

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 4, 2013**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, November 4, 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 Deputy Police Chief Matthews, Fire Chief Drouillard, Township Engineer Woodworth, and Township Attorney Robinette.

MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2013, the Special Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2013, and the Closed Session Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2013. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion of Walters, supported by Eberth, to accept the Agenda of November 4, 2013, with the deletion of Item #7A4 – Request Approval to Create Deputy Building Official/Code Official. All voting aye.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR THE KROGER COMPANY AT WHISPERING WOODS PLAZA, LLC:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to open the public hearing for the Proposed Special Assessment District for the Kroger Company at Whispering Woods Plaza at 7:03 p.m. Roll call vote: Linko, aye; Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Peters, aye; Walters, aye; Cronin, aye; and Berezcz, aye. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to close public hearing for the Proposed Special Assessment District for the Kroger Company at Whispering Woods Plaza at 7:03 p.m. All voting aye.

PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR C*MAC TRANSPORTATION, LLC:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to open the public hearing for the Proposed Special Assessment District for C*MAC Transportation, LLC at 7:04 p.m. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Peters, aye; Linko, aye; Walters, aye; Berezcz, aye; and Cronin, aye. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to close the public hearing for the Proposed Special Assessment District for C*MAC Transportation, LLC at 7:04 p.m. All voting aye.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public forum was held at 7:05 p.m. There was no public participation.

SALE OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY #70-174-02-0037-000 (tabled 10/21/13):

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to approve the sale of Township Property #70-174-02-0037-000 for the amount of \$1,184.00, plus \$162.67 in current taxes that was paid when the property was purchased, and any additional costs incurred with closing. All voting aye.

RESOLUTION #2013-21 – LONG TERM STORM WATER FACILITIES MAINTENANCE FOR KROGER FUELING STATION ON GIBRALTAR ROAD:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve and adopt Resolution #2013-21 for the long term storm water facilities maintenance for the Kroger Company at the Whispering Woods Plaza on Gibraltar Road. Roll call vote: Walters, aye; Cronin, aye; Berez, aye; Peters, aye; Eberth, aye; Warren, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2013-22 – LONG TERM STORM WATER FACILITIES MAINTENANCE FOR C*MAC TRANSPORTATION, LLC ON SIBLEY ROAD:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve and adopt Resolution #2013-22 for the long term storm water facilities maintenance for C*MAC Transportation, LLC on Sibley Road. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Berez, aye; Walters, aye; Peters, aye; Cronin, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

2014 ANNUAL REAPPOINTMENTS:

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to approve the 2014 Annual Reappointments with terms expiring December 31, 2014, as follows:

- Health Officer – Henry Ford Health Systems Occupational Health Clinic
- Township Attorney – Foley & Robinette, P.C.
- Township Auditor – Plante & Moran
- Township Planner – LSL Planning
- Township Engineers – Wade/Trim Associates, Inc.
- Official Newspaper – The News Herald
- SEMCOG Representative – Brian Peters
- Election Commissioner – John Cronin
- Election Commissioner – Michael Eberth
- Senior Alliance Representative – Amy Thomas
- Beautification Council Representative – Patricia Pfau
- Library Commissioner – Barb Warren
- Zoning Board of Appeals Representative – Clyde Walters
- Planning Commission Representative – Clyde Walters

All voting aye.

DOWRIVER COMMUNITY CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP DUES - \$4,750.00:

Motion of Warren, supported by Walters, to approve to pay the Downriver Community Conference Membership Dues for 2013-2014, in the amount of \$4,750.00 from account #101.728.802. All voting aye.

DOWNRIVER COMMUNITY CONFERENCE POLICE, FIRE, AND DRANO DUES - \$20,419.72:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to approve to pay the Downriver Mutual Aid Membership Dues for 2013-2014 in the amount of \$20,419.72, with Police in the amount of \$4,841.75 from account #207.311.743; Fire in the amount of \$5,645.30 from account #206.336.743; and DRANO in the amount of \$9,932.67 from account #207.311.7431. All voting aye.

SUPERVISOR:

APPROVE ANNUAL BROWNSTOWN GOODFELLOWS NEWSPAPER DRIVE – NOVEMBER 23-30, 2013:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the Brownstown Goodfellows Annual Newspaper Drive to be held November 23-30, 2013. All voting aye.

APPROVE PUBLICATION AND SCHEDULE 2014 ANNUAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2013:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve the publication and schedule the 2014 Annual Budget Public Hearing for Monday, December 2, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. All voting aye.

ACCEPT WITH REGRETS THE RETIREMENT OF POLICE SERGEANT T. DAYFIELD:

Motion of Berez, supported by Warren, to accept with regrets the retirement of Police Sergeant Thomas Dayfield and to allow Clerk Berez to purchase his badge and gun for him for \$1.00. All voting aye.

PURCHASE OF REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO EQUIPMENT WITH FEMA GRANT FUNDING:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to approve the purchase of Regional Public Safety Radio Equipment with FEMA Grant Funding through a grant award and the 20% match being covered by the DCC/DMA. All voting aye.

CLERK:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the Clerk's Report as submitted which includes the following: Comcast correspondence – enhancement to an all-digital system, and Disbursements. All voting aye.

TREASURER:

DISBURSEMENTS – \$1,396,427.93:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$235,455.33; Fire Protection in the amount of \$42,370.83; Police Operations in the amount of \$86,219.28; Downtown Development in the amount of \$34,978.19; Police Capital Approval in the amount of \$204.99; Road Capital Approval in the amount of \$1,619.00; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$800.00; Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$65,542.33; Building Authority in the amount of \$9,684.38; Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$6,148.96; DDA Township in the amount of \$443,310.41; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$190,151.11; Water Fund in the amount of \$249,721.12; School and County in the amount of \$1,935.00; and Retiree Insurance in the amount of \$28,287.00, for a total amount of \$1,396,427.93. Roll call vote: Linko, aye; Cronin, aye; Berez, aye; Walters, aye; Peters, aye; Warren, aye; and Eberth, aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Community Services Department Report which includes the following: Downtown Development Authority Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2013, Downtown Development Authority Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2013, and Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2013. All voting aye.

RECREATION:

There was no Recreation Department report submitted.

PUBLIC WORKS:

There was no Department of Public Works report submitted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:14 p.m. All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berez, Clerk
Charter Township of Brownstown

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