Charter Township of Portage
Special Board of Trustees Meeting
April 11, 2024
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The Charter Township of Portage held a Special Board of Trustees Meeting on Thursday, April, 11 2024 at the Township office.

Additions to the agenda: Review and discuss vacation accrual to be carried over to the new year.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Bruce Petersen at 3:00 PM

In attendance were Supervisor Bruce Petersen, Clerk Amy Skewes and Trustees Peggy Anderson, Bill Bingham, and John Ollila as stated by roll call. Absent: Bill Fink and Treasurer, Betsy Smith

Discussion Items:

- 1. Letters to homeowners about avoiding problems with grinder pumps in new system. Bruce will get the letter; Anderson will copy and mail to all new sewer customers.
- 2. Letters to customers not yet hooked up to new sewer system. Ollila made a motion to levy a \$100.00 fee (which includes the base fee) to all residents who do not connect by 5/31/24, seconded by Bingham. Motion was carried by a roll call vote: Aye: Anderson, Bingham, Ollila, Petersen, Skewes. Nay: none
- 3. We will send out a letter to all water/sewer residents regarding sump pumps.

 A motion was made by Bingham to update the ordinance and eliminate the rate section, seconded by Anderson. Motion was carried by a roll call vote: Aye: Anderson, Bingham, Ollila, Petersen, Skewes. Nay: none
- 4. Proposed final ARPA money expenditures. Discussed final ARPA expenditures, bring ideas to the 4/25/24 meeting.
- 5. Resolution to Borrow Money for 2024 Road Construction. A motion was made by Petersen to approve the resolution to borrow money for road construction on Gaffney Road and Denton Road, seconded by Ollila. Motion was carried by a roll call vote: Aye: Anderson, Bingham, Ollila, Petersen, Skewes. Nay: none
- 6. A special meeting has been scheduled for April 25, 2024 at 3PM to discuss DPW wages, vacation accrual and ARPA money ideas.

Public Present:

Keith Wanhaaho

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M

Bruce Petersen

Supervisor

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Clerk