

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING OF AUGUST 19, 2013**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, August 19, 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 Deputy Director Matthews, Fire Chief Drouillard, Township Attorney Foley, and DPW Director Gahry.

MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2013, as submitted. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Agenda of August 19, 2013, as submitted. All voting aye.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public forum was held from 7:25 p.m. to 7:43 p.m.

PRESENTATION OF DONATION CHECK FROM BRIDGEWATER COMMUNITY TO BROWNSTOWN ANIMAL SHELTER:

Ms. Donna Sudek, representing the residents of the Bridgewater Community, presented Supervisor Linko with a donation check in the amount of \$2,282.00 for the Charter Township of Brownstown Animal Shelter. This donation was from proceeds of the Bridgewater Community Classic Car Show held each summer on the last Sunday of July.

RESOLUTION – SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR WATSON ENGINEERING:

Motion of Warren, supported by Walters, to approve and adopt Resolution #2013-14 to set the public hearing for Watson Engineering for Monday, September 16, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering the transfer of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate. Roll call vote: Berezcz, aye; Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Walters, aye; Peters, aye; Eberth, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF LARRY FERGUSON TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY/BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the resignation of Jeff Varady and to appoint Larry Ferguson to the Downtown Development Authority/Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for the remainder of the term to expire April 26, 2015. All voting aye.

BROWNSTOWN PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS UNION PARTICIPATION IN THE FILL-THE-BOOT CAMPAIGN:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve the Brownstown Professional Fire Fighters to participate in the annual Fill-the-Boot campaign to collect funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association September 26 through 28, 2013. All voting aye.

SUPERVISOR:

No Supervisor's Report submitted.

CLERK:

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

TREASURER:

DISBURSEMENTS – \$1,307,800.17:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$108,156.66; Fire Protection in the amount of \$53,396.18; Police Operations in the amount of \$76,129.00; Capital Projects in the amount of \$31,535.09; Downtown Development in the amount of \$39,643.60; Police Capital Improvement in the amount of \$108.00; Road Improvement in the amount of \$1,059.50; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$9,955.00; Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$795.00; DDA Township Campus in the amount of \$537,041.76; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$60,977.43; Water Fund in the amount of \$367,351.81; School & County in the amount of \$21,651.14, for a total amount of \$1,307,800.17. Roll call vote: Berecz, aye; Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Walters, aye; Peters, aye; Eberth, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE TREASURER'S OFFICE PETTY CASH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123.34:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve the Treasurer's office petty cash report and reimburse in the amount of \$123.34. All voting aye.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

BRIDGEWATER – PUD AMENDMENT:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation regarding the Bridgewater PUD Amendment regarding the rear yard setback amendment. All voting aye.

TILFORD STREET – DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS:

Motion of Warren, supported by Peters, to approve the proposed design for the Tilford Street drainage improvements in an amount not to exceed \$2,700.00. All voting aye.

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the balance of the Community Development Report which consists of the following: Zoning Enforcement Log – July 2013. All voting aye.

RECREATION:

BID AWARD – WOODRUFF ROAD BIKE PATH SEALCOATING:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve to award DiBottis Development the contract of seal coating the Woodruff Road bike path based on lowest bid. All voting aye.

Motion of Walters, supported by Eberth, to accept the balance of the Recreation Department Report which includes the following: Community Center summary, 2013 Summer Programs, and Senior Programs. All voting aye.

PUBLIC WORKS:

2013/2014 WATER AND SEWER RATES:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the overall water and sewer increase of 5.8%, from \$8.17 to \$8.64 per 1,000 gallons, effective immediately. Ayes: Walters, Cronin, Eberth, Linko, Peters, and Warren. Nays: Berecz. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:53 p.m. All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berez, Clerk
Charter Township of Brownstown

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