

HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the March 12, 2024
Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order -Pledge to the Flag: 6:30 pm by Supervisor Jim Brown

Roll Call: Supervisor J. Brown, Clerk A. Mennell, Treasurer J. Phillips. Trustees, D. Olson, W. Wetzel, S. Savage, absent J Partridge

Also Present: 8 guests

Public Comment

Amber on petition for Citizens for local choice to put on the Nov. ballot.

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Trustee Wetzel to accept the agenda seconded by Trustee Olson, to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 regular meeting and other consent agenda items. Motion carried.

County Commissioner – R. Teunessen

Spoke on Solar seminar, COA and BC Transit millage renewal for operation use only, COA moving forward on new building with receipt of funds from private donations and funds from County.

Previous Business

1. Automatic door openers – tabled

New Business:

1. 2023 audit – motion by Wetzel, seconded by Savage to approve the quotes from Walker, Fluke and Sheldon for the preparation of the 2023 audit and accompanying form F-65. Motion approved 7 ayes, 0 nays.
2. Quotes received from 3 firms for replacement of camera recording system. Motion by Partridge, seconded by Mennell to approve the quote from Lock Master Security system. Motion approved 7 ayes, 0 nays
3. Discussion on improving the partition system in the main office, information received on what others have done. Approved joining MIDEAL to receive discounted price on future dealing for supplies and other purchases.
4. Discussion on BIRCH meeting and continuing with BIRCH and paying 1.25 mills of the Townships taxable value to BIRCH for the equipment fund for the next three years of the BIRCH contract with the township. Motion by Wetzel and seconded by Savage to pay the 1.25 mills for the three years and agree to stay with BIRCH for remainder of contract. Motion approved 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Wetzel and seconded by Trustee Olson to approve the warrants totaling \$146,636.40. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Dept. Reports:

****Treasurer’s Report:** Motion by Trustee Partridge with second by Trustee Savage to accept the Treasurers report as presented. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**** Clerk’s Report:** spoke on the election turnout, election reimbursement and software needs.

****Supervisor Report –** checking into collection of just tin cans with assistance of Padnos.

Public Comments –

Bruce S. on lack of recycling in township, Mayer about ability to move cameras,

Board member comments

Olson on turnout in Kalamazoo where he was inspector (poor), speed limit on S curve on Nashville Rd, Partridge on knock boxes on businesses, possible electric substation in Carlton Township, Mennell on election workers, Savage on letter.

Adjourn: Motion by Trustee Wetzel, seconded by Treasurer Phillips to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote, all ayes.

Meeting adjourned 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk

Approved _____ Clerk

Date _____