

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2011**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, December 5, 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, Taft, and Walters. Also in attendance were Public Safety Director Sclater, Fire Chief Drouillard, Building Official Earl, DPW Director Gahry, and Township Attorney Foley.

MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2011, as submitted. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion of Warren, supported by Berezcz, to approve the Agenda of December 5, 2011, with the addition of Item #5A – Resolution – Agreement for Long Term Storm Water Facilities Maintenance for Arsenal Road Ball Field. All voting aye.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public forum was held from 7:02 p.m. to 7:05 p.m.

2nd READING ORDINANCE #227-13; TO AMEND ORDINANCE #227 – POSSESSION OR USE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve and adopt the 2nd Reading of Ordinance #227-13; to amend Ordinance #227 – concerning the possession or use of controlled substances to reflect the current State of Michigan standards of scheduled controlled substances. Roll call vote: Taft, aye; Berezcz, aye; Warren, aye; Walters, aye; Eberth, aye; Cronin, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

2nd READING ORDINANCE #115-3; TO AMEND ORDINANCE #115 – PEDDLERS AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance #115-3; to amend Ordinance #115, Section 24, “Peddlers and Transient Merchants; Licensing and Regulation”, to revise license issuance procedures and to include civil infraction violations as penalties. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Berezcz, aye; Walters, aye; Taft, aye; Cronin, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to approve and adopt Resolution #2011-37 for Regularly Scheduled Meetings. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Berezcz, aye; Cronin, aye; Walters, aye; Eberth, aye; Taft, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

2012 WAGE RESOLUTION:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve and adopt the 2012 Wage Resolution #2011-38 as follows:

To designate the salary of the Election Inspectors in the amount of \$120 per day (6 a.m. to 9 p.m.) and the prevailing minimum wage after 9 p.m.; \$170 per day for Precinct Chairperson; \$150 per day for Precinct Co-Chairperson; and School of Instruction at \$30 per day;

To designate the salary of Board of Canvassers and Board of Review in the amount of \$75.00 per day;

To designate the salary of Beautification/Historical Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Commission, and Recreation Commission in the amount of \$20 per meeting with \$25 per meeting for Chairperson;

To designate the salary of Electrical and Heating Inspectors in the amount of 50% of permit fee and 50% of re-inspection fee, if inspected;

To designate the car allowance for Electrical and Heating Inspectors in the amount of \$1,200 per year;

To designate \$36,855.91 as Township Salary of Supervisor;

To designate \$30,498.46 as Township Salary of Clerk;

To designate \$30,498.46 as Township Salary of Treasurer;

To designate \$7,500 as Township Salary of Trustee.

Roll call vote: Taft, aye; Walters, aye; Eberth, aye; Berecz, aye; Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

EXEMPTION FROM SECTION 8 OF ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 7 OF 2011:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to approve and adopt Resolution #2011-39 to exempt the Township for the remainder of 2011 from the provisions of Section 8 of Enrolled Senate Bill No. 7 of 2011 regarding healthcare. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Taft, aye; Eberth, aye; Berecz, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve and adopt Resolution #2011-40 to exempt the Township for the year 2012 from the provisions of Section 8 of Enrolled Senate Bill No. 7 of 2011 regarding healthcare costs. Roll call vote: Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Taft, aye; Eberth, aye; Berecz, aye; Linko, aye; and Walters, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – AGREEMENT FOR LONG TERM STORM WATER FACILITIES MAINTENANCE FOR ARSENAL ROAD BALL FIELD:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve and adopt Resolution #2011-41 – Agreement for Long Term Storm Water Facilities Maintenance for the Little League Ball Field located on Arsenal Road. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Walters, aye; Taft, aye; Eberth, aye; Berecz, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR:

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE FIVE (5) REPLACEMENT POLICE PATROL VEHICLES:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve to purchase five (5) 2012 Tahoes as replacement police patrol vehicles from Shaheen Chevrolet, Lansing, MI, through the MiDeal 12/05/11

program at a cost of \$25,272.00 per vehicle for a total cost of \$126,360.00 with funds to come from Police Capital Account #251.301.981 and further approve to equip the Tahoes with police equipment at an estimated cost of \$5,287.00 per vehicle with funds to come from the Drug Forfeiture Account. All voting aye.

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to receive the balance of the Supervisor's Report which includes the following: Police Department Report – Board information and Correspondence received from University of Michigan, Dearborn regarding eCities Project Star Report. All voting aye.

CLERK:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Clerk's Report which includes the following: Comcast correspondence regarding changes to channel line-up and Disbursements. All voting aye.

TREASURER:

DISBURSEMENTS – \$838,619.50:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$214,822.27; Fire Protection in the amount of \$121,219.77; Police Operations in the amount of \$164,370.32; Downtown Development in the amount of \$37,888.10; Fire Capital in the amount of \$2,526.94; Drug Forfeiture in the amount of \$1,598.08; Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$2,424.00; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$200,806.47; Water Fund in the amount of \$76,395.98; Vehicle Maintenance in the amount of \$12,925.36; School and County in the amount of \$2,061.00; and Retiree Insurance in the amount of \$1,581.21, for a total amount of \$838,619.50. Roll call vote: Berez, aye; Taft, aye; Warren, aye; Walters, aye; Eberth, aye; Cronin, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE TWO (2) PUBLICATIONS FOR THE NEWS-HERALD REGARDING WINTER TAX BILLS AND HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS FOR THE TREASURER'S OFFICE:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the 2011 Winter Tax Bill publication and the Notice to Taxpayers regarding Holiday Office Hours publication to be advertised in the News-Herald on December 11 and 14, 2011. All voting aye.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

DEMOLITION OF VARIOUS STRUCTURES – BID AWARD:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve to award the Demolition of Various Structures as follows: Pro Excavation of Wyandotte, MI to be awarded the demolition of 17937 West Point Avenue and 17931 West Point Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00; and RVP Construction to be awarded the demolition of 32917 Kelly Street in an amount not to exceed \$6,750.00. All voting aye.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to receive the balance of the Community Services Department Report which includes the following: Downtown Development Authority meeting minutes of October 20, 2011; Zoning Board of Appeals meeting minutes of October 20, 2011; Downtown Development Authority work session minutes of November 2, 2011. All voting aye.

RECREATION:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Recreation Department Report as submitted, which includes the following: Community Center Update, 2011 Winter Programs, and Senior Programs. All voting aye.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No Department of Public Works Report submitted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:27 p.m. All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berez, Clerk
Charter Township of Brownstown

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