

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2010**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, March 15, 2010.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Wright at 7:08 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL BY CLERK BEREZCZ:**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Wright, Clerk Berezcz, Treasurer Linko, and Trustees: Eberth, Taft, Walters, and Warren. Also in attendance were Public Safety Director Sclater, Fire Chief Drouillard, Recreation Director Maxe, Economic Development Manager DiSanto, Building Official Earl, Assessor Iott, and Township Attorney Foley.

**MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:**

Motion of Eberth, supported by Taft, to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2010; the Work Session Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2010, as submitted; and the Work Session Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2010, as amended. All voting aye.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Motion of Taft, supported by Warren, to approve the Agenda of March 15, 2010, as submitted. All voting aye.

**PRESENTATION:**

Brian White of the U.S. Census Bureau gave an overview of Census 2010.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Public Forum was held at 7:17 p.m. There was no public comment.

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #308 – REGISTRATION OF VACANT PROPERTIES:**

Motion of Warren, supported by Taft, to approve and adopt the Second Reading of Ordinance #308 – Registration of Vacant Properties for the purposes of assuring code compliance and maintenance. Roll call vote: Eberth, aye; Taft, aye; Walters, aye; Linko, aye; Warren, aye; Berezcz, aye; and Wright, aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEE SCHEDULES:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Linko, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-05 to establish Inspection and Service Fees for Building and Zoning, Electrical, Mechanical, Planning Services, Plumbing, Zoning Board of Appeals, Fees for Applications to Schedule Special Meetings, Licenses, and Fire Code Enforcement. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Berezcz, aye; Walters, aye; Linko, aye; Taft, aye; Eberth, aye; and Wright, aye. Motion carried.

**POST 65 RETIREE HEALTH CARE DISCUSSION:**

Motion of Eberth, supported by Linko, to approve to change the agent of record to Tom Mercure and change to United American Insurance from Blue Cross/Blue Shield for the post-65 retirees group. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Linko, aye; Eberth, aye; Warren, aye; Taft, nay; Berezcz, nay; and Wright, aye. Motion carried.

**PEDDLER PERMIT RENEWAL – DANIEL BABALA, GLASS MECHANIC, INC:**

Motion of Berez, supported by Taft, to approve the Peddler's Permit Renewal for mobile windshield repair as requested by Daniel Babala, 26371 Judy Circle, Brownstown, MI 48174. All voting aye.

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION MEMORIAL DAY PARADE PERMIT REQUEST – MAY 30, 2010:**

Motion of Berez, supported by Warren, to approve a parade permit for the Royal Canadian Legion Post 92 Annual Memorial Day Parade to be held on Sunday, May 30, 2010, from Oak Ridge Cemetery to the U.A.W. Hall, 24250 Telegraph Road, beginning at 10:45 a.m. until 12 noon, with the Brownstown police and fire departments lending assistance. All voting aye.

**SUPERVISOR:**

**APPROVAL TO RETAIN TAX MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES FOR AUDIT OF GREATER DETROIT AUTO AUCTION:**

Motion of Warren, supported by Taft, to approve retaining Tax Management Associates for an audit of the personal property at the Greater Detroit Auto Auction facility, for a fee not to exceed \$1,500.00. The cost for this audit would be shared between the Assessing and the Treasurer's office. All voting aye.

**PURCHASE DIGITAL RECORDING EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

Motion of Eberth, supported by Taft, to approve purchasing digital recording equipment for the police department from DSS Corporation for \$20,250.00 with the Downriver Community Conference (DCC) C.O.P.S. grant. No matching funds are required. All voting aye.

Motion of Eberth, supported by Warren, to receive the balance of the Supervisor's Report as submitted which consists of the February 2010 DRANO Report. All voting aye.

**CLERK:**

Motion of Taft, supported by Linko, to accept the Clerk's Report as submitted which consists of Disbursements. All voting aye.

**TREASURER:**

**DISBURSEMENTS – \$1,166,911.77:**

Motion of Warren, supported by Taft, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$308,984.44; Fire Protection in the amount of \$202,366.13; Police Operations in the amount of \$247,556.70; Downtown Development in the amount of \$45,929.16; Fire Capital in the amount of \$15,514.83; Road Capital in the amount of \$1,519.00; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$1,170.00; Drug Forfeiture in the amount of \$1,399.20; Building Authority in the amount of \$250.00; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$92,574.24; Water Fund in the amount of \$207,363.85; Vehicle Maintenance in the amount of \$11,393.13; and Retiree Insurance in the amount of \$30,891.09, for a total amount of \$1,166,911.77. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Taft, aye; Linko, aye; Eberth, aye; Warren, aye; Berez, aye; and Wright, aye. Motion carried.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:**

**REINO LINEN, 18400 TELEGRAPH – PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION RESOLUTION:**

Motion of Berez, supported by Warren, to approve the agreement for Reino Linen for a personal property tax exemption, and approve and adopt Resolution #2010-06 approving the application of Reino Linen Service, located at 18400 Telegraph Road, for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate. This exemption would relieve 100 percent of the personal property tax for a six-year period ending December 31, 2014, pursuant to Public Act 328. Roll call vote: Eberth, aye; Warren, aye; Linko, aye; Taft, nay; Walters, aye; Berez, aye; and Wright, aye. Motion carried.

**ASHLEY CAPITAL AGREEMENT – FIRE TRAINING AT 18704 DIX-TOLEDO, SPROUT FARM:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to approve the agreement for the demolition of the structure owned by Ashley Capital at 18704 Dix-Toledo Road by the Brownstown Township Fire Department for training purposes and activities. Ashley Capital will donate \$5,000.00 to the fire department to facilitate the demolition of the structure. Ashley Capital will also donate \$45,000.00 to the Township to facilitate training, cover other departmental costs, and to pay for the associated clean-up. In addition, this donation shall be used to pay 21<sup>st</sup> Century Salvage, Inc. for the work. Ashley Capital shall also be responsible for any additional costs exceeding the \$45,000.00. All voting aye.

Motion of Walters, supported by Eberth, to receive the balance of the Community Services Department Report which consists of the Zoning Enforcement Log of February 2010. All voting aye.

**RECREATION:**

**BID AWARD – 2010 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE:**

Motion of Berez, supported by Warren, to concur with the recommendation of Recreation Director Maxe in a memo dated March 15, 2010, and approve the bid award for 2010 Grounds Maintenance per attached bid tabulation with recommendation to be attached to the meeting minutes. All voting aye.

Motion of Berez, supported by Warren, to accept the balance of the Recreation Report which consists of Community Center Summary; 2010 Winter Programs; 2010 Spring Programs; and Senior Programs. All voting aye.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**APPROVE PETTY CASH REIMBURSEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$167.72:**

Motion of Eberth, supported by Walters, to approve petty cash reimbursement in the amount of \$167.72. All voting aye.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion of Taft, supported by Linko, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:55 p.m. All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berez, Clerk  
Charter Township of Brownstown

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