Charter Township of Portage Special Board of Trustees Meeting September 1, 2021 (906) 482-4310

The Charter Township of Portage held a Special Board of Trustees Meeting on Monday, September 1, 2021 via Zoom meeting.

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, Treasurer Betsy Smith and Trustees Peggy Anderson, Bill Fink, and John Ollila as stated by roll call. Bill Bingham arrived late

Additions or Changes to the Meeting Agenda:

Seeking accountant services

Discussion Items:

- 1. The Township needs to seek an accountant due to the death of our Township auditor, who also helped us with many other accounting issues—Smith made a motion to seek services of an accountant to help guide both clerk and treasurer with questions they have with QuickBooks as well as water/sewer accounting questions, seconded by Anderson. Motion was carried by a roll call vote. Aye: Anderson, Fink, Ollila, Petersen, Skewes, Smith. Nay: O. Absent: Bingham
- 2. Funding the Bond reserve for Portage Sewer Chris Holmes notified the board that last year Bruce sent a letter to USDA stating we would fund the Bond Reserve, Repair and Replacement and the Bond and Interest for Portage Sewer, but the board never voted on the issue and the accounts are not funded.

A motion was made by Smith to Fund the Portage Sewer accounts in the amount of \$34,088 with the intent to pay back approximately \$95,000 over a five year period using a "due to" due from" with a start year to payback of 2021, seconded by Anderson. Motion was carried by a roll call vote. Aye: Anderson, Bingham, Fink, Ollila, Petersen, Skewes, Smith. Nay: 0

Public Present: Chris Holmes - UPEA

Adjourn: a motion was made by Smith to adjourn at 3:15 P.M., seconded by Anderson Motion carried by a voice vote. All in Favor

Bruce Petersen Supervisor

Amy Skewes

Clerk