

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING OF MARCH 7, 2011**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, March 7, 2011.

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, Eberth, and Taft. Also in attendance were Public Safety Director Sclater, Fire Chief Drouillard, Economic Development Manager DiSanto, and Township Attorney Foley.

ABSENT AND EXCUSED: Trustee Walters.

MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2011, as submitted; and to amend the Special Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2011, and the Closed Session Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2011, to reflect the discussion of AFSCME negotiations. Ayes: Warren, Eberth, Cronin, and Linko. Nays: None. Abstain: Berezcz and Taft. Absent and excused: Walters. Motion carried.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion of Warren, supported by Eberth, to approve the Agenda of March 7, 2011, with the addition of Item #3A – Ratification of MAP contract. All present voting aye.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public forum was held at 7:09 p.m. There was no public participation.

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE #227-12; TO AMEND ORDINANCE #227 – DISORDERLY PERSON:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #227-12; to amend Ordinance #227, Article 3, Section 105.300, which defines additional violations of the Disorderly Person Ordinance, and to add Article 16.5, Section 105.1650, larceny by conversion, to same. All present voting aye.

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE #272-2; TO AMEND ORDINANCE #272 – NOISE CONTROL:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Berezcz, to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #272-2; to amend Ordinance #272, “Noise Control”, to provide for the reductions of some violations from misdemeanors to civil infractions and other amendments. All present voting aye.

AFSCME LOCAL 6145 – UNION CONTRACT:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the AFSCME Local 6145 union contract. Roll call vote: Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Berezcz, aye; Eberth, aye; Taft, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Walters. Motion carried.

RATIFICATION OF MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF POLICE (MAP) CONTRACT:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Warren, to approve the ratification of the Michigan Association of Police (MAP) contract. Roll call vote: Eberth, aye; Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Berezcz, aye; Taft, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Walters. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR:

No Supervisor's Report submitted.

CLERK:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Eberth, to accept the Clerk's Report which includes the following: Wayne County Sponsored Household Hazardous Waste Collections – March 26, 2011, in Belleville and June 18, 2011, in Dearborn; Comcast correspondence regarding price changes; and Disbursements. All present voting aye.

TREASURER:

DISBURSEMENTS – \$1,099,364.80:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Taft, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$278,154.37; Fire Protection in the amount of \$65,792.87; Police Operations in the amount of \$92,498.29; Capital Projects in the amount of \$12,552.00; Downtown Development in the amount of \$73,585.38; Police Capital in the amount of \$620.00; Fire Capital in the amount of \$4,998.51; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$1,915.00; Drug Forfeiture in the amount of \$162.32; Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$6,148.96; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$423,425.73; Water Fund in the amount of \$97,858.71; Vehicle Maintenance in the amount of \$4,414.84; and Retiree Insurance in the amount of \$37,237.82, for a total amount of \$1,099,364.80. Roll call vote: Taft, aye; Cronin, aye; Eberth, aye; Warren, aye; Berez, aye; and Linko, aye. Absent and excused: Walters. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

SOLAR PROJECT BID AWARD:

Motion of Warren, supported by Eberth, to concur with the recommendation of the Downtown Development Authority and approve the proposal of Rahourn/MMS for the solar project in an amount not to exceed \$355,572.22 with funds to come from Account #248.729.980.300. All present voting aye.

POLICE DISPATCH CENTER:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to concur with the DDA recommendation and approve Herkimer Radio of Monroe, Michigan, to receive \$35,719.59 for renovation of the Police Department Dispatch Center inclusive of furniture and electrical services, and approve Gardiner Vose to receive \$5,890.00 for floor replacement of the dispatch center, for a total amount not to exceed \$41,609.59 with funds to come from Account #248.729.9749. All present voting aye.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Cronin, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Charter Township of Brownstown and the Downtown Development Authority for Public Safety Services. All present voting aye.

EMPLOYMENT EXTENSION – KAITLYN CAMPBELL:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Taft, to approve to hire Kaitlyn Campbell as the DDA Assistant Director contingent upon successful completion of a physical and background check, at an annual salary of \$41,600.00, and to indicate under item #4a3 of her contract that health insurance will not be provided and no buyout will be offered. All present voting aye.

MARKETING PARTNERSHIP PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT:

Motion of Taft, supported by Eberth, to approve the Marketing Partnership Participation Agreement between Ashley Capital, the Charter Township of Brownstown, and the Downtown Development Authority. All present voting aye.

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to receive the balance of the Community Services Department Report which consists of the Downtown Development Authority meeting minutes of January 20, 2011. All present voting aye.

RECREATION:

BID AWARD – 2011 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve to award the 2011 Grounds Maintenance bid to Louie's Landscaping, Brownstown, Michigan, for an amount not to exceed \$37,860.00 for the various Brownstown properties. All present voting aye.

Motion of Warren, supported by Taft, to receive the balance of the Recreation Department Report which includes the following: Community Center Update, 2011 Winter Programs, 2011 Spring Programs, and Senior Programs. All present voting aye.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No DPW Report submitted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Taft, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:25 p.m. All present voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berecz, Clerk
Charter Township of Brownstown

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