

Regular Board Meeting  
Blackman Charter Township  
August 19, 2024

The Blackman Charter Township Board convened at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 19, 2024 at the Township Hall, 1990 West Parnall Road, Jackson, Michigan.

**Members present:** Supervisor Jancek, Clerk Elwell, Treasurer Preston, and Trustees: Williams, Pack

**Members absent:** Trustees: Ambs, Thomas

**Public Attendance:**

Ray Snell	Nate Edwards	Tim Curran
Nancy Smith	Richard Paajanen	Paul Mazanec

**CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS - (two-minute limit)**

1. **Nate Edwards**, *running for Northwest School Board*
  - a. Stressed the importance of putting education first and protecting children
2. **Tim Curran**, *running for Northwest School Board*
  - a. Concerned with education proficiency to help kids succeed
  - b. Vocational education
3. **Ray Snell**, *9<sup>th</sup> District County Commissioner*
  - a. Jackson County jail operations millage in November
  - b. Jackson County Fair report
4. **Nancy Smith**, *representing Sue Shink*
  - a. 2024 event schedule report

**ADDITIONS / DELETIONS**

1. No additions/deletions  
Motion by Clerk Elwell, supported by Trustee Pack to approve the Board of Trustee agenda for the Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, August 19, 2024.  
***Unanimously approved by voice vote***

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

1. No changes/corrections.  
Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Trustee Williams to approve the Board of Trustee minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, July 15, 2024.  
***Unanimously approved by voice vote***

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Rehmann**, *Nathan Baldermann*
  - a. Overview of Audit
  - b. Audit Completed on time
  - c. No findings. No deficiencies
2. **Waste Management**, *Engineers; Richard Paajanen and Paul Mazanec*
  - a. Submitted an application to Jackson County on August 9<sup>th</sup> to vertically expand the McGill Road Landfill

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of payroll for the dates 7/05/24 in the amount of \$164,929.07 and for 7/19/24 in the amount of \$197,437.28.
2. Approve \$400,000.00 transfer of funds from General Fund to Public Safety Fund for the month of July 2024.
3. Receive Revenue and Expenditure Report for the month of July 2024
4. Receive and Approve Final Audit Revenue and Expenditure Report for year ending 12/31/2023

Motioned by Treasurer Preston, supported by Clerk Elwell

**Roll Call:** *Ayes - Elwell, Pack, Williams, Jancek, Preston*

*Nays - None                      Motion Approved*

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

1. Painting of township buildings
2. Parking lot repairs at township office

TREASURER'S UPDATE

1. Tax Collection time
2. Met with Sue Shink to discuss changing the way taxes are collected from trailer parks

CLERK'S UPDATE

1. Election Update
  - a. Early Voting - statistics
  - b. Election Day - statistics
  - c. Election Day - November 5, 2024, preparations

PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Retirement Celebration for Officer Thomas Brower

PLANNING COMMISSION

1. Master Plan Updating
2. Denied Case#1575

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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PARKS & RECREATION

1. Bathroom on order
2. Applying for the Hurst Foundation Grant

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

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UTILITIES COMMITTEE

1. EGLE has changed requirements/rules for lead service line testing.
  - a. 18 service lines to dig to ensure no lead lines exist.
2. Dettman Sewer Repair Agreement – Discussion
3. Utilities Clerk updated work schedule from full-time to part-time, effective August 25, 2024

ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

**LARGE EVENTS AND LARGE & SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION** Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Clerk Elwell to approve Second Reading of Large Events Ordinance and Large & Special Events Permit Application.

**Roll Call:** Ayes - Jancek, Elwell, Preston, Pack, Williams  
Nays - None Motion Approved

**FIREWORKS** Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Trustee Williams to approve Second Reading of Fireworks Ordinance

**Roll Call:** Ayes - Jancek, Preston, Pack, Elwell, Williams  
Nays - None Motion Approved

**DISORDERLY PERSONS** Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Clerk Elwell to approve Second Reading of Disorderly Persons Ordinance

**Roll Call:** Ayes - Williams, Preston Jancek, Elwell, Pack  
Nays - None Motion Approved

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mission Statement – First Read Draft
  - a. Add agriculture

BILLS

Motion by Treasurer Preston, supported by Trustee Pack to approve payment of bills on the Board Invoice Post Audit Report dated 8/07/24 in the amount of \$307,972.27 and the Board Invoice Report dated 8/20/24 in the amount of \$311,839.69

**Roll Call:** Ayes - Jancek, Williams, Pack, Elwell, Preston  
Nays - None Motion Approved

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute limit)

1. **Tim Curran**, running for Northwest School Board
  - a. Improve proficiency
2. **Nate Edwards**, running for Northwest School Board
  - a. Believes school has the responsibility to teach and prepare students for the future
  - b. NW has a 90% graduation rate but only 50% preparedness for continuing education

OPEN DISCUSSION

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*The Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.*



David Elwell, Township Clerk