

Buchanan Charter Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting June 30, 2022
Held at Buchanan Charter Township Hall

CALL TO ORDER

The regular June 30, 2022, meeting of the Buchanan Charter Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Malinda Cole-Crocker at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Malinda Cole-Crocker, Supervisor; Wendi Heyliger, Clerk; Rachel Plank, Treasurer; Brad Huebner, Trustee

Members Absent: Lynn Ferris, Trustee

Others Present: Fire Chief Tim Jesswein, Paul Jancha, Mike Balos, Jerie Crouch, Brian Scribner, Josh Kay, Jerry DiPietro, T.J. Sater, Nathan Effa

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the May 19, 2022 regular meeting approved as presented.

ADDITIONS / CHANGES TO AGENDA

Move Brian Scribner, SMCAS to top

Add water rate increase to unfinished business

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Jancha, running for Judge, introduced himself and asked for votes in upcoming elections.

CORRESPONDENCE - Drain Commissioner- 2022 Drain Maintenance Schedule of current work orders.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Plank, second by Huebner to approve General Fund- Payment of Bills Check #12552-12585 Totaling \$58,893.59. Fire Fund – Payment of Bills Check #7789-7803 Totaling \$21,033.35 and Mud Lake Bog Fund check #1182 totaling \$135.00.

Ayes: Plank, Heyliger, Huebner, Cole-Crocker

Nays:

Absent: Ferris

Abstain:

Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

REPORTS-

Sherriff's Report- on file

SEBCLA-Reported by Cole-Crocker

SMCAS- on file

JWSB- on file, Plank will place on next meeting agenda for rate increase according to inflation

Fire- Reported by Jesswein51 calls to date for 2022. Burn ban in effect until further notice. New hire Nathan Effa. The 2 cadets graduated. 5 years water permit needs renewed, and working with DEQ.

NATS- Ferris - postponed

Planning Commission- on file

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Brian Scribner- SMCAS SAD rate increase request.

Motion by Plank, second by Huebner to approve Resolution #2022-20 Resolution of Intent to Establish Special Assessment District; Tentative Designation of Special Assessment District; Notice of Public Hearing.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Huebner, Cole-Crocker, Plank, Heyliger

Nays:

Absent: Ferris

Abstains:

Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

Accept/Sign School Collection Agreement.

Motion by Plank, second by Huebner to approve School Collection Agreement for all 3 schools in our Jurisdiction.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Heyliger, Huebner, Cole-Crocker, Plank,

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Nays:

Absent: Ferris

Abstains:

Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

Construction Board of Appeals- *tabled for further discussion.*

Millage Discussion/Buchanan Charter- *Plank wanted thoughts about millage rates as a new Charter Township. No vote at this time needed.*

Resolution #2022-19

Motion by Plank, second by Huebner to approve Resolution #2022-20 Refusal of ownership, maintenance, and responsibilities of drinking water supply for Riverside Estates

Motion by Plank, second by Heyliger to approve Resolution #2022-20 Refusal of ownership, maintenance and responsibilities of drinking water supply for Riverside Estates

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Plank, Heyliger, Huebner, Cole-Crocker,

Nays:

Absent: Ferris

Abstains:

Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

Berrien County Foreclosed Property *Plank asked board if they are interested in the properties in tax sale coming up. No interest from any member. No Vote needed.*

Water Sewer Tap in Fees

Motion by Heyliger, second by Huebner to approve increase of water/sewer tap in fees as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Huebner, Cole-Crocker, Plank, Heyliger

Nays:

Absent: Ferris

Abstains:

Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

Land Division Fees

Motion by Plank, second by Heyliger to approve rate increase of Land Division Fees from \$100 per filing to \$100 per split.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Heyliger, Ferris, Huebner, Cole-Crocker, Plank

Nays:

Absent:

Abstains:

Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

Fire Department – *Motion by Ferris, second by Huebner to approve new hire Nathan Effa to Buchanan Fire Department.*

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Heyliger, Huebner, Cole-Crocker, Plank,

Nays:

Absent: Ferris

Abstains:

Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

Announcements

July will have a resolution of rate increase for water rates according to inflation.

Taxes come out Monday.

Absentee ballots currently being mailed out.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

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Wendi Heyliger, Clerk

Malinda Cole-Crocker, Supervisor