

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2012
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Monroe Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Alan Barron at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, in the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Barron, Clerk Schnurr, Treasurer Barton, Trustees Cupp, Janssens and Timiney.

Excused: Trustee Wilson.

Others

Present: Attorney McCormick and seventeen people in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2012).

Motion #1. Motion by Timiney, supported by Janssens to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2012, as presented.

Roll call vote: Timiney yes, Janssens yes, Cupp yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES

Motion #2. Motion by Barton, supported by Cupp to approve the payment of bills/invoices, as listed by the Clerk.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Cupp yes, Timiney yes, Janssens yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Motion #3. Motion by Janssens, supported by Cupp to accept the Fire Department's 2011 Annual report and their February and March reports for 2012 and place on file, as presented.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Cupp yes, Timiney yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports: Clerk's 2012 Budget Summary Report, period ending March 31, 2012. Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending March 31, 2012.

General Reports: Supervisor, Building Official, Blight Officer, Fire Chief, Sheriff Department.

Communications: One letter from Comcast dated April 3, 2012, Re: Digital Network Enhancement Expansion to basic service.

Motion #4. Motion by Cupp, supported by Janssens to accept the consent agenda and place on file, as presented.

Roll call vote: Cupp yes, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Timiney yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

Approve Proclamation # 12-03, Proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Monroe Charter Township.

Motion #5. Motion by Barton, supported by Schnurr to approve Proclamation # 12-03, Proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Monroe Charter Township, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Janssens yes, Timiney yes, Cupp yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Approve Resolution #12-09, Preliminary Resolution Requesting Monroe Metropolitan Water Pollution Control System Project.

Motion #6. Motion by Janssens supported by Barton to approve Resolution #12-09, Preliminary Resolution Requesting Monroe Metropolitan Water Pollution Control System Project, as presented.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Barton yes, Cupp yes, Timiney yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Approve Resolution #12-10, Resolution approving Act 342 Contract and Publication of Notice.

Motion #7. Motion by Barton supported by Timiney to adopt Resolution #12-10, Resolution approving Act 342 Contract and Publication of Notice, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Timiney yes, Schnurr yes, Cupp yes, Janssens yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign property lease with Stoneco for 4 acres located south of Township Property to be used for additional parking.

Motion #8. Motion by Cupp, supported by Timiney to authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign property lease with Stoneco for 4 acres located south of Township Property to be used for additional parking, as presented.

Roll call vote: Cupp yes, Timiney yes, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Mineral Well Brine contract with the Road Commission.

Motion #9. Motion by Janssens, supported by Cupp to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Mineral Well Brine contract with the Road Commission at a cost of \$318.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Cupp yes, Timiney yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

Authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the East Dunbar Road Contract (Telegraph Road to Raisinville Road) with the Road Commission.

Motion #10. Motion by Barton, supported by Janssens to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the East Dunbar Road Contract (Telegraph Road to Raisinville Road) with the Road Commission at a total project cost of \$654,120 which requires a township match of \$310,400.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Janssens yes, Timiney yes, Cupp yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Albain Road (US24 to M125) Overlay Project Contract with the Road Commission.

Motion #11. Motion by Janssens, supported by Cupp to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Albain Road (US24 to M125) Overlay Project Contract with the Road Commission at a total project cost of \$103,870 which requires a township match of \$19,000.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Cupp yes, Timiney yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Approve the request from Fire Chief Merkle to authorize a 90 day educational leave of absence for Firefighter Mike Merkle, effective March 1, 2012.

Motion #12. Motion by Janssens, supported by Timiney to approve the request from Fire Chief Merkle to authorize a 90 day educational leave of absence for Firefighter Mike Merkle, effective March 1, 2012, as presented.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Timiney yes, Schnurr yes, Cupp yes, Barton yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Authorize the Fire Department to purchase a fire pump to be mounted on the new Fire Boat at a cost not to exceed \$4,670.

Motion #13. Motion by Cupp, supported by Schnurr to authorize the Fire Department to purchase a fire pump to be mounted on the new Fire Boat at a cost not to exceed \$4,670, as presented.

Roll call vote: Cupp yes, Schnurr yes, Timiney yes, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Approve the request from Fire Chief Merkle to add Daniel Rios to the Fire Department Active Roster and to start a one year probation period, effective April 26, 2012.

Motion #14. Motion by Schnurr, supported by Janssens to approve the request from Fire Chief Merkle to add Daniel Rios to the Fire Department Active Roster and to start a one year probation period, effective April 26, 2012, as presented.

Roll call vote: Schnurr yes, Janssens yes, Timiney yes, Cupp yes, Barton yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Authorize Assessor Cathy Cousineau to attend the 2012 Michigan Assessor Association (MAA) Spring School Course from May 23 to May 25, 2012 at Michigan State University at a cost of \$250 for the course and examination fee, plus travel expenses.

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
April 17, 2012**

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

Motion #15. Motion by Cupp, supported by Barton to authorize Assessor Cathy Cousineau to attend the 2012 Michigan Assessor Association (MAA) Spring School Course from May 23 to May 25, 2012 at Michigan State University at a cost of \$250 for the course and examination fee, plus travel expenses, as presented.

Roll call vote: Cupp yes, Barton yes, Janssens yes, Timiney yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Consider approving request from South Monroe Townsite Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

Motion #16. Motion by Timiney, supported by Janssens to approve request from South Monroe Townsite Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived, as presented.

Roll call vote: Timiney yes, Janssens yes, Cupp yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS

Public comments started at 7:36 p.m. There were comments from seven members of the public. Public comments ended at 7:56 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #17. Motion by Janssens, supported by Timiney to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Timiney yes, Cupp yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.



Bob Schnurr, Clerk
Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor
Monroe Charter Township