

Regular Board Meeting
Blackman Charter Township
January 18, 2022

The Blackman Charter Township Board convened at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at the Township Hall, 1990 West Parnall Road, Jackson, Michigan.

Members present: Supervisor Jancek, Clerk Sercombe, Treasurer Preston, and Trustees: Ambs, Thomas, Pack, and Williams.

Members absent:

Public Attendance: Ray Snell, Harold Levy, Diane Donaldson

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS - (two-minute limit)

1. **Ray Snell, County Commissioner**
 - a. Open position on agricultural preservation board
 - b. County Agenda - meeting tonight
 - i. Canada goose management program to destroy nests and eggs to reduce population and move further north.
 - ii. Merger of prosecuting child services division
 - iii. 12th district court - better efficiency with less costs
 - iv. Increases to elected department heads - clerk, treasurer, etc.
 - v. Millage expiring for jail this year, looking to renew soon
 - vi. 911 increase proposal - \$1.50 per line to \$2.75 per line

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

1. Under New Business
 - a. Approve the invoice from the Enterprise Group in the amount of \$15,000.00. Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Clerk Sercombe to approve the Board of Trustee agenda as amended for the Regular Board Meeting held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

MINUTES APPROVAL

- No changes/corrections.
Motion by Clerk Sercombe, supported by Trustee Pack to approve the Board of Trustee minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, December 20, 2021.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of payroll for the dates 11/12/21 in the amount of \$147,891.74 and for 11/26/21 in the amount of \$175,903.51.
2. Approve \$2,400,000.00 transfer of funds from Public Safety Fund to General Fund.
3. Receive Revenue and Expenditure Report for the month of November 2021.

Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Trustee Ambs

Roll Call: Sercombe, Pack, Thomas, Williams, Ambs, Jancek, Preston

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Motion Approved

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

1. "Thank you" letter – Lions Club
 - a. For allowing them to have their mint candies canister and eyeglass donation containers in our Township Hall office.

PARKS & RECREATION

1. Postponed meeting in January due to COVID
2. Still waiting on playground equipment
3. 5-year plan expires, we will need to update it

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

FLOCK LICENSE Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Trustee Williams to authorize the
PLATE READERS Director of Public Safety to enter into an agreement with FLOCK Safety for (10) cameras and license plate readers in the amount of \$27,500.00 (205-901-970.000-Budgeted Expense).
Roll Call: Williams, Preston, Thomas, Jancek, Ambs, Sercombe, Pack
Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

LENOVO Motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Clerk Sercombe to authorize the
LAPTOPS Director of Public Safety to purchase (15) Lenovo laptop computers for the Township in the amount of \$40,918.50 for various township departments (Budgeted Expense)
Roll Call: Thomas, Ambs, Sercombe, Jancek, Pack, Williams, Preston
Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

- *No activity*

ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

- *No activity*

NEW BUSINESS

REDEFINING Motion by Clerk Sercombe, supported by Trustee Ambs to authorize the
ELECTION Election Commission to sign Resolution #01-2022-0118; a Resolution to
PRECINCT LINES re-define the election precinct lines and create a sixth precinct due to the township growth found in the 2020 Census.
Unanimously approved by voice vote

MIKE MILLER Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Clerk Sercombe to appoint Mike Miller to the vacant position on the ordinance committee, term ending 12/31/2024.
Roll Call: Sercombe, Pack, Thomas, Williams, Ambs, Jancek, Preston
Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

DIANE Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Trustee Thomas to appoint
DONALDSON Diane Donaldson to the vacant position on the Region 2 Planning Commission.
Roll Call: Jancek, Preston, Pack, Thomas, Sercombe, Ambs, Williams
Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

AUDIT Motion by Clerk Sercombe, supported by Treasurer Preston to authorize the
SERVICES supervisor to sign the engagement letter with Boswell, Schultz, Sonnenberg, & Arnett, PLC. to perform audit services for Blackman Charter Township for the year ending December 31, 2021.
Unanimously approved by voice vote

**ENTERPRISE
GROUP**

Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Trustee Williams to authorize the payment of the invoice from the Enterprise Group for the 2022 Investment in Jackson Challenge in the amount of \$15,000.00.

Roll Call: Preston, Williams, Thomas, Ambs, Pack, Sercombe, Jancek

Ayes – 7

Nays - 0

Motion Approved

BILLS

Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Clerk Sercombe to approve payment of bills on the Board Invoice Post Audit Report dated 10/26/21 in the amount of \$29,188.77 and Board Invoice Report dated 11/09/21 in the amount of \$196,137.85.

Roll Call: Ambs, Thomas, Jancek, Sercombe, Preston, Pack, Williams

Ayes – 7

Nays - 0

Motion Approved

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute limit)

- *None*

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. *Director Jester*
 - a. We had 17 total officers that have been out with COVID
 - i. The department has gone remote to help reduce sickness
 - ii. Officers are starting to come back into the office this week
 - b. 841 Woodworth Incident
 - i. Judgment from the court says we can now clean it up
 - ii. Anything violating the ordinance can be removed and taken to the dump
2. *Supervisor Jancek*
 - a. Lobbies Closed
 - i. Both lobbies will remain closed the rest of the week while business is slow
 - b. Public Safety
 - i. Building ducts were cleaned, Township Hall will have ducts cleaned this weekend.
 - c. Township Hall
 - i. Looking to get the carpets cleaned next in the building
3. *Treasurer Preston*
 - a. Please do not throw away sewer portfolio information in the normal trash, please destroy it.
 - b. Shelly and I watched the MTA Presentation regarding ARPA Money and what we can use it for.
 - c. Received \$2.4 million to use. Money must be allocated by December of 2024.

The Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.



Shelly Sercombe, Township Clerk