

Regular Board Meeting
Blackman Charter Township
January 19, 2021

The Blackman Charter Township Board convened at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 via Zoom, in accordance with the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services.

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

Members absent:

Public Attendance (via Zoom): Linda Arntz, Eric White, Bruce Grabert, Diane Derby, Sherry Eva

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS - (two-minute limit)

- *None*

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Motion by Trustee Thomas with support from Trustee Ambs to approve the Board of Trustee minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, December 21, 2020.

Ayes – 7

Nays - 0

Motion Approved

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of payroll for payroll dates 12/11/20 in the amount of \$188,315.53, and for 12/25/20 in the amount \$157,161.06.
2. Receive Revenue and Expenditure Report for the month of December 2020.

Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Trustee Pack.

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

Ayes – 7

Nays - 0

Motion Approved

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

1. Six-million-dollar EDA Grant is moving ahead
2. Township will continue conducting virtual meetings until March 31st.
3. Township Hall Lobby will also remain closed until March 31st.

TREASURER'S UPDATE

1. Taxes coming in ahead of last year.
2. Having hours open Saturday the 13th for mail deliveries and catching up.

CLERK'S UPDATE

1. Board members: Stop by and sign the bills.
2. Reaching out to local churches for polling locations

PUBLIC SAFETY

**PURCHASING
VEHICLES**

Motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Trustee Ambs to authorize the Director of Public Safety to purchase (5) budgeted vehicles, under the State of Michigan Bid from Lafontaine Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram in Lansing, Michigan and equip and upfit those vehicles; not to exceed \$213,600.00 from account number 296-300-977.000 ***Discussion***

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

Ayes – 7

Nays - 0

Motion Approved

PLANNING COMMISSION

**CASE #1518:
JACKSON COUNTY
AIRPORT HANGAR**

Motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Clerk Sercombe to approve Case #1518, Conditional Use Permit for new Airplane Hangar at the Jackson County Airport, as requested by Wade Kellogg (Parcel# 000-08-32-126-001-00).

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

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

- *No activity*

PARKS & RECREATION

1. 2021 Season Discussion (see attachments)
 - o Looking at getting the drive done for Rod Mills Park
 - Bringing recommendation to February Board Meeting
 - o Working on Parks Millage for late 2021

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

- *No activity*

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

- *No activity*

ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

1. First read of the revised Liquor Control Ordinance
 - o Language cleaned up by Eric for state compliance
 - o Please read the copies of the current and revised ordinances

NEW BUSINESS

**RESOLUTION
#01-2021-0119**

Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Treasurer Preston to approve Resolution #01-2021-0119; Granting Extension of Hardship Exemptions for Property Taxes.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

**RESOLUTION
#02-2021-0119**

Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Trustee Pack to approve Resolution #02-2021-0119; Waiver of Penalty on Taxes for Senior Citizens.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

**RESOLUTION
#03-2021-0119**

Motion by Supervisor Jancek, supported by Clerk Sercombe to approve Resolution #03-2021-0119; Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

BILLS

Motion by Clerk Sercombe, supported by Trustee Williams to approve payment of bills on the Board Invoice Post Audit Report dated 12/23/2020 in the amount of \$443,918.44 and Board Invoice Report dated 1/20/2021 in the amount of \$192,120.07.

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

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

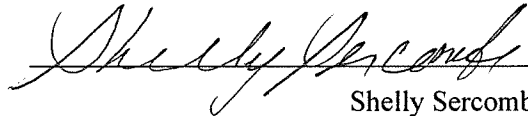
EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute limit)

- *None*

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. *Treasurer Preston*
 - a. We will be starting interviews for the Deputy Assessor position
 - b. Suggestion to hire temps as back-ups when low staffed
2. *Supervisor Jancek*
 - a. The park is not closed. The gate is just closed to vehicles. The park and dog park are both still open for use.

The Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:21pm.



Shelly Sercombe, Clerk