

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
BOARD REGULAR MEETING
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1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Superior Board was called to order by the Supervisor Ken Schwartz at 7:15p.m. after technical difficulties on December 21, 2020 on a Zoom Virtual Board Meeting.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Schwartz led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

3. ROLL CALL

The members present were Supervisor Ken Schwartz, Clerk Lynette Findley, Treasurer Brenda McKinney, Trustee Nancy Caviston, Trustee Lisa Lewis, Trustee Bernice Lindke, and Trustee Rhonda McGill.

Absent: None

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Treasurer McKinney, to adopt the agenda with the correction of removing item **P. Resolution 2020-55, Resolution to Approve P.A. 116 Farmland Preservation Early Termination on Parcel J-10-33-200-004** which was requested by the attorney of the Eyde Family.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2020

It was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Treasurer McKinney, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting of November 16, 2020 as presented.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

6. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Supervisor Schwartz read a script required by the Open Meetings Act. Supervisor Schwartz asked if every board member was present in Superior Township. All board members stated they were present in Superior Township.

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A. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Kay Williams attended for any questions regarding the items on the agenda pertaining to the Ypsilanti District Library.

7. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

8. REPORTS

a. SUPERVISOR REPORT

Supervisor Schwartz reported on the following:

- Trustee Lindke has requested to be allowed to use the Superior Township email which was disabled once she left as an employee. Supervisor Schwartz asked the other Trustees if they would like to have a Superior Township email also. Clerk Findley commented her support for all Trustees to have a Superior Township email address. All Trustees agreed to having a Superior Township email address.
- The Township received a \$125,000.00 grant from Washtenaw County Parks Commission for the Prospect Road Trail for Engineering and Inspections. Supervisor Schwartz commented on Treasurer McKinney's involvement with helping the Township obtain this grant. With SEMCOG grant and the Washtenaw County Parks Commission grant, Superior Township has received almost \$600,000.00 in grants. The trail should be completed by winter of 2021.
- The Pump Station on Clark Road project has begun. The site has been cleared and surveyed.
- The Township was informed by DTE that they will begin their township tree clearance program. Laura Bennett put a map of which areas are being targeted for tree clearing or trimming on the website.
- Beginning early next year, the Board is going to have to look at creating some policies regarding time off as it relates to Covid-19 because employees did not take their allotted personal time this year.
- Supervisor Schwartz participated in a zoom meeting last week with the new Danbury Park Manor owners and the Sheriff's Department. The new owners at Danbury Park Manor did not understand all the obligations they have with the Township including the security agreement and the litter control for McArthur Blvd. The management was taken by surprise but agree to follow through with these obligations. The new owners are coordinating with Sycamore Meadows to create numbered parking spots in both communities.
- Supervisor Schwartz, Clerk Findley, and Treasurer McKinney meet with Decker Insurance on the policy for 2021. Cyber insurance was increased by \$600/year in the new policy. The entire insurance policy is \$75,519.00 which includes everything and everyone in the Township.

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- The five acres that were cleared for the Library on Harris Road. One acre of the Township's land has been cleared. The land was purchased in 2008 for \$145,000.00 from the Willow Run School District.
- Supervisor Schwartz informed the Board that the Township received \$1,000.00 donation from Bill and Lisa Ford for Fire Department Operations which was received December 21, 2020. A thank you letter will be sent out signed by Supervisor Schwartz, Clerk Findley, and Treasurer McKinney.

b. DEPARTMENT REPORTS: BUILDING DEPARTMENT, FIRE DEPARTMENT, ORDINANCE OFFICER REPORT, PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES, SHERIFF'S REPORT

It was moved by Treasurer McKinney supported by Trustee Caviston, for the Superior Township Board to receive all reports.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

c. FINANCIAL REPORTS ALL FUNDS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

It was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Trustee McGill, for the Superior Township Board to receive all reports.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

a. EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY 2021 SCHOOL OF FIRE STAFF AND COMMAND EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE EMAIL FOR CAPTAIN KUJAWA

Fire Chief Chevrette reported all officers including himself have been to the School of Fire Staff and Command. Fire Staff and Command is a program for chief officers to learn about budgeting, food service, health and safety. The program is around \$3,000.00 and is a yearlong program.

It was moved by Trustee Lindke supported by Trustee Lewis, to receive the report from Chief Chevrette.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

b. TRUSTEE LINDKE'S ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

Trustee Lindke expressed her concerns with the 3% increase for the officials without justification. She brought to the Board's attention some research she had done on the 3% increase for the officials and how other Townships (Ann Arbor Township, Pittsfield Township, and Plymouth Township) decide on their increases for elected officials. She expressed studying the increase by looking at the CPI labor markets and what similar markets pay before voting on the increases.

Supervisor Schwartz explained the non-union workers receive the same pay increase as unionized workers, and there has not always been increases. Over the last five to six years, the Township has been in the high end of all the Townships in the SEMCOG organization for increases the taxable value. Supervisor Schwartz suggested looking at this for next year.

Trustee Lewis asked Trustee Lindke if the comparisons were equal when looking at other Townships increases.

Supervisor Schwartz suggested having this justification for next year's increases

Trustee McGill suggested not disturbing this year's raises but looking more into having a justification for the raises for next year.

Trustee Caviston reminded the Board the Trustees are on stipends.

Supervisor Schwartz suggested having a work session on the Compensation Commission next year.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

11. NEW BUSINESS

**a. REQUEST TO INCREASE HOURLY RATE FOR GENERAL COUNSEL—
VICTOR LILLICH**

Supervisor Schwartz explained Victor Lillich has worked for the Township since 1996.

The motion was moved by Treasurer McKinney supported by Trustee McGill.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

b. REQUEST TO PURCHASE WITH REMAINING FUND, FEMA GRANT

Fire Chief Chevrette requested to use the remaining grant funds of \$32,196.00 to purchase the remaining nozzles and appliance through Apollo Fire Equipment Company.

The motion was moved by Trustee Caviston supported by Trustee Lewis.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

c. RESOLUTION 2020-42, RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE 2021 SALARY OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Schwartz explained he works hard on returning phone calls within 24 hours and is present in the office and field almost every day. He is absolutely dedicated to all the various items he is required to do as a governing body and those items that are not pertinent to the governing body such as events happening in Sycamore Meadows or Dixboro.

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Caviston supported by Treasurer McKinney.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE 2021 SALARY OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF
SUPERIOR SUPERVISOR**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-42

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees approved the 2021 budgets for all funds on October 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees specifically designated the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Township auditors have requested that the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees be approved by the Board of Trustees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Township continue to receive service that reflects positively on the employees, officials, and trustees of the Township.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that compensation for the Supervisor be \$90,091.00 which is three percent (3%) higher in 2021 than his compensation in 2020 as listed in the 2021 budget adopted by the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

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Lynette Findley, Township Clerk

Date Certified

The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

d. RESOLUTION 2020-43. RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE 2021 SALARY OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR CLERK

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Caviston supported by Trustee Lewis.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE 2021 SALARY OF
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR CLERK**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-43

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees approved the 2021 budgets for all funds on October 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees specifically designated the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees; and

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WHEREAS, the Township auditors have requested that the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees be approved by the Board of Trustees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Township continue to receive service that reflects positively on the employees, officials, and trustees of the Township.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that compensation for the Clerk be \$81,397.00 which is three percent (3%) higher in 2021 than his compensation in 2020 as listed in the 2021 budget adopted by the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees.

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Date Certified

The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

- e. **RESOLUTION 2020-44. RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE 2021 SALARY OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR TREASURER**

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Trustee Caviston.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE 2021 SALARY OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR TREASURER**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-44

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

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WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees approved the 2021 budgets for all funds on October 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees specifically designated the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Township auditors have requested that the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees be approved by the Board of Trustees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Township continue to receive service that reflects positively on the employees, officials, and Trustees of the Township.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that compensation for the Treasurer be \$81,397.00 which is three percent (3%) higher in 2021 than her compensation in 2020 as listed in the 2021 budget adopted by the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees.

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Date Certified

The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

f. RESOLUTION 2020-45, RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE SALARY OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR TRUSTEES FOR THE 2021 BUDGET

The following resolution was moved by Clerk Findley, supported by Trustee Lewis.

Treasurer McKinney motioned to amend the following resolution to increase the Trustee's rate to \$200 per meeting, supported by Trustee Caviston.

The motion to amend the resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE SALARY OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF
SUPERIOR TRUSTEES FOR THE 2021 BUDGET**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-45

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees approved the 2021 budgets for all funds on October 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees specifically designated the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Township auditors have requested that the compensation for the full-time elected officials and the Board of Trustees be approved by the Board of Trustees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Township continue to receive service that reflects positively on the employees, officials, and trustees of the Township.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that compensation for the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees shall be \$200.00 per meeting attended in 2021.

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The resolution as amended carried by unanimous voice vote.

Trustee Lindke wanted to abstain from voting for the increase in Trustee's pay. Supervisor Schwartz explained she could not abstain unless there was a conflict of interest. The Board must approve the conflict of interest once it is explained. Trustee Lindke voted nay on accepting this resolution.

g. RESOLUTION 2020-46. RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUPERIOR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBERS FOR 2021-2022

Supervisor Schwartz explained the Board of Review Members must be appointed in the odd years and sworn in within ten days of being appointed by the Board of Trustees.

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Trustee Caviston.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBERS FOR 2021-2022**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-46

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior conducts annual boards of review in March, July, and December to hear property assessment appeals and to correct error and omissions on the tax roll; and,

WHEREAS, the Board appointed the Board of Review members for 2020 Board of Review one-year appointment ends in December 31, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Review shall be appointed to two-year terms pursuant to MCL 211.28; and,

WHEREAS, three township residents and property owners have volunteered to serve on the Board of Review for 2021 and 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the following residents are appointed to serve on the Charter Township of Superior Board of Review for the calendar year 2021 and 2022.

1. John MacNicol
2. James Switala
3. Kay Williams

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Lynette Findley, Township Clerk

Date Certified

The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

**h. RESOLUTION 2020-47. RESOLUTION TO ALLOW TAXPAYERS TO PROTEST
PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS BY MAIL**

The following resolution was moved by Trustee McGill supported by Trustee Lewis.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO ALLOW TAXPAYERS TO PROTEST
PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS BY MAIL**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-47

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior seeks to ease the burden on taxpayers, the Township assessor, and the Board of Review; and,

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior seeks to ensure that all taxpayers have an equal opportunity to be heard by the Board of Review; and,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, pursuant to MCL 211.30(8) of the General Property Tax Act, the Board of Review shall receive letters of protest regarding assessments from taxpayers if received at the Charter Township of Superior offices located at 3040 N. Prospect Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48198 from the first Tuesday in March until the Board of Review finally adjourns.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all assessment change notices and advertisements of Board of Review meetings shall include a statement that residents' taxpayers may protest the assessment by letter to the Board of Review.

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Lynette Findley, Township Clerk

Date Certified

The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

i. **RESOLUTION 2020-48. RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE WASHTENAW COUNTY WATER RESOURCES COMMISSIONER TO ABANDON PARK OF THE LAMBIE TILE DRAIN**

Supervisor Schwartz explained where the portion of Lambie Drain is located. This request has been made by the Drain Commissioner and there has been no objection by the owner.

The following resolution was moved by Treasurer McKinney supported by Trustee Lewis.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE WASHTENAW COUNTY WATER RESOURCES
COMMISSIONER TO ABANDON PART OF THE LAMBIE TILE DRAIN**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-48

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior requests to abandon (a portion of) a Lambie Tile Drain, located in Superior Washtenaw County, pursuant to Chapter 17 of Public Act 40 of 1956, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior has determined that the drain is no longer necessary or conducive to for the public health in the Township; and

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Board does authorize the filing of a petition to abandon (a portion of) the drain.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Supervisor is authorized to execute the petition to abandon (a portion of) the drain.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall forward to the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner a copy of this Resolution for the petition to abandon (a portion of) the drain.

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Lynette Findley, Township Clerk

Date Certified

The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

j. **RESOLUTION 2020-49. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR TO PURCHASE MEDICAL, DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP**

Supervisor Schwartz explained there is a 5% increase over last year and the deductible for prescriptions have increased. Trustee Caviston asked if the Trustees could be added on the insurance for vision and/or dental. Supervisor Schwartz explained he would contact Brown & Brown to inquire about this request.

Trustee Lewis commented on abstaining from voting for this resolution as it does not pertain to her. Supervisor Schwartz explained the reasoning behind why she could not abstain.

The following resolution was moved by Treasurer McKinney supported by Trustee McGill.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF OF THE CHARTER
TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR TO PURCHASE MEDICAL, DENTAL AND VISION
INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-49

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior provides health care insurance plan benefits to all full-time Township employees; and

WHEREAS, the Township's current health care insurance plan expires on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Township officials and staff have received and reviewed quotes for various health care providers through its agent Brown and Brown; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its authority, Charter Township of Superior has elected to renew the Simply Blue HSA PPO Gold \$1,500 health care plan, the Delta Dental Premier dental insurance plan and the VSP vision plan for 2021 with a total health care premium cost to the township of approximately \$356,824.56 with an effective term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Charter Township of Superior will continue to offer its fulltime employees the option to opt out of health insurance in consideration of a payment to the employee of 40% of the costs of providing health care insurance resulting in a cost of \$45,846.96.

WHEREAS, Charter Township of Superior will offer its employees a wellness bonus in 2021 in the following amounts which is the employee's responsibility to utilize as desired to ensure maximum personal health in the amount of \$102,000 divided as follows:

<u>Non-union</u>		<u>Union</u>	
Single	\$1,500	Single	\$3,000
Family	\$3,000	Family	\$6,000

WHEREAS, the total costs to Charter Township of Superior to provide medical, dental and vision insurance, plus opt outs and wellness is \$504,671.52.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter Township of Superior Supervisor, Clerk or Treasurer are authorized to execute any documents necessary to provide the described health care benefits and corollary opt out and wellness incentive payments.

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Roll Call:

Ayes: Clerk Findley, Trustee Caviston, Trustee Lewis, Supervisor Schwartz, Trustee Lindke, Trustee McGill, and Treasurer McKinney

Nays: None

Absent: None

The resolution carried by unanimous vote

k. RESOLUTION 2020-50, APPROVAL TO SET THE RATE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION TO THE MERS HEALTH CARE SAVINGS PROGRAM FOR NON-UNION AND UNION EMPLOYEES

Supervisor Schwartz explained the union employees are getting an increase, but the non-union workers are not getting an increase.

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Treasurer McKinney.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**APPROVAL TO SET THE RATE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION
TO THE MERS HEALTH CARE SAVINGS PROGRAM FOR
NON-UNION AND UNION EMPLOYEES**

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WHEREAS, on March 21, 2005, the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to participate in the MERS Health Care Savings Program for the benefit of the non-union and union employees of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township contribution to each employee was set at one hundred (\$100.00) dollars per month, and this amount has been raised several times since then; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has given this matter due consideration through the budgeting process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Superior Board does hereby establish the monthly contribution for Health Care Savings Plan for union employees in the amount of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00) per month in 2021; and does hereby establish the monthly contribution for non-union employees in the amount of two hundred sixty-five dollars (\$265.00) per month in 2021.

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The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

I. RESOLUTION 2020-51, RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PARCEL SPLIT OF J-10-35-200-001 AND SALE OF PARCEL "A" TO YPSILANTI DISTRICT LIBRARY

Supervisor Schwartz requested authority to process the split and sign the deed once the final site plan for the library is approved.

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Treasurer McKinney.

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**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PARCEL SPLIT OF J-10-35-200-001 AND
SALE OF PARCEL "A" TO YPSILANTI DISTRICT LIBRARY**

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WHEREAS, Parcel J-10-35-200-001 is a 12.04-acre parcel owned by Charter Township of Superior and located east of Harris Road, between Geddes Road and MacArthur Boulevard.

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Planning Commission recommended rezoning of parcel J-10-35-200-001 to PSP (Public/Semi-Public Services District) at a public hearing on January 23, 2019; and

WHEREAS, there were no public comments opposing the rezoning; and

WHEREAS, the 12.04-acre parcel was rezoned to PSP (Public/Semi-Public Services District) by the Board of Trustees at their first reading on March 18, 2019, and the second reading on April 15, 2019; and

WHEREAS, 4.26 acres (Parcel "A") will be split from the 12.04-acre parent parcel and sold for \$1.00 and other considerations to the Ypsilanti District Library for construction of a Ypsilanti District Library Facility.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees approves the parcel split of J-10-35-200-001 and sale of 4.26 acres to the Ypsilanti District Library and authorizes the Supervisor and Clerk to execute this on behalf of the Township provided however, that the Planning commission approves the final site plan.

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Lynette Findley, Township Clerk

Date Certified

Roll Call:

Ayes: Treasurer McKinney, Trustee Lindke, Trustee McGill, Supervisor Schwartz,
Trustee Lewis, Trustee Caviston, and Clerk Findley

Nays: None

Absent: None

The resolution carried by unanimous vote.

**m. RESOLUTION 2020-52. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE SUPERVISOR TO
SELL FIRE DEPARTMENT UTILITY TRUCK**

Supervisor Schwartz explained no longer needing this truck due to having purchased a new one. Fire Chief Chevrette suggested based on Kelley Blue Book to not accept anything lower than \$7,000.00. The truck is rusted and needs some engine work. Fire Chief Chevrette recommends selling it by a sealed bid.

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Lindke supported by Trustee Caviston.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE SUPERVISOR TO SELL FIRE DEPARTMENT
UTILITY TRUCK**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-52

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Fire Department purchased a new utility truck and now desires to sell the surplus utility truck described as:

**2007 F-350 XL Super Duty Turbo Diesel V8, 4x4 with snowplow
VIN 1FTWX31P06EC37215
Mileage 83,515**

WHEREAS, MCL 42.10 (m) authorizes the township supervisor, "To conduct all sales of personal property which the township board may authorize to be sold".

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees has authorized the Supervisor to sell the 2007 F-350 Super Duty truck and deposit the proceeds into the fire fund.

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The resolution carried by unanimous voice vote.

n. RESOLUTION 2020-53, BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR YEAR-END 2020

Supervisor Schwartz explained to the newly elected Trustees that this is a routine resolution for the Township.

The following resolution was moved by Treasurer McKinney supported by Trustee Lewis.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR ALL FUNDS

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-53

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustee's has carefully reviewed the Township's current spending, and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees recognizes its responsibility to the citizens of the Charter Township of Superior to carefully monitor the Township funds and provide for the needs of the Township, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Superior has carefully reviewed the revenues and expenditures for 2020 and offers the following budget amendments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees adopt the proposed budget amendments as set forth in the attached spreadsheet.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

I, Lynette Findley, the duly qualified Clerk of the Charter Township of Superior, Washtenaw County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Superior Charter Township Board held on December 21, 2020 and that public notices of said meeting were given pursuant to Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

Lynette Findley, Township Clerk

Date Certified

The resolution was carried by unanimous voice vote.

o. RESOLUTION 2020-54. RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON REZONING PETITIONS

Supervisor Schwartz explained the reasoning behind asking for this. Supervisor Schwartz does not think there could be a public hearing via zoom with a hundred people wanting to comment on an item.

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Caviston supported by Clerk Findley.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON REZONING
PETITIONS**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-54

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (Act 110 of 2006) provides for a statutory scheme for the consideration of proposed amendments to zoning ordinances and zoning maps; and,

WHEREAS, under the statute a Township Board may require a public hearing (MCL 125.3401) on a request for amendment under the township zoning ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan Department of Public Health has issued orders prohibiting in person meetings, including but not limited to public meetings and public hearings held by a municipality; and

WHEREAS, it is both impractical and unfair to the residents of the community for the Township to hold remote meetings on issues that are of great and significant public interest and which may have a permanent impact on the character and infrastructure of the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Township has been informed by many citizens that virtual meetings are a poor substitute for in-person meetings; and that many residents are not equipped to join virtual meetings due to the lack of electronic and the other necessary components to fully participate in a virtual meeting; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Board can take notice of the commonsense notion that for issues that may draw the interest if hundreds of citizens, a virtual public hearing denies the citizen to fully participate in the public hearing and have the ability to see and confront the issues athand.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, a moratorium is imposed upon holding any public hearing on requested zoning amendments for three (3) months or until such time as the township is permitted, by law, to invite members of the public to an in-person hearing on any such request, whichever occurs first.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

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Lynette Findley, Township Clerk

Date Certified

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustee Caviston, Supervisor Schwartz, Clerk Findley, Treasurer McKinney, Trustee Lindke, Trustee Lewis, and Trustee McGill

Nays: None

Absent: None

The resolution carried by unanimous vote.

- p. ~~**RESOLUTION 2020-55, RESOLUTION TO APPROVE P.A. 116 FARMLAND PRESERVATION EARLY TERMINATION ON PARCEL J-10-33-200-004**~~

The following resolution was removed from the agenda upon request from the Eyde family's attorney.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE P.A. 116 FARMLAND PRESERVATION EARLY
TERMINATION ON PARCEL J-10-33-200-004**

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020-55

DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2020

WHEREAS, tax parcel J-10-33-200-004 was entered into a farmland preservation program with the Michigan Department of Agriculture in 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the current owner now wishes to develop the property as a single-family subdivision; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Board did approve the Request for Termination in 2014, but the request was denied by the State.

NOW THEREFORE, the Charter Township of Superior Board approves the Request for Termination by the Louis Eyde, LLC for the property identified in the submitted Request for Termination.

q. APPROVE 2021 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

It was moved by Trustee McGill supported by Trustee Lindke to approve 2021 Board Meeting Schedule.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

r. APPROVE 2021 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

It was moved by Trustee Lewis supported by Trustee Lindke to approve the 2021 Holiday Schedule.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

12. BILLS for PAYMENT and RECORD of DISBURSEMENTS

It was moved by Treasurer McKinney supported by Trustee McGill, to receive bills for payment and record of disbursements.

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Trustee Lindke inquired about the check # 43522 to Margolis Companies Inc. for crab trees. Supervisor Schwartz explained this was to beautify the area on Stamford Rd between Dawn Ave and Panama Ave. Trustee Lindke inquired about a phone purchase for K. Lockie. Supervisor Schwartz explained all the Utilities employees are purchased phones and other employees receive a stipend for their phones.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

13. PLEAS and PETITIONS

- Treasurer McKinney made a plea for help moving into her new house this week.
- Clerk Findley made a plea for all the Board members to consider donating to the new Library near Sycamore Meadows and Danbury park Manor.

14. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee McGill supported by Trustee Lewis, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette Findley, Clerk

Kenneth Schwartz, Supervisor