

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2010**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Tuesday, September 7, 2010.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Linko at 7:00 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL BY CLERK BEREZCZ:**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Linko, Clerk Berezcz, and Treasurer Warren. Trustees: Cronin, Taft and Walters. Also in attendance were Fire Chief Drouillard, Public Safety Director Sclater, DPW Director Gahry, Recreation Director Maxe, Economic Development Manager DiSanto, and Township Attorney Foley.

**ABSENT AND EXCUSED:** Trustee Eberth.

**MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the Special Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2010, Closed Session Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2010, and the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2010, as submitted. All present voting aye.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve the Agenda of September 7, 2010, as submitted. All present voting aye.

**PRESENTATION: RECOGNITION OF BROWNSTOWN'S 2010 DOWNRIVER SENIOR OLYMPIANS:**

Recreation Director Maxe gave a brief recognition to the participants of the 2010 Downriver Senior Olympians.

**PRESENTATION; MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION:**

Lt. Zurawski and Lt. VanWallaghen presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Marlow's for allowing the Firefighters to host a fundraiser that brought in over \$1,100.00 in one night. Lt. McMenemy presented the MDA with a check for \$9,596.00.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Public Forum was held from 7:15 p.m. to 7:55 p.m.

**CONDITIONAL REZONING RECOMMENDATION – PARTS GALORE, 19845 TELEGRAPH:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to deny the request for Conditional Rezoning for Parts Galore at 19845 Telegraph Road. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Taft, aye; Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Berezcz, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF .5714 MILLS FOR SHVUA SEWER SYSTEM PLANT EXPANSION BONDS:**

Motion of Berezcz, supported by Taft, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-19 renewal of .5714 mills for SHVUA Sewer System Plant Expansion Bonds. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Berezcz, aye; Walters, aye; Taft, aye; Cronin, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF 4.4877 MILLS FOR ASSESSED PROPERTY:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Berez, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-18 of 4.4877 mills upon the taxable real and personal property of said Township of the year 2010 as follows: .8705 mill for General Township Operation, 1.7410 mills for Police Department Operation, .4772 mill for Police Department Capital, .4772 mill for Fire Department Capital, .4772 mill for Road Improvement Capital, .4446 mill for 2010 Environmental Protection Act Final Judgment Levy payment for Downriver Sewage Disposal Financing Plan, and same be placed on December 2010 tax statements. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Taft, aye; Walters, aye; Berez, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and Excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION – TAXABLE VALUES:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Taft, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-17 for Taxable Values for the Charter Township of Brownstown. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Berez, aye; Cronin, aye; Taft, aye; Warren, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

**PROCLAMATION – SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2010:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to proclaim September 10, 2010, as Suicide Prevention Day. All present voting aye.

**PROCLAMATION – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to proclaim September, 2010 as Domestic Violence Awareness month. All present voting aye.

**BEAUTIFICATION/HISTORICAL COMMISSION APPOINTMENT – RICK WHITECOTTON:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Berez, to approve to appoint Rick Whitecotton to the Beautification/Historical Commission with a term ending January 1, 2011. All present voting aye.

**U.S. SILICA COMPANY – 2010 ANNUAL BLASTING PERMIT RENEWAL:**

Motion of Berez, supported by Taft, to approve the 2010-2011 Class A Blasting Permit Annual Renewal for a twelve (12) month period from September 18, 2010 through September 17, 2011 to U.S. Silica Company in accordance with Ordinance #232-3. All present voting aye.

**SUPERVISOR:**

**BOARD APPROVAL FOR APPARATUS EQUIPMENT REPAIR – ENGINE 1851:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to approve the equipment repair for Engine 1851 in the amount of \$4,048.13. The funds for this repair will be charged to the fire department account. All present voting aye.

Motion of Berez, supported by Cronin, to accept the balance of the Supervisor’s report which consists of DRANO reports fro May, June, and July 2010. All present voting aye.

**CLERK:**

**REQUEST TO HIRE EDWARD SMITH TO FILL THE VACANT HUMAN RESOURCE/PAYROLL POSITION:**

Motion of Taft, supported by Berez, to approve to hire Edward Smith to fill the vacant Human Resource/Payroll position. Roll call vote: Berez, aye; Warren, nay; Cronin, nay; Taft, aye; Walters, nay; and Linko, nay. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion failed.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve to form a committee consisting of the Supervisor, Treasurer, and a surrogate for the Clerk, to review existing files and publish in the News Herald for any other applicants with a two (2) week period from September 7, 2010, to September 21, 2010, to respond and accept applications for the Human Resource/Payroll position. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Berez, nay; Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Linko, aye; and Taft, nay. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

**ELECTION COMMISSION BOARD:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Taft, to accept the resignation from Treasurer Warren as Election Commissioner and appoint Trustee Cronin as her replacement. All present voting aye.

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to receive the balance of the Clerk's Report which includes the following: Letter from Department of Transportation regarding the widening of Telegraph Road (US-24), Comcast correspondence – changes in channel lineup, and Disbursements. All present voting aye.

**TREASURER:**

**DISBURSEMENTS - \$1,608,775.79:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$259,880.65; Fire Protection in the amount of \$193,242.20; Police Operations in the amount of \$225,392.08; Capital Projects in the amount of \$1,603.11; Downtown Development in the amount of \$92,576.64; Police Capital Approval in the amount of \$1,348.08; Road Capital Approval in the amount of \$1,260.40; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$18,413.00; Drug Forfeiture in the amount of \$1,636.00; Debt Service in the amount of \$6,148.96; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$678,678.64; Water Fund in the amount of \$84,215.09; Vehicle Maintenance in the amount of \$10,344.51; School and County in the amount of \$2,040.00; and Retiree Insurance in the amount of \$31,996.43, for a total amount of \$1,608,775.79. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Taft, aye; Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Berez, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

**MiDeal MEMBERSHIP:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to approve payment for Annual Membership to MiDeal in the amount of \$115.00. All present voting aye.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

**CONDITIONAL REZONING – THREE HERMANOS RESTAURANT, 33019 W. JEFFERSON:**

Motion of Berez, supported by Taft, to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation to approve Conditional Rezoning to allow additional parking at Three Hermanos Restaurant on vacant lots 46 and 47 on Huron River Drive behind 33019 W. Jefferson. All present voting aye.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONAL USE – WINNERS AUTO & CYCLE, 17700 TELEGRAPH:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Taft, to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation and approve Special Conditional Use to allow the transfer of a Dealer license for Gary Lowe, Winners Auto & Cycle, 17700 Telegraph. All present voting aye.

**RECREATION:**

**BID AWARD – WOODLAND HEIGHTS PARK PLAYGROUND:**

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to concur with the recommendation of Recreation Director Maxe and approve to award the bid for the Wayne County Parks Millage Grant funded Woodland Heights Park Playground to Playworld Midstates, not to exceed \$44,949.00. All present voting aye.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to accept the balance of the Recreation Department Report which includes the following: Community Center Update, 2010 Summer Programs, 2010 Fall Programs, and Senior Programs. All present voting aye.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**REQUEST TO APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR THE SOUTH HURON VALLEY UTILITY AUTHORITY (SHUVA) SLUDGE TANK PROJECT:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve Resolution #2010-20 for the South Huron Valley Utility Authority Sludge Tank Project. Roll call vote: Berez, aye; Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Taft, aye; Walters, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

**REQUEST APPROVAL FOR SOUTH HURON VALLEY UTILITY AUTHORITY BRIDGE LOAN:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve the South Huron Valley Utility Authority Bridge Loan in the amount of \$750,000.00. Roll call vote: Berez, aye; Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Taft, aye; Walters, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Eberth. Motion carried.

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the balance of the Public Works Department Report which consists of Wade-Trim Engineering Status Report. All present voting aye.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion of Taft, supported by Warren, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 8:30 p.m. All present voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berez, Clerk  
Charter Township of Brownstown

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