

MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2011
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 19, 2011, 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, Timiney and Wilson.

Others

Present: Attorney McCormick, Engineer Bailey, Engineer Reynolds and 18 people in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2011).

Motion #1. Motion by Janssens, supported by Wilson to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2011, as presented.

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

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES

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

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

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT

Commissioner Mary O'Neill was present. She notified the Board and Public that the Monroe County Board of Commissioners will have an organizational meeting to discuss a new 51 Point Plan on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Chambers. The public is welcome to attend.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Merkle presented the March 2011 Fire Department Report.

Motion #3. Motion by Wilson, supported by Cupp to accept and place on file the March 2011 Fire Department Report, as presented.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports: Clerk's 2011 Budget Summary Report, period ending March 31, 2011. Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending March 31, 2011.

General Reports: Supervisor, Building Official, Blight Report, Fire Chief, Sheriff, Engineer.

Communications: Charter Communications Letter Dated 4-15-11, Re: New channels.

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CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

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

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

PROCLAMATIONS

Approve Proclamation # 11-03, honoring Samuel Isaac Doty on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Samual Issac Doty and his family were present. Supervisor Barron read and presented the Proclamation to Eagle Scout Doty. The Board offered their sincere congratulations.

Motion #5. Motion by Schnurr, supported by Janssens to approve Proclamation # 11-03, honoring Samuel Isaac Doty on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, as presented.

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

Approve Proclamation # 11-04, Proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

Motion #6. Motion by Barton, supported by Wilson to approve Proclamation # 11-04, Proclaiming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month, as presented.

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

RESOLUTIONS

Approve Resolution #11-09, request from Carrington Golf Club, LLC to transfer ownership of 2010 Resort Class C Licensed Business, issued under MCL 436.1531, (4), located at 911 St. James Park, Monroe, MI 48161, Monroe Township, Monroe County, from Nicholas T. Andrahtas, Estate, Cynthia A. Andrahtas, Personal Representative and Secondo M. Fanola.

Motion #7. Motion by Schnurr supported by Wilson to adopt Resolution #11-09, request from Carrington Golf Club, LLC to transfer ownership of 2010 Resort Class C Licensed Business, issued under MCL 436.1531, (4), located at 911 St. James Park, Monroe, MI 48161, Monroe Township, Monroe County, from Nicholas T. Andrahtas, Estate, Cynthia A. Andrahtas, Personal Representative and Secondo M. Fanola, as presented.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Consider the issuance of a Bilateral Right-Of-Way Telecommunications Permit to Merit Network, Inc, as required by the Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Right-of-Way oversight Act, Act No. 48 of the Public Acts of 2002.

Motion #8. Motion by Timiney, supported by Wilson to approve the issuance of a Bilateral Right-Of-Way Telecommunications Permit to Merit Network, Inc, as required by the Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Right-of-Way oversight Act, Act No. 48 of the Public Acts of 2002, as presented.

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

Consider request to establish an Industrial Development District at 1402 West Seventh Street (location of Monroe Mold, Inc.) and approve Resolution #11-10.

Motion #9. Motion by Timiney, supported by Wilson to approve the request to establish an Industrial Development District at 1402 West Seventh Street (location of Monroe Mold, Inc.) and adopt Resolution #11-10, as presented.

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

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

Motion #10. Motion by Wilson, supported by Schnurr to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Mineral Well Brine contract with the Road Commission, as presented.

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

Consider approving request from South Monroe Townsite Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

Motion #11. Motion by Janssens, supported by Wilson to approve the request from South Monroe Townsite Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

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

Consider approving request from Southpointe Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Thursday, May 12, 2011 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

Motion #12. Motion by Wilson, supported by Janssens to approve the request from Southpointe Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Thursday, May 12, 2011 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

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

Consider approving request from Carrington Villas Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Thursday, May 19, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

Motion #13. Motion by Wilson, supported by Janssens to approve the request from Carrington Villas Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Thursday, May 19, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

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

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NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

Authorize payment to the Monroe County Chamber of Commerce for 2011 Membership Investment.

Motion #14. Motion by Wilson, supported by Janssens to approve payment to the Monroe County Chamber of Commerce for 2011 Membership Investment, as presented.

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

Authorize contract with Woodchuck Tree Service for dead tree removal, trimming of trees and stump removals in the township cemetery.

Motion #15. Motion by Janssens, supported by Wilson to approve the contract with Woodchuck Tree Service for dead tree removal, trimming of trees and stump removals in the township cemetery, as presented.

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

Approve the request from Fire Chief Merkle to return Firefighter Cody White to the Active Rosters effective May 1, 2011.

Motion #16. Motion by Wilson, supported by Schnurr to approve the request from Fire Chief Merkle to return Firefighter Cody White to the Active Rosters effective May 1, 2011, as presented.

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

Consider request from Chief Merkle to allow him to write and submit a Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFGP) grant application for a new Engine for the Fire Department and for the Board to assign a match of \$100,000 from the Township's Fire & Safety Capital Project Fund, with the understanding that these funds would be committed if the grant is approved and accepted.

Motion #17. Motion by Schnurr, supported by Wilson to approve the request from Chief Merkle to allow him to write and submit a Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFGP) grant application for a new Engine for the Fire Department and for the Board to assign a match of \$100,000 from the Township's Fire & Safety Capital Project Fund, with the understanding that these funds would be committed if the grant is approved and accepted.

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

Consider approving the Monroe County Road Commission to conduct street sweeping in the following subdivisions that received chip & seal maintenance in 2010:

- 1) Southgate Heights (Maplewood)
- 2) Leedy's Gardens
- 3) South Monroe Townsite
- 4) Evergreen Acres
- 5) Keegan Subdivision

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Motion #18. Motion by Wilson, supported by Barton to authorize the Monroe County Road Commission to conduct street sweeping in the following subdivisions that received chip & seal maintenance in 2010: Southgate Heights (Maplewood), Leedy's Gardens, South Monroe Townsite, Evergreen Acres and the Keegan Subdivision.

Roll call vote: Wilson yes, Barton yes, Janssens yes, Cupp no, Timiney no, Schnurr yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

Consider approving the 2011-2012 Deputy Sheriff contract with the Monroe County Sheriff Department.

Motion #19. Motion by Cupp, supported by Wilson to approve the the 2011-2012 Deputy Sheriff contract with the Monroe County Sheriff Department, as presented.

Roll call vote: Cupp yes, Wilson yes, Timiney no, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

Authorize Supervisor to conduct Interviews and hire part-time summer help.

Motion #20. Motion by Wilson, supported by Barton to authorize Supervisor to conduct Interviews and hire part-time summer help.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments started at 7:36 p.m. There were public comments from two people. Public comments ended at 7:39 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #21. Motion by Wilson, supported by Janssens to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. **Motion carried.**



Bob Schnurr, Clerk
Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor
Monroe Charter Township