

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 16, 2016**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

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 Eberth, and Trustees: Cronin, Knappmann, Peters and Walters. Also in attendance were Public Safety Director Sclater, Fire Chief Drouillard, and Township Attorney Foley.

ABSENT: None.

MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2016. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Peters, to approve the Agenda of February 16, 2016 as submitted, with one amendment, to move to closed session at the end of the meeting to discuss pending litigation. All voting aye.

PRESENTATION:

A presentation was held by Fire Chief Drouillard to introduce newly promoted Fire Department Sergeant Tom Cox.

PUBLIC HEARING:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to open the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. for Community Development Block Grant Program for the 2016 Grant year application. Roll call vote: Knappmann, aye; Cronin, aye; Peters, aye; Berezcz, aye; Linko, aye; Eberth, aye; Walters, aye. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to close the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public Forum was held at 7:05 p.m. There was no public comment.

SUPERVISOR:

APPROVE APPARATUS EQUIPMENT REPAIR:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve apparatus equipment repair, in the amount of \$5,361.00, charged to fire department capital account 252.336.832, to repair a build-in, on board PTO driven power generator on a front line fire department apparatus. All voting aye.

APPROVE PAYMENT TO EMPCO FOR SERGEANT PROMOTIONAL ASSESSMENT CENTER TESTING:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Eberth, to approve the second round of development and assessment center testing conducted by EMPCO for the department's Sergeant Promotional Process. The amount of \$7,932.20 will be charged to account 206.336.724.1. All voting aye.

AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE THREE FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICERS:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve to hire Cameron Grimm, Eric Hess and Michael Harabedian to fill the vacant police officer positions created as a result of recent retirements, contingent upon successful completion of a medical and psychological examination. All voting aye.

BOARD INFORMATION:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the board information which consists of correspondence containing a thank you letter received from Clifford Rosebohm, Chief of Police Fire EMS, Riverview Police 02/16/2016

Department, expressing thanks to the Brownstown Fire Department. All voting aye.

CLERK:

BOARD INFORMATION:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Clerk's report which consists of disbursements. All voting aye.

TREASURER:

DISBURSEMENTS – \$1,068,490.82

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve the disbursements as follows: General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$218,682.05; Fire Protection in the amount of \$48,129.82; Police Operations in the amount of \$45,862.42; Downtown Development in the amount of \$11,996.71; Fire Capital Approval in the amount of \$2,154.25; Road Capital Approval in the amount of \$22,974.50; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$15.00; Drug Forfeiture in the amount of \$492.50; Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$938.25; Building Authority in the amount of \$750.00; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$91,556.80; Water Fund in the amount of \$267,982.76; Retiree Insurance in the amount of \$220.19; payroll dated January 29, 2016-regular payroll (run#161) in the amount of \$356,735.57, for a total disbursement of \$1,068,490.82. Roll call vote: Berez, aye; Eberth, aye; Cronin, aye; Knappmann, aye; Peters, aye; Linko, aye and Walters, aye. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

SCHEDULE SHOW-CAUSE HEARING:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Knappmann, to schedule a Show Cause Hearing for demolition of the building located at 15687 Milliman to be held on March 21, 2016, in accordance with Ordinance #263-2. All voting aye.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Berez, to approve the Community Development Block Grant Program for 2016 as submitted. All voting aye.

BOARD INFORMATION:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to accept the board information which consists of the January 2016 Zoning Enforcement Log and the January 2016 Month End Report. All voting aye.

RECREATION:

No report submitted.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report submitted.

CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION:

Motion of Knappmann, supported by Peters, to move into closed session at 7:10 p.m. Roll call vote: Cronin, aye; Berez, aye; Eberth, aye; Peters, aye; Walters, aye; Knappmann, aye; Linko, aye.

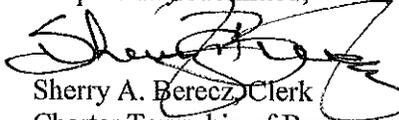
Motion of Eberth, supported by Cronin, to reconvene from closed session at 7:17 p.m. All voting aye.

Motion of Eberth, supported by Cronin, to accept Attorney Forbush recommendation. All voting aye.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:18 p.m. All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,


Sherry A. Berez, Clerk
Charter Township of Brownstown
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