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# 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Charter Township of Superior Board was called to order by the Supervisor Ken Schwartz at 10:33 a.m. on June 29, 2020 on a Zoom Virtual Board Meeting.

# 2. <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u>

Supervisor Schwartz and the board members agreed to dispense of the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 3. <u>ROLL CALL</u>

The members present were Meghan Winslow, Lisa Lewis, Ken Schwartz, and Alex Williams. Absent: Nancy Caviston, Lynette Findley, and Brenda McKinney

## 4. <u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u>

It was moved by Lewis supported by Winslow, to adopt the agenda.

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

The motion to amend the agenda to add item 6. Public Comment and then 7. Adjournment

It was moved by Winslow supported by Lewis, to adopt the amend the agenda.

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

#### 5. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

## A. <u>Motion to vote on a water and sewer rate increase for the users in Ann Arbor water and</u> <u>sewer district within Superior Township.</u>

Supervisor Schwartz explained they received notice last week that Ann Arbor Township is increasing the water rates for Superior Township users. They are raising their water rates 4.35%. In conjunction to talking with Mary Burton and Keith Lockie, and due to the fact, we have taken quite a hit to our reserve's funds. We feel the need to build up a little extra reserve for our service district and to pay for a couple items that are required by the Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy (EGLE). The EGLE has required that there be a sampling

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station in the Geddes Glen subdivision, so we can sample water without going into a house. The sampling station was installed and was an unanticipated expense. It was a significant expense which has been completed. We feel that we need the extra .65% to be able to pay for that and build up the reserves. We have not segregated out the Ann Arbor, Superior, and Ypsilanti service district because we are considered one service district under our ordinance. We have not formally adopted a measure to track expenses in each of the service districts.

Trustee Williams asked Supervisor Schwartz what the YCUA water rate is currently. Supervisor Schwartz stated he believes it is less than this rate. He explained that there is no rate increase for YCUA as of now. Trustee Williams asked for clarification as to where this rate increase is in affect.

The following resolution was moved by Winslow supported by Williams.

# SUPERIOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

## A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE RATES, FEES, AND CHARGES RELATED TO WATER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE SUPERIOR TOWNSHIP'S UTILITY DEPARTMENT

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-15**

#### **DATE: JUNE 29, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, this Board is authorized by statute and by the provisions of Township Ordinance No. 169 to determine by resolution rates, fees and charges for services and benefits by Township's sewer and water systems, and

WHEREAS, Ann Arbor Township has increased the charge for water by 4.35%, and sewer by 4.35% and

WHEREAS, the Superior Charter Township Utility Fund may not operate at a deficit, and

WHEREAS, after an analysis of the effect of the new charges for water, it was determined that it would be adequate to increase our water rates by 5.00%, and sewer rates by 5.00% and

**WHEREAS**, this Board finds that the amended proposed schedule of fees is reasonable and necessary for the continuing operations of the Township Utility System and consistent with the past practices and policies of the Township;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Superior Charter Township Board does hereby determine that the fees for services and benefits furnished by the Township's water systems shall be amended per the attached Schedule A; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution and attached schedule shall be published pursuant to Section 8 of the Charter Township Act being MCL 42.8 by posting in the Office of the Clerk, 3040 N. Prospect, Ypsilanti 48198 and on the Township website – <u>www.superiortownship.org</u> – with notice of such in *The Ann Arbor News*, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township qualified under state law to publish legal notices, said rate changes shall be effective immediately upon publication thereof.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Schwartz, Lewis, Winslow, Williams

Nays: None

Absent: Nancy Caviston, Lynette Findley, and Brenda McKinney

The resolution was carried by unanimous vote.

#### 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Lewis supported by Winslow, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette Findley, Clerk

Kenneth Schwartz, Supervisor