

# Montrose Charter Township 11444 N. Seymour Rd, Montrose, MI 48457 Phone (810) 639-2021 Fax (810) 639-3207

# **Montrose Township Board Meeting**

**DATE:** September 19, 2023 **TIME:** 6 p.m.

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

**Roll Call:** Present – Coetta Adams, Steve Schlicht, Karen Jones, Gary Keeler, Gerald Cole, Sam Spence. Absent - Tom Tithof.

#### **Agenda Approval:**

Supervisor Coetta Adams asked that agenda item 11 needs to be removed and add 11a. Resolution 23-005 Early Voting Precinct and 11b. Contract with City to house their early voting. A **Motion** was made by Steve Schlicht to approve the agenda with the changes. Support for the motion was given by Gary Keeler.

## Public Hearing Comments Regarding Senior Center Budget: No Comments

#### **Citizens Comments:**

Karen Galindo 189 S. Genesee St. Montrose- Karen introduced herself and shared about the Pop-Up Clothing Shop.

**Minutes:** Supervisor Coetta Adams asked if there were any corrections or questions regarding the August 15, 2023 meeting minutes. None were mentioned.

A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2023 Board Meeting. Support for the motion was given by Sam Spence. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Nothing to add

Revenue/Expenditure Report: Nothing to add

**Presentation of Bills:** Supervisor Coetta Adams presented the August bills for approval. A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to pay the bills as presented. Support for the motion was given by Sam Spence. Roll call – Coetta Adams (yes), Steve Schlicht (yes), Karen Jones (yes), Gary Keeler (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Sam Spence Motion passed.

Reports: Brent Run Landfill APM Mosquito Fire Department Police Department

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### Building Department Senior Center Building and Grounds

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

**Brent Run:** Tim Church shared that they were busy keeping Vienna Rd clean due to a lot of rain in August. He did a field trip with a homeschool group and extended the invitation to give a tour to anyone that would like to see the landfill up close.

**Fire Department**: nothing to add

Police Department: nothing to add

**Building Department**: Reports included in packet.

**Senior Center:** Report included in packet.

**APM**: Not in attendance

#### **Business:**

#### Senior Center Budget 2023-2024

Supervisor Coetta Adams presented the 2023-2024 Senior Center Budget.

A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to approve the Senior Center Budget. Support for the motion was given by Steve Schlicht. Roll Call - Steve Schlicht (yes), Karen Jones (yes), Gary Keeler (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Sam Spence (yes), Coetta Adams (yes). Motion passed.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of ordinance amendment for the Zoning request at 9415 W. Vienna Rd (2023-006)

A **Motion** was made by Gary Keeler to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Ordinance Amendment for the Zoning Request at 9415 W. Vienna Rd. Support for this motion was given by Gerald Cole. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

## 1st Reading of ordinance amendment for Landfill limitation 2023-007

A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 2023-007. Support for this motion was given by Sam Spence. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

## 1st Reading of ordinance moratorium for dog kennels 2023-008

A **Motion** was made by Gary Keeler to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance moratorium for dog kennels 2023-008. Support for his motion was given by Gerald Cole. Motion passed.

# **Hiring of FANG employee**

Two current employees at FANG are stepping down. It is recommended to hire Douglas Rogers as the property and forfeiture manager. He will fulfill the duties of the employees stepping down.

A **Motion** was made by Steve Schlicht to hire Douglas Rogers as the property and forfeiture manager. Support for this motion was given by Gerald Cole. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

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#### Advertisement for Montrose Community Schools Media program

The renewal of the township advertisement is due. This ad is run during sporting events through Montrose Community Schools Digital Media. The fee is \$500 for the school year 2023-2024. A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to approve the renewal of \$500 for the advertisement to Montrose Schools Digital Media program. Support was given by Sam Spence. Roll Call - Karen Jones (yes), Gary Keeler (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Sam Spence (yes), Coetta Adams (yes), Steve Schlicht (yes). Motion passed.

#### FY 2022 Audit acceptance

A **Motion** was made by Gary Keeler to accept the audit for the year 2022. Support was given by Gerald Cole. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

## Approve correction to Ballot language from August meeting

A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to accept the correction made to the ballot language. Support was given by Steve Schlicht. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

## **Contract Extension with Republic Services for Weekly Waste Collection**

Supervisor Coetta Adams shared an extension is acceptable according to our ordinance. She did reach out to other companies to see where their pricing would come in. The other companies could not compare to what Republic was offering. Supervisor Coetta Adams proposes extending the contract with Republic Services.

A **Motion** was made by Gary Keeler to accept the contract extension with Republic Service. Support was given by Gerald Cole. Roll Call - Gary Keeler (yes), Gerald Cole (yes), Sam Spence (yes), Coetta Adams (yes), Steve Schlicht (yes), Karen Jones (yes). Motion passed.

#### **Use of Senior Center of clothing donation**

Karen Galindo requested the use of the Senior Center as a drop off location to collect clothes for the Neighborhood Pop-Up Clothing Shop once a month.

A **Motion** was made by Gerald Cole to accept her request and allow her to use the Senior Center once a month for clothing drop off. Support for that motion was made by Sam Spence. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

#### 11a. Resolution 23-005 Early Voting Precinct

Clerk, Steve Schlicht discussed adopting this resolution to establish a site to hold the 9 days early voting. Steve Schlicht suggests the early voting site would be here at the Township Hall.

A **Motion** was made to adopt the Resolution accepting the Township Hall at 11444 Seymour Rd as the early voting precinct. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

#### 11b. Contract with City to house their early voting

Clerk, Steve Schlicht explained that this contract is a agreement to combine with the City of Montrose for the 9 day early voting starting in 2024. The State will reimburse 80% of election workers pay if we combine with the city, otherwise they only reimburse 40% of the pay. A **Motion** was made by Gary Keeler that we enter into a contract with the City of Montrose to combine for the 9 days early voting. Support was given by Gerald Cole. Vote - All yes. Motion passed.

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#### **Citizens Comments:**

Sara Lake 7390 Dodge Rd- spoke regarding the dog kennel moratorium.

Jim Coons 9322 Sheridan Rd- spoke asking the board to consider solar protection if old ordinance gets turned down.

Karen Galindo 189 S. Genesee St- Thanked the board for approving the use of the Sr. Center for the clothing drop off.

#### **Extended Board Member Comments:**

Sam Spence thanks Karen Galindo for the things she does for our community.

Gerald Cole thanked Karen Galindo as well.

Supervisor Coetta Adams told Karen Galindo if she ever needs anything

Supervisor Adams shared that the public safety contract was signed by the city at their last board meeting.

Steve Schlicht- There is an election in November and election workers are always needed.

Karen Jones- She has heard great things about the Pop-Up Clothing Shop.

#### **Adjournment:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:38p.m.

Steve Schlicht, Clerk		
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Steven Schlicht, Clerk	Coetta Adams, Supervisor	