

**HOWELL TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

3525 Byron Road Howell, MI 48855
September 12, 2022, 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

	Supervisor
Jean Graham	Clerk
Jonathan Hohenstein	Treasurer
Matthew Counts	Trustee
	Trustee
Michael Newstead	Trustee
Jeff Smith	Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mike Coddington

Harold Melton

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Michelle Spisz, Tim Boal.

Treasurer Hohenstein called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The roll was called.

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

September 12, 2022

MOTION by COUNTS, **SECOND** by NEWSTEAD, “**TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AS AMENDED.**” Discussion followed. Motion carried.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING – APPLICATION FOR IFT MS ULTRASONIC TECHNOLOGY LLC

Clerk Graham opened the public meeting. A roll call vote was taken: Smith – Y, Hohenstein – Y, Graham – Y, Newstead – Y, Counts – Y. Clerk Graham discussed the application in detail and stated it is no longer valid due to rules and regulations. This application should have been presented one year ago and is no longer valid.

MOTION by Graham, **SECOND** by Counts, “**TO DENY THE APPLICATION FOR IFT MS ULTRASONIC TECHNOLOGY LLC.**” A roll call vote was taken: Hohenstein - Y, Counts - Y, Graham – Y, Newstead - Y, Smith - Y. Discussion followed. Motion carried. **MOTION** by Graham, **SECOND** by Counts, “**TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.**” Discussion followed. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES:

August 8, 2022,

MOTION by Counts, **SECOND** by Newstead, “**TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 8, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS AMENDED.**” Discussion followed. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Michelle Spisz introduced herself to the Board and stated she is running for County Commissioner and invited Board members to the Military Appreciation Day at Fowlerville High School on September 23, 2022.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Remaining Capacity within Sanitary System Pump Station 75 and 76
Treasurer Hohenstein discussed in detail calculations for pump stations and explained the need for information and clarification on REU's with regards to pump stations 75 & 76.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution 09.22.515 Hazard Mitigation Plan
Clerk Graham explained the Hazard Mitigation Plan has expired and this is the renewal. **MOTION** by Counts, **SECOND** by Smith, **"TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 09.22.515 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AS PRESENTED."** A roll call vote was taken: Smith – Y, Counts – Y, Newstead – Y, Graham - Y, Hohenstein- Y. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION MOTIONS:

MOTION by Smith, **SECOND** by Counts. **"TO MOVE INTO A CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(h) TO DISCUSS A CONFIDENTIAL WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION REGARDING THE TOWNSHIP'S SALE OF VACANT LAND ON BURKHART ROAD."** A roll call vote was taken: Hohenstein – Y, Smith – Y, Counts – Y, Newstead – Y, Graham – Y. Motion Carried.

MOTION by Smith, **SECOND** by Newstead. **"TO MOVE INTO A CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(h) TO DISCUSS A CONFIDENTIAL WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION REGARDING THE REQUEST MADE BY BURKHART RIDGE TO REDUCE REUS."** A roll call vote was taken: Counts – Y, Graham – Y, Smith – Y, Hohenstein – Y, Newstead - Y. Motion Carried.

MOTION by Smith, **SECOND** by Counts. **"TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION, THAT IF DISCUSSED IN OPEN SESSION WOULD CAUSE A FINANCIAL DETRIMENT TO THE TOWNSHIP, REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION IN E.D. MICHIGAN FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT IN OAKLAND TACTICAL SUPPLY, LLC V HOWELL TOWNSHIP, CASE NO. 18-13443.** A roll call vote was taken: Graham – Y, Newstead – Y, Hohenstein – Y, Counts – Y, Smith - Y. Motion Carried.

MOTION by Counts, **SECOND** by Newstead, **TO ENTER BACK INTO OPEN SESSION."** Motion Carried.

REPORTS:

A. SUPERVISOR:

There was no report.

B. TREASURER:

Treasurer Hohenstein noted his department is currently collecting summer taxes that are due by September 14, 2022.

C. CLERK:

Elections – Clerk Graham indicated we are preparing for the November General Election and are currently receiving political mailings that is causing additional work in the Clerk's office.

D. ZONING:

(See Zoning Administrator Daus's prepared written report.)

E. ASSESSING:

(See Assessor Kilpela's prepared written report.)

F. Fire Authority:

There was no report.

G. MHOG:

(Trustee Counts gave an update on the recent MHOG meeting.)

H. PLANNING COMMISSION:

No meeting in August.

I. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (ZBA)

No meeting in August.

J. WWTP:

Treasurer Hohenstein gave an update on WWTP and noted an approval needed for new network services. **MOTION** by Counts, **SECOND** by Graham, **"TO APPROVE, IF NEEDED, NEW NETWORK SERVICES FOR WWTP AS PRESENTED."** Discussion followed. Motion Carried.

K. HAPRA

(See prepared written report by Graham.)

L. PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

Treasurer Hohenstein discussed the purchase change agreement and requested board approval as presented. Discussion followed.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

There were no public comments.

DISBURSEMENTS: REGULAR AND CHECK REGISTER:

MOTION by Counts, **SECOND** by Newstead, **"TO APPROVE THE REGULAR DISBURSEMENTS AS PRESENTED, ALSO ANY NORMAL AND CUSTOMARY PAYMENTS FOR THE MONTH."** Discussion followed. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Newstead, **SECOND** by Counts, **"TO ADJOURN."** Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

As Presented: _____

As Amended: _____


As Corrected: _____

Dated: _____ October 3, 2022 _____



Jean Graham

Howell Township Clerk


Mike Coddington
Howell Township Supervisor


Angela Guillen
Recording Secretary