

## **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA**

In compliance with Governor Whitmer's Michigan Public Act 254, this meeting was conducted via Zoom Webinar Platform

### **TOWNSHIP BOARD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER –**

Clerk Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

#### **II. ROLL CALL –**

Members Present: Supervisor Kenneth R. Fletcher (Delta Twp), Clerk Mary R. Clark (Delta Twp), Treasurer Dennis R. Fedewa (Cancun, Mexico), Trustee Andrea M. Cascarilla (Delta Twp), Trustee Elizabeth S. Bowen (Delta Twp), Trustee Karen J. Mojica (Delta Twp), and Trustee Fonda J. Brewer (Delta Twp)

Members Absent:

Others Present: Manager Brian T. Reed, Finance Director Courtney Nicholls, Parks, Recreation, and Cemeteries Director Marcus Kirkpatrick, Township Engineer Ernie West, Utilities Director Rick Kane, Department Assistant-Managers Office Mary Worland, Department Assistant-Engineering Department Jennifer Bernardin, Assessing Director Ted Droste, Assistant Manager Alannah Doak, Fire Chief Gregg Ginebaugh, Lt. Ross Tyrell, Community and Economic Development Coordinator Collin Mays, and Library Director Mary Rzepczynski

#### **III. SET/ADJUST AGENDA –**

TRUSTEE BREWER MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

TRUSTEE MOJICA SUPPORTED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED 7-0.

#### **IV. PUBLIC HEARING**

##### **1. Hearing of Assessment for Otis Avenue Streetlight District**

OTIS AVENUE RESIDENTS IN FAVOR OF AND OPPOSED TO THE NEW STREET LIGHT SPOKE TO THE BOARD.

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CLERK CLARK MOVED THAT THE DELTA TOWNSHIP BOARD HEREBY ACCEPT THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL PREPARED BY THE SUPERVISOR FOR THE PROPOSED STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT KNOWN AS OTIS AVENUE STREETLIGHT DISTRICT AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

OTIS AVENUE BETWEEN DIBBLE AND WOODHAVEN

AND DECLARES THAT THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL IS FAIR AND EQUITABLE; AND

FURTHER, THE CLERK IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO ENDORSE THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL WITH THE DATE OF CONFIRMATION; AND

FURTHER, THE CLERK IS DIRECTED TO ADVISE THE UTILITY COMPANY TO INSTALL THE PROPOSED STREET LIGHTING; AND

FURTHER, THE CLERK IS HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY THE PROPERTY OWNERS THAT THOSE WHO APPEALED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT MUST FILE APPEALS WITH THE MICHIGAN TAX TRIBUNAL WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT HEARING.

TRUSTEE MOJICA SUPPORTED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED 7-0.

## **V. PUBLIC COMMENT –**

## **VI. MANAGER’S REPORT –**

- Delta Now magazine arrived in mailboxes last week.
- Board of Review is taking place this week. Only four challenges so far today and tomorrow.
- Received court orders for property maintenance issues. Township will begin cleanups this week.
- Community and Economic Development Coordinator Collin Mays has scheduled a virtual business resource open house for May 6. The event will connect businesses to resources from local, state, and federal agencies.
- Assistant Manager Doak is monitoring the American Rescue Plan Act. It is anticipated to be voted on tomorrow at the earliest by the US House of Representatives. This legislation will likely contain local government dollars.
- We are currently allowed to meet in person with a limit of up to 25 people. It is noted we started this meeting with 29 people. Our office is monitoring any changes to the Open Meetings Act and whether virtual meetings will be extended. The Township can extend virtual meetings by declaring a local state of emergency if needed. Our office is looking at hybrid options for future meetings.

## **VII. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION**

### **1. State of Michigan Redistricting Commission Presentation**

Commissioner Erin Wagner from the State of Michigan Redistricting Commission presented on the new state redistricting processes, changes, and timelines.

## **2. Facilities Study Next Step Presentation**

Township Manager Brian Reed and Township Engineer Ernie West presented the facilities study next steps presentation to the board. A discussion ensued among Board members regarding the information presented. Consensus of the board was to begin moving forward with the replacement of the Sheriff Department Substation.

## **3. Park and Recreation Annual Report**

Parks, Recreation, and Cemeteries Director Marcus Kirkpatrick presented the Parks and Recreation Department 2020 Annual Report to the Board. A brief discussion ensued among Board members and Mr. Kirkpatrick regarding the information provided in the annual report.

There was not a consensus on the board to postpone fireworks to Labor Day. Mr. Kirkpatrick was directed to bring options for fireworks back to the board for a decision at a later date.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Supervisor Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM.

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KENNETH R. FLETCHER, SUPERVISOR

MARY R. CLARK, TOWNSHIP CLERK