

REGULAR MEETING
August 24, 2021

PERE MARQUETTE CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
held at 1699 S. Pere Marquette Highway, Ludington MI 49431

Board members present: Supervisor Gerald Bleau; Clerk Rachele Enbody; Treasurer Karie Bleau;
Trustees: Andrew Kmetz, James Nordlund, Sr., Henry Rasmussen, and Ronald Soberalski.

Also present: One guest.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by the Supervisor. Invocation was given by Nordlund; Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Moved** by K. Bleau, seconded by Soberalski to approve the August 10, 2021 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **Moved** by Nordlund, seconded by Kmetz to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment was held.

NEW BUSINESS: A. **Consider Request for Price Adjustment – Republic Services** – Board members reviewed the request for price adjustment. The adjustment is due to an increase in the number of residential properties within the township. The house count number has increased by 20 units since 2016. The adjustment request increases the monthly billing by \$264.05 and will begin with the September 1, 2021 billing. The annual rate increases of 2.5% will still apply for the duration of the Agreement.

Moved by Kmetz, seconded by K. Bleau to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Agreement to Extend Solid Waste Collection & Recycling Agreement on behalf of the township.

Motion carried.

B. **Consider Supplemental Agreement for Automatic Mutual Aid** – Board members reviewed the Supplemental Agreement for Automatic Mutual Aid. The agreement between Pere Marquette Charter Township and the City of Ludington provides for mutual aid to allow for the automatic response of the closest available resources via emergency dispatch for Crosswinds Estates and Epworth Heights. The term of the agreement is ten years.

Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Soberalski to approve the Supplemental Agreement for Automatic Mutual Aid and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of the township.

Motion carried.

C. **Consider Road Project** – Board members reviewed a Local Road Improvement Agreement from the Mason County Road Commission for the paving of North Meyers Road. This would be an additional 2021 project. The township would partner with Amber Township to share in the cost of the portion in Amber Township, with reimbursement to come from Amber Township's 2022 budget. There would be a cost savings with completing the project in 2021 as paving costs are expected to increase next year.

Moved by Nordlund, seconded by Rasmussen to approve the Meyers Road paving project, contingent upon approval of the cost share from Amber Township, for a total estimated cost of \$136,710.00, with Pere Marquette Township's portion to be \$97,595.75 and Amber Township's portion to be \$39,114.25.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: **Moved** by G. Bleau, seconded by Kmetz to move into Committee of the Whole at 5:21 p.m. Motion carried.

Various topics discussed with no action taken.

A. Presentation - JMB Associates – J. Bleau reviewed the PM Community Access Site Project Status / Financing Update memo from Jim Bernier. Jim Bernier will attend the October meeting to review the grant and funding development plan.

B. Budget Workshop – The 2022-2024 department budget requests were presented. G. Bleau requested that each board member complete a compensation worksheet for elected officials. The compensation information will be reviewed during a special meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 in advance of the regular board meeting.

Moved by Nordlund, seconded by G. Bleau to return to regular session at 6:01 p.m. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by the Supervisor at 6:02 p.m.

Rachelle D. Enbody, MiPMC, CMC Township Clerk

Gerald A. Bleau, Township Supervisor

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