

**Charter Township of Orion**  
Oakland County, Michigan

**Environmental Resources Committee Minutes**  
Regular Meeting, Thursday, December 1, 2016  
**Orion Center**

1. Call to order by the Chairperson, George Hanley, at 7:10 pm.
2. Roll call: George Hanley, Beth Sheridan, Mike Flood, Corrina Womack, Michael J. DeLuca
3. Determination of a quorum: Yes
4. Regular order of business:
  - a) **Approval of minutes** from November 2016 meeting: George Hanley moved to approve. Mike DeLuca seconded. Motion passed.
  - b) **Approval of agenda**: Mike Flood requested adding a Membership item to New Business. Mike DeLuca corrected "October" to "November". Beth Sheridan moved to approve the agenda as amended, George Hanley seconded. Motion passed.
5. Pending business:
  - a) **OTERC website / Facebook page / file sharing update**: Mike Flood reports that township lawyer says OTERC can't have an independent facebook page, all social media presence directly pertaining to the township or its entities must be directly reviewed by the trustees. Mike DeLuca agreed to delete the page and strategize about alternative solutions, using the committee members' personal accounts to post information to existing Orion Township social media pages, and will also edit his Facebook slide for our presentation to the board to reflect the changes. George Hanley proposed following up about this with Chris Barnett. Mike DeLuca had no progress to report about updating the website, but Mike Flood explained that the membership term limits and seat appointments have indeed been updated correctly; if someone new takes over a seat that was previously occupied, they assume the previous occupant's term-end date. Mike DeLuca gave a brief tutorial on how to use the OTERC shared Google Drive.
  - b) **2017 Events and Community Outreach Plans** - George Hanley proposed to defer this topic until we get to it in context of board presentation.
  - c) **NoHaz Update**: Mike Flood explained that CRT disposal cost increased from \$10 to \$15, but that cost is being absorbed by the township. The committee discussed locations and dates for 2017; the NoHaz event can't take place at any location when any other event is taking place at the same time, to avoid traffic conflicts. Mike Flood mentioned a proposal and efforts underway to add a third lane at locations where space is available. Beth Sheridan asked about publicizing the NoHaz poster contest to the schools; Mike Flood will email her that information. Corinna Womack offered to scan this information and share it with school PTOs.
6. New Business
  - a) **2017 Meeting Schedule** - Mike Flood suggested only ten meeting dates in 2017 instead of 12. George Hanley proposed taking out the months of April and December, and meeting the other ten first Thursdays in the Orion Center. Beth Sheridan pointed out that April is the road cleanup and potentially the GreenUp, and suggested skipping a July meeting instead. Mike Flood will check on room availability.
  - b) **Membership** - Mike Flood reports that the Township will ask Rodney Tocco to renew his expiring membership, but Madeleine Braley will not be renewing her membership, so the committee needs

to seek another member. Corinna Womack proposed looking for a high school student to fulfill their community service hours, or a boy scout, and will follow up on this.

- c) **OTERC presentation to BOT** - Due to Harold Flood's unavailability this month and the powerpoint presentation document remaining incomplete, George Hanley and Mike Flood discussed and proposed pushing the dry run of the presentation back to January and having the actual presentation at the Board of Trustees meeting on January 17th, 7-9 PM, at the board room in the town hall. Mike Flood says this means we'd have to have the presentation to the township by January 10th. George Hanley spoke about his notes and ideas for the presentation and will share those with Mike DeLuca, who will compile them into the existing presentation document.

#### 7. Committee Comments

- George Hanley says he has been discussing plans with Aaron Whately for 2017's GreenUp to be scheduled in April.
- Regarding Carpenter Elementary's green initiatives, Beth Sheridan offers to contact school secretaries and ask about recycling policies, so we can make more of a push in that part of the presentation to get the idea out for other schools to do the same.

#### 8. Adjournment

Beth Sheridan moved that we adjourn, Mike Flood seconded the motion; motion approved at 8:25 PM.

#### **Next meeting:**

**Thursday, January 5, 2017, 7:00-9:00 pm  
Orion Center, Lower Level, Arts & Crafts Room**