

PENINSULA TOWNSHIP

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Township Board Special Meeting

August 28, 2023, 1:30 p.m.

Grand Rapids District Court

110 Michigan St. NW, Grand

Rapids, MI 49503

(also known as Ford Federal Building)

Minutes

1. **Call to Order** by Wunsch at 1:40 p.m.

2. **Pledge**

3. **Roll Call**

Present: Wunsch, Sanger, Shanafelt, Chown

Absent: Rudolph, Achorn

Also present: Cram

4. **Citizen Comments:** none

5. **Approve Agenda:**

Sanger moved to approve the agenda with a second by Shanafelt.

Motion approved by consensus

6. **Conflict of Interest:** none

7. **Consent Agenda:** none

Business:

1. Settlement conference

Chown moved to enter closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) and (h) to discuss litigation strategy regarding pending *WOMP v Peninsula Township*, which, if discussed in open session, would cause a financial detriment to the township board and a confidential written legal opinion regarding aspects of the ongoing lawsuit with a second by Shanafelt.

Roll call vote: yes – Wunsch, Sanger, Shanafelt, Chown

Passed unan

Wunsch moved to leave closed session to discuss settlement proposals with Magistrate Kent with a second by Chown.

Roll call vote: yes – Sanger, Shanafelt, Chown, Wunsch

Passed unan

Kent: would the township board consider allowing the attorneys [McGraw and Rajsic] to leave the room so that a one-on-one discussion between the board and magistrate can occur? He would also present this proposal to the wineries and PTP.

Board agreement.

Attorneys left and discussion occurred.

Kent left. Attorneys returned.

Chown moved to re-open the closed session with a second by Shanafelt.

Roll call vote: yes – Shanafelt, Chown, Wunsch, Sanger

Passed unan

Sanger moved to come out of closed session with a second by Shanafelt.

Pased unan

8. Citizen Comments: none

9. Board Comments: none

10. Adjournment:

Chown moved to adjourn with a second by Shanafelt.

Motion approved by consensus.

Adjourned at 5:21 p.m.