

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING **-APPROVED -**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
517-349-1232, Virtual Meeting via Zoom
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020 **6:00 pm.**

PRESENT: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland

ABSENT: Trustee Wisinski

STAFF: Township Manager Walsh, Director of Public Works Perry, Fire Chief Hamel, Police Chief Plaga, Community Planning Director Kieselbach, Information Technology Director Gebes, Parks and Recreation Director Maisner, Finance Director Mattison, Human Resources Director Tithof, Economic Development and Neighborhoods Director Clark, Communications Manager Yates, Principal Planner Menser

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Styka called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor Styka led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Clerk Guthrie called the roll of the Board.

4. PRESENTATIONS

- A. 2021 Township Goals and Action Plan Presentation – Manager Walsh outlined the 2021 Township Goals and Action Plan
- B. 2021 Township Local Road Plan – Director Perry outlined the 2021 Township Local Road Plan
- C. Introduction of New Firefighter - Fire Chief Hamel introduced Firefighter Angela Kohls
- D. Woodward Way Tax Credit from MSHDA – Craig Patterson, Woda Cooper Companies, Inc. outlined the project for Woodward Way and the MSHDA funding they anticipate to receive for the project. Depending on the issuance of permits, they expect to break ground in April. Site construction should be completed within ten months and the total investment is \$11.3 million dollars.

5. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Supervisor Styka opened public remarks at 6:28 pm.

Charles (Chuck) Holman, 1317 Coolidge Road, Vice President DTN Management, spoke in support of Rezoning #20050 (DTN 2013 LLC) and outlined the conditions of the request.

Raji Uppal, 6133 Cottage Drive, Haslett, Principal DTN Management, spoke in support of Rezoning #20050 (DTN 2013 LLC).

David Pierson, McClelland & Anderson LLP, 1142 S. Washington, Lansing, spoke in support of Rezoning #20050 (DTN 2013 LLC).

Charles Cotz, 1282 Silverwood Drive, spoke in opposition to Rezoning #20050 (DTN 2013 LLC) and suggest the parcel be placed into the land bank.

Supervisor Styka closed public remarks at 6:42 pm.

6. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT

Manager Walsh reported

- Deer Management Program – 149 deer have been harvested; the Township has approval to expand the program in January with a specialized culling by the Police Department; the program goal is 300
- Marketplace on the Green received a design award from MParks
- Ladder Truck – Township is reviewing the agreement with the company prior to completing the purchase
- Citizen Survey – it has been three years since the last survey; he asked the Board to consider how to proceed with this project
- Working with Finance Department on the payroll reimbursement for the public safety equipment through the Treasury Department through CARES; he thanked Trustee Opsommer, Chief Hamel and Director Mattison for their work on this request
- Annual Report will be available on January 29
- Reopening of facilities – a hybrid approach to reopening is in place; a greeter is available at the door to direct the residents who are entering the Township Building; if a resident requires assistance, the resident is directed into the Town Hall Room where the resident will be met by an employee; masks are required; employees have their temperatures taken upon entrance for the work day; he thanked staff for setting up the interaction places in the Town Hall Room
- Director Perry has been nominated for the top assistant manager position for the State of Michigan; he is one of two finalists
- Through the Parks and Recreation Department, the Township has received an acknowledgement of the \$127,500 acquisition grant award from the DNR toward the purchase of the property on Okemos Road; this development will assist with the MSU/Lake Lansing pathway connector project.

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Treasurer Deschaine

- Attended the EDC meeting on December 3; received an update from the Meridian Mall
- Tax notices were mailed out to residents and/or mortgage companies on November 30
- Thanked the public for dropping off tax payments and having their receipt mailed to them; resident traffic for tax payments is down 95%; the residents who come in are directed into the Town Hall Room and are greeted by an employee to process their payment

Clerk Guthrie

- An Election Audit will be performed on December 9 on Precinct 6; this is a standard practice after than election
- Attending Elected Officials Training on December 9

Trustee Jackson

- Attend the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission Traffic Meeting on December 1 sponsored by MDOT
- Attended LEAP Board Meeting on December 8; received a report on their 2020 successes and reviewed the economic outlook for 2021 and 2022

Trustee Opsommer

- The CATA Board approved the advertising policy; the next step will be to reach out to jurisdictions on their right-of-way signage requirements and work with those jurisdictions to adopt changes to their sign ordinances if necessary

8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Treasurer Deschaine moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

Trustee Jackson left the meeting due to technical difficulties.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor Styka reviewed the consent agenda.

Trustee Opsommer moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

A. Communications

Trustee Opsommer moved that the communications be received and placed on file and any communications not already assigned for disposition be referred to the Township Manager or Supervisor for follow-up. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

B. Approval of Minutes – November 17, 2020 Virtual Regular Meeting

Trustee Opsommer moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the October 20, 2020 Virtual Regular Meeting, as submitted. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

C. Bills

Trustee Opsommer moved to approve that the Township Board approve the Manager’s Bills as follows: Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine

Common Cash		\$	503,211.41
Public Works		\$	600,745.29
Trust & Agency		\$	<u>1,758.91</u>
	Total Checks	\$	<u>1,105,715.61</u>
Credit Card Transactions		\$	9,955.45
11/11/2020-12/2/2020			
	Total Purchases	\$	<u>1,115,671.06</u>
ACH Payments		\$	<u>796,720.36</u>

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

D. 2021 Proposed Non-Union Wage Schedule

Trustee Opsommer moved to approve the 2021 Non-Union Wage Schedule, with a 2% wage adjustment, as presented. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

10. QUESTIONS FOR THE ATTORNEY – NONE

Supervisor Styka stated he has reviewed the option of continuing to meet virtually with the attorney and with the provisions in the new law, he plans to continue meeting virtually after the first of the year.

11. HEARINGS

A. Commercial Planned Unit Development #20-13024 (Meridian Mall Limited Partnership)

Principal Planner Menser outlined Commercial Planned Unit Development #20-13024 (Meridian Mall Limited Partnership).

Supervisor Styka called the public hearing to order at 6:57 pm.

Bill McConnell, 4376 Manitou Drive, Okemos, voiced concern about the proposed bankruptcy of the Meridian Mall and installing the proposed bank in the green space in front of the Mall. He stated this project does not meet the shared vision for the proposed corridor development.

David Neuhoff, 212 Shadyridge Lane, Chattanooga, TN, applicant, spoke on behalf of the project. They are trying to add commerce along Grand River and redevelop the property.

Jeff Kyes, KEBS Inc., 2116 Haslett Road, Haslett, stated this redevelopment project was discussed during the Marketplace on the Green project. They have met with parties on the proposal and he would be available for questions.

Supervisor Styka closed the public hearing at 7:05 pm.

12. ACTION ITEMS

A. 1. Board and Commission Re-Appointments and Appointments

Trustee Opsommer moved to adopt Supervisor Styka's recommended appointments and re-appointments as presented on Agenda Item #12A. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

Discussion:

- Volunteers were thanked for serving on the boards and commissions and for accepting appointments to openings on boards and commissions

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

Discussion:

- Manager Walsh stated the Township was not able to honor the 120 volunteers this year and staff suggested to give out a mask with the Township logo on it. He thanked Communications Manager Yates and the Communications Department for working on this project and Police Chief Plaga offer to have each mask delivered to the volunteers

2. Board and Commission Appointments

Discussion:

- Suggested this topic be tabled until the first meeting in January
- Asked if everyone has offered input on the appointments

Trustee Opsommer moved to table this item. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Jackson returned to the meeting

B. 4th Quarter Budget Amendments

Director Mattison outlined the 4th Quarter Budget Amendments.

Manager Walsh stated the Fund Balance at December 31, 2020 of \$8,404,229 includes \$700,000 assigned or earmarked for the Meridian Redevelopment Fund. This would leave a Fund Balance unassigned of approximately \$7.7 million.

Treasurer Deschaine moved to approve the 4th Quarter 2020 Budget Amendments with an increase in budgeted Fund Balance for the General Fund in the Amount of \$133,500 which projects a use of Fund Balance of \$2,088,190. Based on 2019 results, the projected Fund Balance at December 31, 2020 will be \$8,404,229. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

Discussion:

- The increase in legal fees are due to labor issues, tax appeals, Walnut Hills demolition issue, Brownfield issues, etc.
- Did use some of the Fund Balance to fill in with COVID Business Grants and suggested the Board may want to look at offering again once the new round of grants have been awarded
- With respect to the payroll adjustment to the public safety lines was due to staffing levels; both departments are actively recruiting and a couple of new hires will be on board soon

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

C. Loan Transfer from General Fund to Parks Fund

Director Maisner outlined the short-term loan from the General Fund to the Park Millage.

Director Mattison reported \$150,000 of the grant reimbursement funds were received today. This is a short-term loan because of a timing issue. This will avoid a deficit at the end of the year.

Treasurer Deschaine move to transfer up to \$700,000 to the Park Millage Fund from the General Fund to cover a temporary budget shortfall in 2020 due to delayed grant reimbursements totally \$522,500 and additional expenses associated with construction of

Marketplace on the Green, these funds will be returned to the General Fund in the First Quarter of 2021. Seconded by Trustee Jackson

Discussion:

- Park Commission, Director Maisner and staff were thanked for applying and receiving the grants that assisted with stretching the Park Millage funds
- Thanked residents for passing the Park Millage to allow for these park developments

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine,

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

D. 2021 Township Goals and Action Plan

Trustee Sundland move to adopt the attached 2021 Meridian Township Action Plan. Seconded by Trustee Jackson

Discussion:

- These are important, thoughtful, meaningful, and measureable goals
- There are new goals to find ways to expand broadband in the Township and upgrade and redesign of the communication portal
- Summarized the Sustainability Plan goal of 100% renewable energy use for Township facilities by 2035

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

E. 2020 Township Manager Performance Review

Supervisor Styka summarized the performance review for Township Manager Walsh.

Treasurer Deschaine move to approve the 2020 Township Manager's performance review as presented. The review document shall be forwarded to the Human Resource Office for proper filing. Seconded by Trustee Jackson

Discussion:

- Appreciate Manager Walsh's work through this Pandemic
- Appreciate how Manager Walsh can illustrate how the Township ranks compared to other communities in the State

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustee Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Jackson, Opsommer

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

Manager Walsh thanked his team for their work and leadership in the community.

F. Township Manager Employment Agreement

Trustee Opsommer move to approve extending the Township Manager's contract as presented on Tuesday evening. Seconded by Trustee Sundland

Discussion:

- Section F, vacation 15 days, is this self-reported; Manager Walsh replied he does report the days he takes to HR and was able to go to Florida twice before Pandemic
- Referred to page 2, item #3B, Other Activities, sentence " The Township Board acknowledges that Township Manager is authorized to conduct up to ten managerial searches per year"

Trustee Opsommer moved to remove the number ten, make it unlimited, but still require the Township Manager to report to the Township Supervisor. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

Discussion:

- This item has been amended in the past; Manager Walsh has been available at all times; he does not use all of his vacation time; it is a great service for other communities around the State

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

Motion on contract with amendment:

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

Manager Walsh thanked the Board for their trust in making the amendment but plan to remain at ten managerial searches per year.

13. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Commercial Planned Unit Development #20-13034 (Meridian Mall Limited Partnership)
Associate Planner Menser outlined the proposed project.

Discussion:

- When asked if the request was for three drive through lanes without a by-pass lane. Principal Planner Menser replied the applicant was asking for a waiver of the by-pass lane. Mr. Kyes

stated this it was not a typical bank set up. A visitor entering from the east would drive around the building to get into the drive through lane. Entering from the west side, a visitor would enter directly into the drive through lane or park to the side to enter the building.

- When asked if CBL/Mall Management had spoken with Macy's about their parking agreement or possible locations of surface parking for this project, Mr. Kyes replied he was unsure but it is difficult to work through Macy's management. Mr. Neuhoff stated they had spoken with Marcy's about previous projects and had thought about developing on the west side of the driveway but are unable to because of the soils. They are looking at difference scenarios and uses for the Mall but feel the bank on the front parcel would have a minimal impact. They will continue to work through the parking with the anchor stores.
- Concerned with the limited green space on the Marsh/Grand River Avenue corner and does not agree with adding more impervious surface; the Mall site ran into these same issues with the development of Marketplace on the Green; this proposal is opposite to what is referenced in the Corridor Plan and Master Plan for the Township; like to see something that will sustain and drive traffic into the mall; like to see more green space around the Mall.
- Mr. Neuhoff stated there will be opportunities over time to redevelop this site but does not want to put the bank in a position where it would inhibit future developments. It does look like there is a lot of parking but it is the goal to bring in more green space and walkability. They are developing a new sidewalk from Grand River to the ring road and adding benches and bike racks. He does not believe this 1.5-acre development will affect the front of the site.
- If you look at how the Twelve Oaks Mall site was developed and is surrounded by a hotel and restaurants, the Meridian Mall site has much more impervious surface and less green space.
- When the land swap occurred during the Marketplace on the Green project, the impervious surface was at the top of its threshold and the swap brought the ratio down.
- Acknowledge the need to find ways to save the Mall; it is part of the tax base; the Corridor Improvement Authority did endorse this proposal to help the Mall although the greenspace issue was raised.
- The applicant was asked to have a formal discussion with Macy's before the Board reviews this proposal further and the applicant may also need to discuss these issues with the bank.

Board consensus to place this item on a future Board meeting agenda.

- B. Rezoning #20050 (DTN 2013 LLC) rezone 31.63 acres east of Central Park Drive and north of Grand River Avenue from RA (Single Family-Medium Density) to RD (Multiple Family-maximum eight units per acre).

Associate Planner Menser outlined the proposed project.

Discussion:

- When asked about increasing the 85 foot buffer along Powell Road and include a forestry plan to create the rural beauty road feel; more than just a berm and a few Raji Uppal stated he supports installing a buffer. They plan to keep the east portion of the property at low density and develop single-family homes along Powell Road for a transition. For the project to be successful, need to have 200 apartment or rental homes with single-family houses, town houses and condominiums. It is tight because of the wetlands and there may be some additional requests made in order to create the buffer. Jeff Kyes stated the new lay out creates a 100 foot setback from the centerline of Powell Road and would create at least a 50 foot buffer from the road right-of-way. With respect to plantings, he will defer to a landscape architect but agrees with a reforesting of the area.

- When asked how many K-12 pupils do you anticipate moving into this development, Mr. Uppal stated with mixed use communities a wide variety of groups with incomes of \$8,000 a month. Based on his other developments, he believes 70-75 kids.
- When asked the density of the eastern 16 acres along Powell Road, Jeff Kyes stated 3 to 4 units per acre is planned for single-family houses. Mr. Uppal stated that is why they are developing single family along Powell Road. When it was suggested that density be lowered and eliminate the six and four-plex units in the center, Mr. Uppal stated they are willing to making the area in the center single family.
- Mr. Kieselbach outlined the LaFontaine dealership site and stated development on this site had stopped.
- Concern was raised on clear cutting, suggested reforestation on the site and further lowering the density and void labeling renters as transitory because people choose to rent instead of purchasing.
- This is a rezoning request not the actual plan for the site and should review the points from the Planning Commission.
- Support mix housing types but opposed to rezoning from RA to RD and there was another way to provide mixed use without this high-density request; RD allows for eight units per acre but the request is for six units per acre.
- Mr. Uppal stated they are asking for conditional zoning to avoid the high-density request of up to eight units per acre.
- Would like to know what the current housing and rental stock is; support the project but concerned about it in this location; walked the site and appreciated the habitat in this area
- When asked why the Township needs this type of rental property in the Township, Chuck Holman stated previously families would have purchased a home but now with the different family make-ups, families who normally would buy are renting. This is not an apartment project and it is not intended to be. This project could be a transition between commercial and residential developments. Although this zoning is on Master Plan, he will try to bring back a more specific plan for the next meeting.
- Suggested the voluntary conditions contain stronger language that no fewer than 25 single-family dwelling units are on the eastern portion of the property.
- Although Powell Road is not a natural beauty road, it is listed in the Greenspace Plan with an intent of preserving and enhancing the scenic road corridor on Powell Road. The land in question has not been determined as a priority in the future but would like to continue the conversation on it
- Reference the Newton Point area that came with four different regions that were part of a rezoning in the mid-2000s and suggested the applicant might want to look at that rezoning because there are two very distinct areas as part of this request. This plan does not seem to fit this area as it is currently proposed and would like to discuss it further

Board consensus to place this item on a future Board meeting agenda.

C. Proposed Zoning Amendment for Car Dealerships

Trustee Opsommer outlined the research on the previous zoning amendment and outlined the proposed zoning amendment for Car Dealerships. He suggested special care be taken when dealing with auto care/auto dealership requests, their site plans and special use permit (SUP) review. He also suggested these types of requests come before the Township Board for approval just like a commercial development request would.

Discussion:

- When asked how this zoning amendment would allow the Board to impact an issue such as impervious surface coverage through the SUP review process, Trustee Opsommer replied unlike a rezoning which has stricter standards under state law, the Board can deny a special use permit legally and not face legal ramifications for any reason. Director Kieselbach stated the special use permit is a discretionary decision. It is intended to allow those unique uses in a zoning district where they may be appropriate in one location but not appropriate in another location. The review of those projects make sure it is appropriate and conditions associated with the approval goes with the property. In the C-2 Zoning District, a new car dealerships is allowed by special use permit subject to Planning Commission approval. In C-3 Zoning District, new and used car dealerships are by right. This proposed zoning amendment would give the Board an opportunity to approve the special use permit whether the car dealership is in the C-2 or C-3 Zoning Districts. Trustee Opsommer stated he wanted to make this proposed zoning amendment to be more flexible and want to protect residential areas close to these zoning districts.
- Supports the proposed zoning amendment and agrees with being proactive with respect to development issues and this proposal will make sure issues such as the ones on the LaFontaine site do not occur in the future.
- This can be initiated by the Township Board and referred back to the Planning Commission for their consideration. The suggestion was made to place on the next agenda for the referral or the Board can suspends its rules and make the referral this evening.

Board consensus to place this item on a future Board meeting agenda.

D. Township Contracts with Community Groups

Director Mattison stated legal counsel and the auditor had recommended the Board adopt a formal contact with community groups that the Board designates public funds to. She is recommending three groups for this evening: Community Gardens, Community Band and Meals on Wheels and the Board has budgeted amounts to these groups for 2021.

Discussion:

- When asked if a representative had been contact at Meals on Wheels to see if they needed additional funding due to the Pandemic, Director Mattison replied she had been in contact with the representative who stated they would like to ask for an increase from \$4,000 to \$5,000 for 2021 because the cost of the meals have gone up.
- Manager Walsh stated approximately five years ago the Board doubled the contribution from \$2,000 to \$4,000.
- It was the consensus of the Board to increase Meals on Wheels to \$5,000
- When asked if the agreements need to be approved this evening, Manager Walsh stated he would recommend moving ahead with the decision this evening so that confirmation letters can be sent out before the first of the year.

Trustee Opsommer moved to suspend the rules so that Agenda Item #13D can be taken up for consideration this evening. Seconded by Trustee Sundland.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Opsommer moved to approve the contracts providing for public benefit to Community Gardens in the amount of \$5,000; Community Band in the amount of \$1,700 and Meals on Wheels in the amount of \$5,000. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

Discussion:

- When asked if there are any other groups the Township makes yearly contributions to, Manager Walsh stated the Lake Lansing Watershed is being reviewed by counsel because they receive \$10,000.
- When asked if Meals on Wheels turns people away if they hit the \$5,000 threshold, Director Mattison replied no. The Board is committing to assistance with providing additional funds for the township residents and Meals on Wheels does receive funding from other sources.
- When asked why the need for a formal agreement, Manager Walsh replied this topic was discussed and recommended by the auditor and legal counsel confirmed it was needed.
- It was suggested this contract should be used for other group such as for the Chinese New Year event.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Guthrie

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 6-0

14. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Styka Opened Public Remarks at 9:48 pm.

None

Supervisor Styka Closed Public Remarks at 9:49 pm.

15. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Treasurer Deschaine reminded the residents that the tax bills have been mailed. The Township Building is closed on December 24, 25, and 31 and January 1. He suggested everyone be safe during this holiday period.

Trustee Jackson wished everyone a joyful holiday and to stay safe and well.

Trustee Opsommer thanked Deputy Manager Perry, Manager Walsh and staff for completed the post 2021 road projects and protecting the 147 miles of Township roads.

Clerk Guthrie thanked Michelle Prinz and Robin Faust for their work on preparing and updating the board and commission list. Supervisor Styka also thanked the ladies for their work on this project.

Manager Walsh stated the only way to get through this Pandemic is with positivity such as Abby Tithof coming on board. The Board has been going through some very difficult issues and he has been texted about how the Board has been performing very cordially and with professional approach. He appreciated how well the Board interacted this evening. Supervisor Styka thanked Manager Walsh for the comments and agreed with his statements.

16. CLOSED SESSION - NONE

17. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Opsommer moved to adjourn. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 6-0.

Supervisor Styka adjourned the meeting at 9:55 pm.

RONALD J. STYKA,
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

DEBORAH GUTHRIE,
TOWNSHIP CLERK