

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GEORGETOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD MARCH 22, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Wierenga at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer for guidance by Jim Wierenga

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Members present: Jim Wierenga, Ryan Kidd, Katherine Henry, Becky Steele, John Schwalm, Michael Bosch

Also present: Daniel Carlton, Township Superintendent

Absent: Gary Veldink

#210322-01 - Agenda as presented for March 22, 2021

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210322-02 – Communications, letters and reports: Received for information, to be filed:

- a. [January 2021](#) and [February 2021](#) Sheriff Department Reports
- b. [January and February 2021](#) Fire Report
- c. [Balance Sheet](#) and [GL Report](#)

#210322-03 - Public Hearing and Approval of an Application for IFEC (ACT 198), for Automated Machine Systems, Inc., 6651 Pine Ridge Court, Jenison, MI, 49428, P.P. # 70-14-22-477-003. ([application](#))

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to open the public hearing.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Kris Chayer, president of Automated Machine Systems, was present and made public comments. Greg King, Lakeshore Advantage, was also present.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to close the public hearing.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Michael Bosch, seconded by Becky Steele, to approve the following resolution:

**HEARING FOR APPLICATION FOR I.F.E.C.
(ACT 198) FOR Automated Machine Systems, Inc.,
6651 Pine Ridge Court, Jenison, MI, 49428, P.P. # 70-14-22-477-003**

Whereas, Act 198 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1974, as amended, authorized the Township to approve application for industrial facilities exemption certificate; and

Whereas, pursuant to Act 198, and after a duly noticed public hearing held on May 28, 1996, this township established the "Industrial District," for the property listed below:

Automated Machine Systems, Inc., 6651 Pine Ridge Court, Jenison, MI, 49428, P.P. # 70-14-22-477-003, Jenison, MI, Georgetown Township

Whereas, **Automated Machine Systems Inc.**, hereinafter referred to as "applicant", has filed an application for an industrial facilities exemption certificate under the provisions of Act 198 and this township set March 22, 2021, at 7:00 PM or after, local time, as the time to give the Township Assessor and a representative of each affected taxing unit an opportunity to be heard regarding said application as amended; and

Whereas, written notification of this hearing has been given to the Township Assessor and to the legislative body of each taxing unit which levies ad valorem taxes within the township; and

Whereas, the Township Assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units have been given an opportunity to be heard with regard to the approval of an industrial facility exemption certificate for the applicant; and

Whereas, there were no objections to the approval of the industrial facilities exemption certificate at the meeting held on March 22, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Township Board of Georgetown Charter Township as follows:

1. That this Township Board finds:
 - a) The proposed facility is located within an industrial development district which was duly established in Georgetown Township upon request or on the Township's own initiative, taken before commencement of the restoration, replacement, or construction of the facility.
 - b) That completion of the facility shall not have the effect of transferring employment from another community within the State of Michigan to Georgetown Charter Township.
 - c) That the aggregate State Equalized Value of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes under Act 198 does not exceed 5% of the total State Equalized Value of the township plus the State Equalized Value of real and personal property thus exempted.
 - d) That the granting of industrial facilities exemption certificate, considered together with the aggregate amount of industrial facilities exemption certificates previously granted and currently in force, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the township of impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit which levied an ad valorem property tax in the township.

- 2. That the application of the applicant for an industrial facilities exemption certificate with regard to facilities set forth in the application to be constructed in the district be and is hereby approved for a period of twelve (12) years.

Yeas: Jim Wierenga, Ryan Kidd, Katherine Henry, Becky Steele, John Schwalm, Michael Bosch

Nays: None

Absent: Gary Veldink

Note: All notices were sent and were published

MOTION CARRIED AND RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Ryan Kidd, Clerk

I, Ryan Kidd, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular board meeting held March 22, 2021.

Ryan Kidd, Clerk
Georgetown Charter Township

#210322-04 – Public Comments for items remaining on the agenda

There were members of the public in attendance, but there were no public comments.

#210322-05 - Consent agenda

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to grant the following.

- a. Approval of minutes of the previous board meeting on February 22, 2021.
- b. Approval of the regular monthly bills for [March 22, 2021](#).

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210322-06 – Revised Poverty Exemption Policy

Moved by Michael Bosch, seconded by Ryan Kidd, to approve the [Revised Poverty Exemption Policy](#), as recommended by the Finance Committee.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210322-07 – Schedule Public Hearing for Sunset Manor, Inc. Waterford Place Campus Project

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to approve scheduling a public hearing on the Project Plan, and to direct the [publication of notice of such hearing](#), as required by the Georgetown Township Economic Development Corporation Act, in the form of the notice provided by the Sunset Manor, Inc. Bond Counsel and approved by the EDC Bond Counsel, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Note: Sunset Manor, Inc., is looking to move ahead with their Waterford Place Campus expansion project. A Public Hearing is needed to proceed.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210322-08 – Public Comment

There were no public comments.

#210322-09 – Discussion and General information

There was board discussion.

#210322-10 - Meeting Adjourned

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Jim Wierenga, Supervisor

Ryan Kidd, Clerk