

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
MINUTES OF THE JULY 18, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Brenda Stumbo called the meeting to order at approximately 7:06pm in the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center Board Room, 7200 S. Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti Township. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Members Present: Supervisor Brenda Stumbo, Clerk Heather Jarrell Roe and Treasurer Stan Eldridge
Trustees: Ryan Hunter, John Newman II, Gloria Peterson and Debbie Swanson

Members Absent: None

Legal Counsel: Wm. Douglas Winters

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eight public comments were given. The concerns raised were as follows: waste management and lack of township communication, concerns for shootings and lack of police presence, a traffic incident, people smoking marijuana in public, parties in the roadway, the lack of police response to calls for concern, public drinking and intoxication, loitering, gun shots fired into local homes, police incident numbers being the same, parties being held in parks, residents not having quality of life in Ypsilanti Township and concerns stated that the township wants a trouble area, not being able to walk in the neighborhood due to lack of safety, lack of police follow up when called, police intimidation towards residents when called and their lack of training, trash and blight in the roadway, no curfew enforcement, parents afraid to leave their homes to go to work, dangerous individuals in the community, request for non-profits to come together and do work in the community to help with crime prevention, ongoing crime between neighborhood groups, lack of quality of life and feeling safe in homes, concerns of releasing dangerous individuals back into the neighborhoods, lack of ordinance and law enforcement within the township, concern that the township isn't spending money appropriately, and that the township is not on board with the communities effort to save lives, has no plan, and that the police department is too political, concerns that the township doesn't care, concern that a white male in a white truck is selling guns to children for \$12.00, and that WCSO is aware but not doing anything. These concerns were raised by township residents in Apple Ridge and West Willow neighborhoods.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES OF THE MAY 16, 2023 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
(TABLED AT THE JUNE 20, 2023 REGULAR MEETING)

B. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 20, 2023 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING

C. STATEMENTS AND CHECKS

1. STATEMENTS AND CHECKS FOR JULY 4, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,101,591.59

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2. STATEMENTS AND CHECKS FOR JULY 18, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,704,302.26
3. CLARITY HEALTHCARE DEDUCTIBLE ACH FOR JUNE 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,581.26
4. CLARITY HEALTHCARE ADMIN FEE FOR JUNE 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,436.11

D. TREASURER'S REPORT JUNE 2023

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Trustee Peterson to remove from table the minutes of the May 16, 2023 work session and regular meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Trustee Hunter and seconded by Clerk Jarrell Roe to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2023 work session and regular meeting minutes with additional information on Say Yes to Seniors added to the work session minutes.

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Treasurer Eldridge to approve the remainder of the consent agenda. He added that

The motion passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY REPORT

A. GENERAL LEGAL UPDATE

Attorney Winters spoke about a recent crime in the area that was allegedly perpetrated by a young man who had felony warrants for his arrest and that he is concerned about the number of offenders accused of a violent crime being released on bond.

Attorney Winters gave an update on the Gault Village Demolition stating that the completion date has been extended due to a change order that was recently approved by the board for additional asbestos abatement.

Attorney Winters stated that he was contacted by Captain Fred Anstead who inquired if he had the authorization to sign the estimate for repairs in the absence of Chief Copeland. Attorney Winters suggested this be added to the other business section of the agenda for board approval.

NEW BUSINESS

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1. 1st READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2023-503, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 62-67 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI, TO ADJUST SEWER RATES

Clerk Jarrell Roe read the proposed ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Trustee Peterson to approve the 1st Reading of the proposed ordinance 2023-503, an ordinance to amend chapter 62, article IV, section 62-67 of the Code of Ordinances Charter Township of Ypsilanti, to adjust sewer rates (see attached).

Luke Blackburn, YCUA Director gave a review of YCUA’s budget and also spoke about several rebate programs available to help a resident with their water bill.

Supervisor Stumbo stated that she would like to see what could be done to reduce the sewer costs for residents. She added that YCUA has more control over the sewer rates than the water rates because the water has to be purchased.

A roll call vote was held.

Stumbo	Yes	Hunter	Yes	Swanson	Yes
Jarrell Roe	Yes	Newman	Yes		
Eldridge	Yes	Peterson	Yes		

The motion passed unanimously.

2. 1st READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2023-504, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 62-76 (a)(1) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI, TO ADJUST WATER SERVICE RATES

Clerk Jarrell Roe read the proposed ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Treasurer Eldridge to approve the 1st Reading of the proposed ordinance 2023-504, an ordinance to amend chapter 62, article IV, section 62-76 (a)(1) of the Code of Ordinances Charter Township of Ypsilanti, to adjust water service rates (see attached).

Clerk Jarrell Roe stated that it was in the utility ordinance that YCUA could raise water rates to up to 4% and that the ordinance was being updated so that Muncide could be updated.

Stumbo	Yes	Hunter	Yes	Swanson	Yes
Jarrell Roe	Yes	Newman	Yes		
Eldridge	Yes	Peterson	Yes		

The motion carried unanimously.

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3. REQUEST APPROVAL FOR CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE FORD F-150 SNOW PLOW TRUCKS FROM FELDMAN AUTOMOTIVE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,100.00 BUDGETED IN LINE ITEM #661-268-985-000

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Trustee Hunter to approve change order #1 for the purchase of three Ford F-150 snow plow trucks from Feldman Automotive in the amount of \$8,100.00 budgeted in line item #661-268-985-000.

Clerk Jarrell Roe stated this change order is needed due to a miscalculation in adding dual battery operation to the trucks.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. REQUEST TO CONFIRM AUTHORIZATION FOR CIRCUIT COURT LITIGATION TO ABATE A PUBLIC NUISANCE LOCATED AT 580 KANSAS AVE. BUDGETED IN LINE ITEM #101-729-801-023

A motion was made by Treasurer Eldridge and supported by Trustee Swanson to confirm authorization for circuit court litigation to abate a public nuisance located at 580 Kansas Ave. budgeted in line item #101-729-801-023.

Supervisor Stumbo stated there seems to be a number of vacant houses that have become homes for rats and if it is not treated quickly the problem will spread.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. REQUEST TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE YPSILANTI TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT DEPARTMENT THAT YPSILANTI TOWNSHIP CONSENT TO THE REVISION TO THE PLAT FOR PATTEE'S ADDITION TO YPSILANTI

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Treasurer Eldridge to approve the recommendation of the Ypsilanti Township Assessment Department that Ypsilanti Township consent to the revision to the plat for Pattee's Addition to Ypsilanti.

Clerk Jarrell Roe stated that Attorney Winters had suggested the motion being updated to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the consent.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. BUDGET AMENDMENT #10

Clerk Jarrell Roe read the budget amendment into the record.

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded Treasurer Eldridge to approve Budget Amendment #10 (please see attached).

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The motion carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZATIONS AND BIDS

1. REQUEST TO SEEK SEALED BIDS FOR FENCE REPLACEMENT AT THE HEWITT RD. FIRE STATION

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Treasurer Eldridge to approve the request to seek sealed bids for fence replacement at the Hewitt Rd. fire station.

Supervisor Stumbo stated the bids would come back to the board for approval.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. REQUEST TO AWARD THE BID FO THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2024 12+2 WHEELCHAIR PASSENGER BUS TO TESCO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$119,072.00 BUDGETED IN LINE ITEM #282-901-981-045

A motion was made by Treasurer Eldridge and seconded by Trustee Swanson to award the bid for the purchase of one (1) 2021 12+2 wheelchair passenger bus to Tesco in the amount of \$119,072.00 budgeted in line item #282-901-981-045.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. REQUEST TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2024 15 PASSENGER BUS TO HOLLAND BUS COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$84,797.00 BUDGETED IN LINE ITEM #282-901-981-045

A motion was made by Trustee Peterson and seconded by Trustee Swanson to award the bid for the purchase of one (1) 2024 15 passenger bus to Holland Bus Company in the amount of \$84,797.00 budgeted in line item #282-901-981-045.

Attorney Winters stated that he had reviewed the documents for the purchases of both buses, and they are in proper form for the Board's consideration.

The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE CAPTAIN FRED ANSTEAD TO SIGN AN ESTIMATE FOR FIRE TRUCK REPAIRS THAT ARE COVERED UNDER WARRANTY

A motion was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Treasurer Eldridge to authorize Captain Fred Anstead to sign an estimate for fire truck repairs that are covered under warranty.

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The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATES

Treasurer Eldridge stated he had met with Tamara Cook about an event she was hosting at Prospect Park about the recent shootings in our area.

Supervisor Stumbo stated that the jazz festival has been amazing and thanks to all the volunteers. She also added that this Saturday is the Rosie the Riveter Craft Show.

Trustee Swanson stated that she was sad about comments from residents on crime in their community. She added that it is unacceptable that the township has a five million dollar contract for police services but residents still do not feel safe in their neighborhoods. She added that to solve these problems people have to work together.

A motion to adjourn was made by Clerk Jarrell Roe and seconded by Treasurer Eldridge.

The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Brenda L. Stumbo, Supervisor
Charter Township of Ypsilanti**



**Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk
Charter Township of Ypsilanti**

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2023-503**

An ordinance to amend Chapter 62, Article IV, Section 62-77 of the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Ypsilanti, to adjust sewage disposal rates.

BE IT ORDERED BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI, that:

Section 62-77 of Chapter 62, Article IV of the Code of Ordinances be revised as follows:

For all billings rendered prior to September 1, 2023, existing sewage disposal service rates shall prevail. For all billings rendered on or after September 1, 2023, charges for sewage disposal services shall be as follows, for each bimonthly (two-month) period:

(1) **Readiness-to-serve rates based on size of meter:**

Meter Size (inch)	Sewage Rate
5/8-3/4	\$ 18.17
1	\$ 45.43
1-1/2	\$ 90.86
2	\$ 145.38
3	\$ 454.30
4	\$ 908.61
6	\$ 1,817.20
8	\$3,180.11
10	\$4,997.31
12	\$5,905.92

(2) **Commodity rate:** \$2.99 per 100 cubic feet

I, Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk of the Charter Township of Ypsilanti, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan hereby certify approval of the first reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-503 by the Charter Township of Ypsilanti Board of Trustees assembled at a regular meeting held on July 18, 2023. The second reading is scheduled to be heard on August 15, 2023.



Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk
Charter Township of Ypsilanti

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2023-504**

An ordinance to amend Chapter 62, Article IV, Section 62-76(a)(1) of the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Ypsilanti, to adjust water service rates.

BE IT ORDERED BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI, that:

Section 62-76(a)(1) of Chapter 62, Article IV of the Code of Ordinances be revised as follows:

For all billings rendered prior to September 1, 2023, existing water service rates shall prevail. For all billings rendered on or after September 1, 2023, charges for water service rates shall be as follows, for each bimonthly (two-month) period:

(1) **Readiness-to-serve rates based on size of meter:**

Meter Size (inch)	Water Rate
5/8-3/4	\$ 17.40
1	\$ 43.50
1-1/2	\$ 87.01
2	\$ 139.21
3	\$ 435.03
4	\$ 870.06
6	\$ 1,740.12
8	\$ 3,045.21
10	\$4,785.32
12	\$5,655.38

(2) **Commodity rate:** \$3.76 per 100 cubic feet

I, Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk of the Charter Township of Ypsilanti, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan hereby certify approval of the first reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-504 by the Charter Township of Ypsilanti Board of Trustees assembled at a regular meeting held on July 18, 2023. The second reading is scheduled to be heard on August 15, 2023.



Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk
Charter Township of Ypsilanti

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT # 10**

July 18, 2023 - REVISED 7/18/23

AMOUNTS ROUNDED UP TO THE NEAREST DOLLAR

101 - GENERAL OPERATIONS FUND **Total Increase** \$11,043.00

Request to increase the budget for PTO payout at 75%. This will be funded by an appropriation of prior year fund balance.

Revenues:	Prior Year Fund Balance	101-000-699.999	\$1,052.00
			\$1,052.00
		Net Revenues	\$1,052.00
Expenditures:	Salaries Pay Out	101-191-708.004	\$977.00
	FICA	101-191-715.000	\$75.00
		Net Expenditures	\$1,052.00

Request to increase budget and add a new revenue line. This is for hazmat assessment/specifications development study done by SME for Gault Village demolition, which the Washtenaw County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (WCBRA) has approved for reimbursement. This will be funded by WCBRA grant reimbursement.

Revenues:	WASHTENAW COUNTY BROWNFIELD	101-000-583.000	\$9,991.00
			\$9,991.00
		Net Revenues	\$9,991.00
Expenditures:	Blight removal - Gault Village	101-729-806.091	\$9,991.00
		Net Expenditures	\$9,991.00

230- RECREATION FUND **Total Increase** \$7,000.00

Request to increase budget for the donation received from Northgate Construction for expenses related to the Rosie Show in July 2023. This will be funded by a donation.

Revenues:	Contributions - Rosie & Art in the Park	230-000-675.008	\$2,000.00
			\$2,000.00
		Net Revenues	\$2,000.00
Expenditures:	Special Events - Rosie	230-754-963.600	\$2,000.00
		Net Expenditures	\$2,000.00

Request to increase budget for the donation received from Destination Ann Arbor for expenses related to the Jazz Concert Series. We budgeted for \$5,000 and were given \$10,000. This is to account for the additional funds and will be funded by a donation.

Revenues:	Contributions - Jazz Festival	230-000-675.007	\$5,000.00
			\$5,000.00
		Net Revenues	\$5,000.00
Expenditures:	Special Events - Jazz Festival	230-754-963.603	\$5,000.00
		Net Expenditures	\$5,000.00

Motion to Amend the 2023 Budget (#10) REVISED

Move to increase the General Fund budget by \$11,043 to \$14,608,517 and approve the department line item changes as outlined.

Move to increase the Recreation Fund budget by \$7,000 to \$779,335 and approve the department line item changes as outlined.