

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING OF AUGUST 4, 2014**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, August 4, 2014.

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 BERECZ:

PRESENT: Supervisor Linko, Clerk Berez, Treasurer Warren, and Trustees: Cronin, Eberth, Peters, and Walters. Also in attendance were Public Safety Director Sclater, Fire Chief Drouillard, Economic Development Manager DiSanto, Assessor Doom, and Township Attorney Robinette.

MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2014, as submitted. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the Agenda of August 4, 2014, as submitted. All voting aye.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public Forum was held at 7:04 p.m. There was no public comment.

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE #173-8 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #173 – ANIMAL CONTROL GENERAL REGULATIONS CRUELTY AND TETHERING:

Motion of Berez, supported by Eberth, to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance #173-8 – an ordinance to amend Ordinance #173 – Animal Control General Regulations Cruelty and Tethering. All voting aye.

DONATION OF HISTORICAL PARCELS TO THE RIVER RAISIN NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Peters, to approve the donation of historical parcels 70 171 99 0014 000 and 70 171 99 0016 000 to the River Raisin National Battlefield Park in accordance with Public Law 111-11. All voting aye.

SUPERVISOR:

APPROVE NOTICE OF PUBLICATION AND SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2014:

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to approve notice of publication and schedule public hearing for Special Assessment District for Tuesday, September 2, 2014. All voting aye.

BOARD APPROVAL TO HIRE R. FAIRCHILD AS DPW OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR AND REQUEST TO REPLACE THE VACANT CLERK-TYPIST POSITION IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Eberth, to approve to hire Roxie Fairchild as DPW Office Administrator with a start date to be determined, a salary of \$40,538.00 annually, with all other benefits to carry over from her current position including township seniority, vacation time, and pension (memo of understanding has been signed by the administrative union); and to approve to

replace the vacant clerk-typist position in the Clerk's Office. All voting aye.

BOARD APPROVAL FOR AMBULANCE REMOUNT/REFURBISHMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the remount project to Emergency Vehicles Plus for the remount and refurbishment of a township ambulance in the amount of \$120,800.00 to be paid from Fire Department Capital Account #252.336.981. All voting aye.

BOARD APPROVAL FOR TRANSFER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL ACCOUNT FUNDS:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to approve to transfer \$71,000.00 from Building Grounds Improvement Account #252.336.9751 to Vehicle Replacement Account #252.336.981; \$42,000.00 from Equipment Account #252.336.977 to Vehicle Replacement Account #252.336.981; and \$8,000.00 from Office Equipment/Furniture Account #252.336.980 to Vehicle Replacement Account #252.336.981. All voting aye.

CLERK:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the Clerk's Report which consists of AT&T Michigan Annual Video Report and Disbursements. All voting aye.

TREASURER:

DISBURSEMENTS – \$1,583,166.90:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$285,286.72; Fire Protection in the amount of \$47,335.20; Police Operations in the amount of \$77,598.06; Capital Projects in the amount of \$15,549.92; Downtown Development in the amount of \$15,654.25; Fire Capital in the amount of \$659.94; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$225.00; Debt Service in the amount of \$6,148.96; DDA Township in the amount of \$196,380.00; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$175,601.15; Water Fund in the amount of \$342,628.82; School and County in the amount of \$23,386.15; Retiree Insurance in the amount of \$38,127.17; Payroll dated July 18, 2014 (run #79) in the amount of \$358,115.79; Payroll dated July 18, 2014 (run #80 special) in the amount of \$20.00; and Payroll dated July 18, 2014 in the amount of \$449.77, for a total disbursement of \$1,583,166.90. Roll call vote: Peters, aye; Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Walters, aye; Berez, aye; Cronin, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

DRAFT PERMIT – RECREATION CAMPUS, MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, PERMIT NUMBER: 10-82-0052-P:

Motion of Warren, supported by Eberth, to approve to allow the Township Treasurer to prepare and submit a Letter of Credit for the MDEQ Recreation Campus Permit #10-82-0052-P for wetland mitigation. The Letter of Credit will indicate that the funds will come out of DDA dollars or an alternative financial assurance that meets the MDEQ requirements. All voting aye.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDED AND RESTATED URBAN COUNTY COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Walters, to approve and adopt Resolution #2014-19 for the Amended and Restated Urban County Cooperative Agreement for the Federal Community Development Block Grant Program. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Walters, aye; Berez, aye; Cronin, aye; Linko, aye; and Peters, aye. Motion carried.

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 May 15, 2014 and Zoning Board of Appeals meeting minutes of June 19, 2014. All voting aye.

RECREATION:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the Recreation Department Report which includes the following: Community Center Update, 2014 Summer Programs, and Senior Programs. All voting aye.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No DPW Department Report submitted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:17 p.m. All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berez, Clerk
Charter Township of Brownstown

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