

**SOUTH HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021**

Present: Stein, Wiatrowski, Kiry, DeGrandchamp, Bertorelli, and Lewandowski.

Absent: Fisher

The meeting was held online.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Stein at 7:30 p.m.

January 13, 2021 minutes were accepted as presented.

Gail Gladney gave a report from the Van Buren County Commission.

Motion by Wiatrowski, supported by Lewandowski, to accept the Agenda with the addition of 7.E. Resolution 21-04. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Supervisor Stein reported that the third meeting with Casco, the City of South Haven and LIAA regarding Coastal Management has not yet been scheduled.

Supervisor Stein reported that there is nothing new with the signs on the bridges at this time.

Supervisor Stein reported that the survey has been done at Deerlick Park, however he has not yet received a copy. Motion by Wiatrowski, supported by Lewandowski, to allow Supervisor Stein to act in the Township's best interest and deal with any encroachment issues when the survey comes back as we are in a deadline to deal with this. All voted in favor by roll call vote.

Supervisor Stein reported that the community group of South Haven City, Casco, Geneva and us are still in a study investigating options for high speed internet accessibility. Zach Morris of Market Van Buren said the County has a task force working with a consulting firm mapping areas that are lacking. After the mapping is done they will go to the next steps.

Motion by Wiatrowski, supported by DeGrandchamp, to open a Public Hearing for the purpose of considering an application for a Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption for property on Phoenix Road. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Zach Morris reported that Mahi Lodging Inc. has submitted an application for a Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption for the new Holiday Inn Express being built on Phoenix Road. The new lodge will cost \$7,000,000.00, create 25 jobs and be approximately 48,000 sq. ft. with 78 rooms. The County has submitted support for this project.

Motion by DeGrandchamp, supported by Wiatrowski, to close the Public Hearing. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion by DeGrandchamp, supported by Wiatrowski, to adopt Resolution 21-01. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewandowski, supported by Wiatrowski, to approve the application for Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption for Mahi Lodging, Inc. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion by Kiry, supported by DeGrandchamp, to adopt Resolution 21-02 Poverty Exemption Guidelines. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewandowski, supported by Wiatrowski, to adopt Resolution 21-03 Consumers Energy Franchise Agreement. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried. Supervisor Stein said that he will check with South Haven BPU to make sure there aren't any issues with this agreement.

Motion by Kiry, supported by DeGrandchamp, to approve the application from Heavenly Motors for a new dealership on M140 Hwy. Discussion was held about the traffic increase. All voted by roll call vote. Voting Yes: Bertorelli, Stein, Kiry, DeGrandchamp, and Lewandowski. Voting No: Wiatrowski. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewandowski, supported by Wiatrowski, to adopt Resolution 21-04 to allow residents to file with the Board of Review by mail. The date on the Resolution was changed. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Reports from various committees and authorities were received. W.C. Askew was in attendance for the Road Commission and Jean Stein reported for the Library.

Motion by Kiry, supported by Wiatrowski, to forward the Rezoning request from Karen Accera to the attorney to put into proper format for adoption. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion by Kiry, supported by Lewandowski, to approve payment of anticipated bills in the amount of \$68,108.01. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Brenda Bertorelli, Clerk

Ross Stein, Supervisor