

Johnstown Township Minutes

13641 South M-37 Highway. Battle Creek Michigan 49017

Special Board Meeting
Blight Ordinance and other pertinent business
August 16, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.

Special Board Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Supervisor Barbara Earl, Clerk Sheri Babcock, Treasurer Karmen Nickerson, Trustee Jeff Warren, Trustee Deana Powell

Absent: None

Visitors: (14) Fourteen

Agenda: A motion was made by Warren to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Powell. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Warren wanted to clarify to the public that contrary to information going around, we have not adopted Litter Ordinance at this point.

With review of the Draft copy we need clarification on:

- Permits for extension in Section III C
- Section V – fines and adding to property taxes

Policies and Procedures – we find we do want:

- Process to be complaint driven
- Based on health and safety issues
- Be aware of timing issues – cases will have to start over once the Ordinance is adopted.

Public Comments:


- A resident commented refuse encroaching on the roadway and causing traffic issues.
- A resident also commented on the difficulty of defining what is “blight”.

Next special meeting to continue process: August 28, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

Adjournment: A motion by Powell to adjourn the Special Board Meeting at 5:49 p.m. Seconded by Warren. All ayes. Motion carried.

Attested to by:

Barbara Earl, Supervisor



Sheri Babcock, Clerk