

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MEETING OF MARCH 18, 2013**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, March 18, 2013.

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, Treasurer Warren, and Trustees: Cronin, Eberth, Peters, and Walters. Also in attendance were Public Safety Director Sclater, Economic Development Manager DiSanto, Assistant DDA Directors Gustafsson and Trussell, Recreation Director Maxe, Public Works Director Gahry, DDA Attorney Young, and Township Attorney Robinette.

**MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2013; the Special Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2013; and the Closed Session Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2013, as submitted. All voting aye.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Motion of Warren, supported by Peters, to approve the Agenda of March 18, 2013, with the removal of #7A1 – Salary Adjustment for Assessor S. Doom. All voting aye.

**PUBLIC HEARING: BROWNSTOWN DDA DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN – 2013 AMENDMENT:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to open the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m. for the Brownstown DDA Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan – 2013 Amendment. Roll call vote: Peters, aye; Eberth, aye; Berezcz, aye; Linko, aye; Walters aye; Warren, aye; and Cronin, aye. Motion carried.

Jim Sute, 22332 Telegraph Road, Brownstown, Michigan 48183, expressed his disapproval of the DDA, citing there has been no revenue from the new Town Center.

Motion by Cronin, supported by Walters, to close the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. All voting aye.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Public Form was held from 7:07 p.m. to 7:23 p.m.

**BROWNSTOWN DDA DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN – 2013 AMENDMENT:**

Motion of Berezcz, supported by Warren, to approve the Brownstown DDA Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan – 2013 Amendment, which outlines the expenditures for the DDA for the next 20 years. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Berezcz, aye; Warren, aye; Linko, aye; Peters, aye; Eberth, aye; and Cronin, aye. Motion carried.

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #281-3; AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #281 – DDA DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Berezcz, to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance #281-3; an Ordinance to amend Ordinance #281 – DDA Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan: Roll call vote: Berezcz, aye; Walters, aye; Linko, aye; Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Peters, aye; and Eberth, aye. Motion carried.

**PROPOSED DEPUTY SALARY INCREASES:**

Motion of Warren, supported by Walters, to approve to increase the Deputy Salaries by 2% for 2013; and by 1.5% for 2014, 2015, and 2016. All voting aye.

**BIG AL'S SPORTS GRILLE LIQUOR LICENSE:**

Motion of Eberth, supported by Cronin, to approve to submit Resolution #2012-10 to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) for Big Al's Sports Grille, 34827 W. Jefferson Ave., Brownstown, Michigan 48173, to allow the license approval process to begin. Roll call vote: Cronin, aye; Peters, aye; Warren, aye; Walters, aye; Eberth, aye; Linko, aye; and Berecz, aye. Motion carried.

**ANNUAL OPERATING PERMIT FOR WOLVERINE SHOOTING SPORTS, 19999 DIX-TOLEDO HWY:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the annual operating permit for Wolverine Shooting Sports, 19999 Dix-Toledo Highway, Brownstown, Michigan 48183. All voting aye.

**PEDDLER PERMIT RENEWAL – SURENDRABHAI PATEL – SALE OF ICE CREAM:**

Motion of Eberth, supported by Peters, to approve the peddler permit renewal for ice cream sales as requested by Surendrabhai Patel, 27541 Telegraph Road, Flat Rock, MI 48134. Ayes: Berecz, Eberth, Linko, Peters, Walters, and Warren. Nays: Cronin. Motion carried.

**SUPERVISOR:**

Supervisor's Agenda Item was removed.

**CLERK:**

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

**TREASURER:**

**DISBURSEMENTS – \$1,491,284.30:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$240,395.25; Fire Protection in the amount of \$135,487.66; Police Operations in the amount of \$186,979.09; Downtown Development in the amount of \$32,824.52; Police Capital in the amount of \$9,615.00; Fire Capital in the amount of \$938.43; Road Capital in the amount of \$161,984.41; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$8,940.00; Drug Forfeiture Fund in the amount of \$3,537.00; Building Authority in the amount of \$250.00; Debt Service in the amount of \$250.00; DDA Township Campus in the amount of \$246,090.51; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$59,059.20; Water Fund in the amount of \$396,463.27; and School & County in the amount of \$8,469.96, for a total amount of \$1,491,284.30. Roll call vote: Eberth, aye; Linko, aye; Cronin, aye; Peters, aye; Warren, aye; Berecz, aye; and Walters, aye. Motion carried.

Motion of Walters supported by Cronin, to receive the balance of the Treasurer's Report which consists of the January 2013 Investment Report. All voting aye.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:**

**BROWNSTOWN DDA – REDWOOD ACQUISITION LLC PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ESCROW INSTRUCTIONS:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the Brownstown DDA – Redwood Acquisition LLC Purchase Agreement and Escrow Instructions for developing a single-story multiple family development of 115 units on approximately 19 acres near the northwest corner of Telegraph and West Roads at the Brownstown Town Center. All voting aye.

**PROPANE SALES – 20176 DIX TOLEDO ROAD:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the request of Wallace Superior Outdoor Services for special conditional use for a 1,000 gallon propane tank at 20176 Dix Toledo Road, Brownstown, Michigan 48183, Parcel #70-030-99-0027-707. All voting aye.

**DEL WEBB – PUD AMENDMENT:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the site plan amendment for the Townes at Bridgewater Planned Unit Development (PUD) Phase 1A, submitted by Pulte Land Company, 100 Bloomfield Hills Parkway, Suite 300, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, 48304. All voting aye.

**NORPLAS INDUSTRIES – IFT REQUEST:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Berez, to approve and adopt Resolution #2013-04, a resolution to set a Public Hearing to consider the issuance of a proposed Industrial Tax Exemption for Norplas Industries, dba TEAM Systems, for the building located at 17800 Dix Toledo, Suite, 200, Brownstown, Michigan 48193. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Berez, aye; Peters, aye; Linko, aye; Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; and Cronin, aye. Motion carried.

**PARK NAMING – RECREATION CAMPUS NORTH PLAYGROUND:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to concur with the DDA's request that the new playground that contains the relocated playground equipment from Thorn Park be named Prairie Creek Park. All voting aye.

**REGIONAL ROAD AUTHORITY – REQUEST TO STUDY PROCESS:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to concur with Economic Development Manager DiSanto's request to utilize the Township and DDA attorneys to evaluate the establishment of a Local Road Authority, with a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00 for each attorney. Said payment would come from the current road mileage fund. All voting aye.

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the balance of the Community Services Department Report as submitted which consists of the Downtown Development Authority – Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2013, and the February 2013 Enforcement Log. All voting aye.

**RECREATION:**

**2013 ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT BID AWARD:**

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to concur with the recommendation of Recreation Director Maxe and approve the Bid Award for 2013 Athletic Equipment to Park Athletic Supply, Allen Park, Michigan, for caps and t-shirts; and to AKA Sports, Wayne, Michigan, for plaques and medals. All voting aye.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to approve the appointment of Mark Petrlich to the Recreation Commission to fill a vacancy for a 2-year term to expire January 1, 2015, and to approve the appointment of Mary Lou Burke to the Beautification/Historical Commission to fill a vacancy for a 2-year term to expire January 1, 2015. All voting aye.

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to accept the balance of the Recreation Report which consists of the Community Center Update, 2013 Winter Programs, 2013 Spring Programs, and Senior Programs. All voting aye.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

There was no Public Works report submitted.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:50 p.m.  
All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berecz, Clerk  
Charter Township of Brownstown

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