



Montrose Charter Township
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Montrose Township Board Meeting

DATE: June 20, 2023

TIME: 6 p.m.

The meeting began with The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call: Present – Coetta Adams, Steve Schlicht, Mary Quast, Tom Tithof, Gary Keeler, Gerald Cole, Sam Spence. All Present

Agenda Approval:

A **Motion** was made by Tom Tithof to approve the agenda. Support for the motion was given by Gary Keeler. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

Public Hearing on DNR Sparks Grant for Barber Park

Public Hearing Citizen Comments:

Kyle Gibbs- 12121 Glenmark Trail- spoke regarding handicap accessible playground equipment.

Public hearing for the DNR Sparks Grant closed 6:02pm.

Presentation: Veterans Bell Signage: Tim Stewart, the Chairman of the Veterans Bell Memorial requested approval from the board to place the sign on township property.

Citizens Comments: None

Minutes: Supervisor Coetta Adams asked if there were any corrections or questions regarding the June 13, 2023 Special Board Meeting minutes. None was mentioned.

A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2023 Board Meeting. Support for the motion was given by Gary Keeler. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Mary Quast noticed some errors in the reports and presented corrected reports. She also shared that of all the taxes collected here we use to keep 16%, we are now able to keep 20% of the taxes collected in Montrose Township.

Revenue/Expenditure Report: Nothing to Add

Presentation of Bills: Supervisor Coetta Adams presented the bills for approval.

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Coetta Adams – Supervisor **Steve Schlicht** – Clerk **Mary Quast** – Treasurer
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A **Motion** was made by Tom Tithof to pay the bills as presented. Support for the motion was given by Gerald Cole. Roll call – Coetta Adams (yes), Steve Schlicht (yes), Mary Quast (yes), Tom Tithof (yes), Gary Keeler (yes), Coetta Adams (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Sam Spence (yes). Motion passed.

Reports: Brent Run Landfill APM Mosquito Fire Department Police Department
Building Department Senior Center Building and Grounds

All reports are on file with these minutes. Additional comments follow:

Brent Run: Tim Church gave an update on the progress of the new building. The entrance for the driveway was poured today. It will take 3 months to cure. They are looking forward to moving in after the driveway is ready.

Fire Department: The old truck was sold.

Police Department: Chief Jamie Cochran shared that now that school is out the School Resources Officer is the 2nd car on duty for day shift. It helps out with the construction on the bridge, there is one officer on each side so personnel are available quickly if there is an emergency. There was a discussion about the delays and issues of the temporary street lights on Seymour and Vienna.

Building Department: Reports included in packet. There was a discussion

Senior Center: Report included in packet.

Business:

Veterans Bell Signage consideration

Supervisor Coetta Adams recommends the board approves that herself, zoning official, Building and Grounds committee, and the Township Lawyer can determine the sign placement, meets all the township ordinances and all regulatory requirements.

A **Motion** was made by Tom Tithof to accept this recommendation from Supervisor Coetta Adams. Support for the motion was given by Gerald Cole. Vote- All Yes. Motion passed.

Resolution- Local Support for DNR Projects

A **Motion** was made by Tom Tithof to support the Resolution for the Sparks Grant. Support for the Motion was given by Mary Quast. Roll Call - Steve Schlicht (yes), Mary Quast (yes), Tom Tithof (yes), Gary Keeler (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Sam Spence (yes), Coetta Adams (yes). Motion passed.

2nd Reading of Ordinance Amendment 153.01 ET SEQ-003- 2023 Moratorium

A **Motion** was made by Tom Tithof to approve ordinance 153.01 ET SEQ- 003-2023. Roll Call - Mary Quast (yes), Tom Tithof (yes), Gary Keeler (yes), Coetta Adams (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Mark Emmendorfer (yes), Steve Schlicht (yes). Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

Approval of Delinquent Utilities added to Tax Roll.

A **Motion** was made by Gary Keeler to apply these expenses to the summer tax roll. Support for this motion was made by Tom Tithof. Roll Call - Gary Keeler (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Sam Spence (yes), Coetta Adams (yes), Steve Schlicht (yes), Mary Quast (yes), Tom Tithof (yes). Motion Passed.

Expense approval on Master Plan & Ordinance Changes

Supervisor Coetta Adams presented a cost breakdown from Spicers on the different projects we have with them and their cost overruns.

A **Motion** to approve the expenditures was made by Gerald Cole. Support for the motion was made by Mary Quast. Roll Call - Gerald Cole (yes), Mark Emmendorfer (yes), Coetta Adams (yes), Steve Schlicht (yes), Mary Quast (yes), Tom Tithof (yes), Gary Keeler (yes). Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

MML recommendation

MML is recommending that we implement a policy that requires mandatory seat belt use, restricts use of mobile phones and other distractions while using a township vehicle, and also annually takes a course on drivers training. Supervisor Coetta Adams suggest that we agree to implement the policy and then send it to the policy committee.

A **Motion** was made by Tom Tithof to accept this recommended policy from MML and send it to the policy board. Support for the motion was made by Gary Keeler. All yes. Motion passed.

Board Committee Assignments

A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to accept the assignments as presented. Support for the motion was made by Gary Keeler. Vote- All yes.

Citizens Comments

Colleen Brown discussed joint contract with Township and City for waste pickup.

Mark Richard discussed joint contract for waste pickup.

Neil Rankin, City of Montrose Manager discussed joint contract for waste pickup.

Kyle Gibbs contact him with any future projects that Eagle Scouts can work on.

Extended Board Member Comments:

Supervisor Coetta Adams brought to the boards attention the 2024 rate increase for health insurance; Senior Center needs a tent erected at Barber Park on July 17th, 2023 for an event with other local Senior Centers.

Motion was made by Tom Tithof to approve the tent. Support was made by Gary Keeler. Vote- All yes. Motion passed.

Township survey for Sparks Grant is available to get feedback from residents.

Steve Schlicht commended Coetta Adams on the great job she is doing learning the Supervisor Position.

Adjournment:

A **Motion** was made by Coetta Adams to adjourn the meeting. Support for the motion was given by Gary Keeler. Vote - All yes.

The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

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Submitted by:
Steve Schlicht, Clerk

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Mark Emmendorfer, Supervisor

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