



# MACOMB TOWNSHIP *Michigan*

MACOMB TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020

LOCATION: AUDIO CONFERENCE

Call Meeting to Order

**Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Dunn at 7:01 PM.**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States

**Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Supervisor Dunn.**

1. Roll Call

**Clerk POZZI called the roll:**

**Present:** Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn

**Absent:**

2. Approval of Agenda Items (with any corrections)

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Kathy Smith to approve the agenda as amended with the following changes; move Consent Agenda Item 8a, Resolution to approve Pay as You Stay program for Macomb Township, to 20a under New Business and add to Closed Session Item 24, Consideration of the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of Employee #2199. Closed Session per MCL 15.268(a).**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Kathy Smith, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

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3. Approval of Bills

Karen Goodhue requested Vendor #10281, Foley & Mansfield, be voted on separately from the bill run.

**MOTION by Nancy Nevers seconded by Karen Goodhue to approve the bills except the Foley & Mansfield bill.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Nancy Nevers, Karen Goodhue, Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to not pay the Foley & Mansfield bill.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (2 - 5 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers**

**Nays - Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Failed.**

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Charles Oliver to approve the Foley & Mansfield bill.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (5 - 2 - 0)**

**Ayes - Kristi Pozzi, Charles Oliver, Tim Bussineau, Kathy Smith, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes from May 27, 2020

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Karen Goodhue to approve meeting minutes from May 27, 2020 as presented.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Kristi Pozzi, Karen Goodhue, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Janet Dunn**

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**Nays - None**  
**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

5. Engineering Department
  - a. Request to Approve Final Site Development Bond Release for Macomb Assisted Living (\$10,000.00)
  - b. Request to Approve Partial Site Development Bond Release for Sycamore Glen Apartments - Phase II (\$573,272.75)
6. Human Resources Department
  - a. Request for Personal Leave of Absence - Fire Department EE# 1104
7. Clerk's Office
  - a. Michigan Township Association Annual Dues (\$6,974.17)
8. Treasurer's Office
  - a. Resolution to approve Pay as You Stay program for Macomb Township

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to approve the Consent Agenda items as amended.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**  
**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS, AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS - (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)**

Rob Huth, representing GFL, spoke regarding Item 18.  
Charles T. Missig spoke in regards to Item 20 and the Ethics Board.

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Daniel Venet from Priority Waste also spoke regarding Item 18.

Peter Lucido III spoke regarding Item 20.

Kathy Western spoke in reference to Item 20, campaign finance contributions and elected officials blocking residents on social media platforms.

Frank Cusumano spoke about the budget, Item 18 and sidewalk repairs in the Township.

John Parkinson spoke regarding Item 18 and the Foley & Mansfield invoice approved earlier in the meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

9. Public Hearing for the 2020/2021 Fiscal Year Budget

Supervisor Dunn opened the public hearing at 7:35 PM.

Finance Director Stacy Smith reviewed the proposed budget with the Board and indicated where details regarding the summary of funds, budget detail and anticipated millage rates can be reviewed in the packet of information provided.

Frank Cusumano spoke regarding budgeting practices.

Supervisor Dunn closed the public hearing at 7:40 PM.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT:**

10. Contract Modification #2; 2019 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by FCIPP and SCIPP Lining, Contract 0249-0163 (Net Change: \$591,627.70)

Item presented by Water and Sewer Superintendent Gerry Wangelin.

**MOTION by Charles Oliver seconded by Nancy Nevers to Approve the Contract Modification # 2; 2019 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by FCIPP and SCIPP, Contract 0249-0163 in the amount of \$591,627.70.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Charles Oliver, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Kathy Smith, Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

11. Request Approval to Award the Contract to Heritage Oaks Landscaping, for the Restoration Work of Country Club Drive Landscape Area, Sanitary Sewer Repair Project. (Heritage Oaks Landscaping: \$33,850.00)

Item presented by Water and Sewer Superintendent Gerry Wangelin.

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Nancy Nevers to Approve the Request to Award the Contract to Heritage Oaks Landscaping in the amount of \$33,850.00, for the Restoration Work of Country Club Drive Landscape Area.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Kristi Pozzi, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Karen Goodhue, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:**

12. Request Permission to Execute Cost Sharing Agreement for Construction Costs with Macomb County Department of Roads for 23 Mile Road Reconstruction and Widening Project between Card Road and North Avenue (\$780,000.00)

Item presented by Township Engineer James Van Tiflin.

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Charles Oliver to Authorize the Supervisor to Execute Cost Sharing Agreement for Construction Costs with Macomb County Department of Roads for 23 Mile Road Reconstruction and Widening Project between Card Road and North Avenue in the amount of \$780,000.00.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Kristi Pozzi, Charles Oliver, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Kathy Smith, Karen Goodhue, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

13. Request to Schedule the Public Hearing for a Street Lighting SAD for Enclave at Legacy Estates - Phases I and II for July 8, 2020

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Item presented by Township Engineer James Van Tiflin.

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Kathy Smith to Motion to Schedule the Public Hearing for a Street Lighting SAD for Enclave at Legacy Estates - Phases I and II for July 8, 2020.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Kathy Smith, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

14. Request to Award Contract for the 2020 Pathway Gap Closure Program (\$474,474.00)

Item presented by Township Engineer James Van Tiflin.

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to Motion to Award the Contract for the 2020 Pathway Gap Closure Program to JSS-Macomb, LLC in the amount of \$474,474.00.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

15. Request for Authorization to Proceed with 25 Mile and Garfield Road/Romeo Plank Water Main Relocation (\$446,425.00)

Item presented by Township Engineer James Van Tiflin.

**MOTION by Charles Oliver seconded by Kathy Smith to Proceed with 25 Mile and Garfield Road/Romeo Plank Water Main Relocation in the amount of \$446,425.00.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

16. Request from Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to Participate in Mast Arm Traffic Signals and Decorative Crosswalks along M-59 from Romeo Plank to Township Limits to the East (\$63,925.03)

Item presented by Township Engineer James Van Tiflin.

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to Participate with Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for Mast Arm Traffic Signals and Decorative Crosswalks along M-59 from Romeo Plank to Township Limits to the East in the amount of \$63,925.03.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

17. Request to Award Geotechnical Services for Foss Road Sewer Extension and Whitney Macomb Park Projects (\$39,150)

Item presented by Township Engineer James Van Tiflin.

**MOTION by Kathy Smith seconded by Kristi Pozzi to Award Geotechnical Services for Foss Road Sewer Extension and Whitney Macomb Park Projects to intertek PSI in the total amount of \$39,150.00.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Karen Goodhue, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE:**

18. Request to Extend the Waste Hauling Contract

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Item presented by Trustee Nancy Nevers.

**MOTION by Nancy Nevers seconded by Karen Goodhue to request an extension of the waste hauling contract with GFL for 3 years.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (4 - 3 - 0)**

**Ayes - Nancy Nevers, Karen Goodhue, Tim Bussineau, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

19. School Resource Officer 2020-2021

Item presented by Supervisor Janet Dunn.

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Kathy Smith to Motion to approve the School Resource Office for 2020 - 2021.**

**Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**TREASURER'S OFFICE:**

20. Discussion on sign ordinance

Item presented by Treasurer Karen Goodhue.

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to pass a resolution to not enforce time restrictions in the sign ordinance in regards to temporary signs until November 15, 2020.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Tim Bussineau, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

20a. Resolution to approve Pay as You Stay program for Macomb Township

Item presented by Treasurer Karen Goodhue.

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to pass the resolution to support the Stay as You Pay option to mitigate any increase in tax foreclosures in Macomb Township.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Tim Bussineau, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT:**

21. Request to set the 2020 Millage Rates

Item presented by Finance Director Stacy Smith

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Kristi Pozzi to set the 2020 Township General Operating Millage at 0.6389**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Kathy Smith to set the 2020 Fire Operating Millage at 2.0000**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Kathy Smith, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

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**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Kathy Smith to set the 2020 Fire Pension Millage at 0.1009**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Kathy Smith, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to set the 2020 Police Protection Millage at 1.5500**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Kristi Pozzi to set the 2020 Parks & Recreation Millage at 0.7784**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

22. Request to adopt the General Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2020/2021

Item presented by Finance Director Stacy Smith

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Karen Goodhue to adopt the General Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2020/2021**

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**Ayes - Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**BOARD COMMENTS:**

Trustees Comments

Trustee Oliver offered the following motion:

**MOTION by Charles Oliver seconded by Nancy Nevers to authorize the planner and supervisor develop a strategy for creating outdoor seating opportunities for local restaurants.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Charles Oliver, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Kathy Smith, Karen Goodhue, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

Trustee Nevers thanked Purchasing Specialist Janet Solomon for her assistance to the waste hauling committee.

Trustee Bussineau spoke about the Foley & Mansfield invoice, outside legal counsel and campaign contributions.

Treasurer Comments

Treasurer Goodhue has no comments.

Clerk Comments

Clerk Pozzi responded to comments made by another Board member. She went on to provide an update on August election preparations. All voters were sent a mail-in ballot application and may return them postage-free by using drop boxes at Town Hall and the Senior Center. All polling locations will be open on Election Day and personal protection

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equipment will be utilized. Election workers are also needed for both elections this year.

Supervisor Comments

Supervisor Dunn reported the march on Hall Road on June 6th was peaceful and is proud of Macomb Township residents.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Karen Goodhue to adjourn to Closed Session.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Kristi Pozzi, Karen Goodhue, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

The Board entered into Closed Session at 9:14 PM and reconvened into Open Session at 10:15 PM.

23. Discussion of Trial or Settlement Strategy Regarding Pending Litigation - Macomb County Circuit Court Case No. 19-3754-CZ. Closed session per MCL 15.268(e).

**MOTION by Karen Goodhue seconded by Nancy Nevers to authorize legal counsel to sign proposed consent judgement.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

**Ayes - Karen Goodhue, Nancy Nevers, Tim Bussineau, Charles Oliver, Kathy Smith, Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**

**Nays - None**

**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

24. **Add-On:** Consideration of the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of Employee #2199. Closed Session per MCL 15.268(a)

**MOTION by Charles Oliver seconded by Karen Goodhue to authorize legal counsel to sign proposed settlement agreement regarding Employee #2199.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**

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**Ayes - Charles Oliver, Karen Goodhue, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Kathy Smith,  
Kristi Pozzi, Janet Dunn**  
**Nays - None**  
**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION by Kristi Pozzi seconded by Karen Goodhue to adjourn the June 10, 2020  
Board meeting at 10:16 PM.**

**ROLL CALL Vote Summary: (7 - 0 - 0)**  
**Aye – Kristi Pozzi, Karen Goodhue, Tim Bussineau, Nancy Nevers, Charles Oliver,  
Kathy Smith, Janet Dunn**  
**Nay - None**  
**Abstain - None**

**THE MOTION Passed.**