

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2015
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, February 17, 2015, in the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Barron, Clerk Schnurr, Treasurer Barton, Trustee Janssens.

Excused: Trustees Heck, Pancone and Wilson.

Others Present: Attorney McCormick and seven people in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting of January 20, 2015).

Motion #1. Motion by Janssens, supported by Schnurr to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2015, as presented.

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

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES

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

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Merkle informed the Board that all vehicle DOT inspections were completed during the month of January and all vehicles passed, the aerial inspections were conducted and both passed and the new fire hose with color coded attack lines and nozzles are being installed on the vehicles. He also noted that the department ran 55 less calls during the month of January 2015 as compared to January of 2014.

Motion #3. Motion by Janssens, supported by Schnurr to accept the Fire Department report and place on file, as presented.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports: Clerk's 2015 Budget Summary Report, period ending January 31, 2015. Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending January 31, 2015.

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

Communications: Charter Communications Letter dated 1-27-15; Ref: Notice of Intent to Renew and Charter Communications Letter dated 2-2-15; Ref: Channel lineup.

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

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

PRESENTATION

The township insurance agent, Jason Orton from the David Chapman Agency, updated the Board on the township's 2015 insurance plan and provided information of grant possibilities.

Motion #5. Motion by Janssens, supported by Barton to accept and place on file the information provided by the township insurance agent, Jason Orton from the David Chapman Agency, as presented.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign the 2015 Agreement with the Lake Erie Transit Commission and authorize annual payment of \$29,567.00 (2% increase).

Motion #6. Motion by Schnurr, supported by Janssens to authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign the 2015 Agreement with the Lake Erie Transit Commission and authorize annual payment of \$29,567.00, as presented.

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

Participate in the Monroe County 2015 Aerial Imagery Acquisition Program at an approximate cost of \$1,398.64.

Motion #7. Motion by Schnurr, supported by Janssens to participate in the Monroe County 2015 Aerial Imagery Acquisition Program at an approximate cost of \$1,398.64, as presented.

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

Set Thursday, March 5th from 6pm – 8pm and Saturday, March 7th from 1pm – 3pm as open registration for the Custer Baseball/Softball leagues.

Motion #8. Motion by Barton, supported by Janssens to set Thursday, March 5th from 6pm – 8pm and Saturday, March 7th from 1pm – 3pm as open registration for the Custer Baseball/Softball leagues.

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

Set 2015 Custer Ball Fees.

Motion #9. Motion by Barton, supported by Janssens to set 2015 Custer Ball Fees, as presented.

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

Appoint Cheryl McLaughlin as Custer Baseball/Softball Director for the 2015 summer and fall seasons.

Motion #10. Motion by Barton, supported by Janssens to appoint Cheryl McLaughlin as Custer Baseball/Softball Director for the 2015 summer and fall seasons.

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

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

Consider approving request from Southpointe Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Thursday, May 14, 2015 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

Motion #11. Motion by Janssens, supported by Barton to approve the request from Southpointe Homeowner's Association to use the Township Hall on Thursday, May 14, 2015 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. for their Annual Homeowner's Association meeting, with fee being waived.

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

Set Spring Clean-up Day for Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Township Hall location using Steven's Disposal as the waste hauler.

Motion #12. Motion by Barton, supported by Janssens to set Spring Clean-up Day for Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Township Hall location using Steven's Disposal as the waste hauler, as presented.

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

Authorize installation of internet cabling and Meraki Wireless Access Points in the apparatus bay at Fire Station 1.

Motion #13. Motion by Schnurr, supported by Janssens to authorize installation of internet cabling and Meraki Wireless Access Points in the apparatus bay at Fire Station 1, as presented.

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

Authorize Go Auto Sales to be issued a temporary certificate of occupancy, contingent upon a cash bond deposit for remaining items of work, as recommended by township engineers.

Phil Goldsmith, attorney for Go Auto Sales, spoke on this matter. There was much discussion on items that have not yet been completed and proper permits not being applied for in a timely manner. Attorney McCormick covered the purpose of the cash bond and made it clear that if there are any violations to the conditional zoning agreement the township may take action to revoke the conditional rezoning agreement. Go Auto Sales stated that they will submit a cash bond in the amount of \$31,000 and complete all building code and fire code requirements prior to a temporary certificate of occupancy being issued. Attorney Goldsmith stated that he will make sure everything will stay on track and all requirements are being met.

Motion #14. Motion by Schnurr, supported by Janssens to authorize Go Auto Sales to be issued a temporary certificate of occupancy, contingent upon a cash bond deposit for remaining items of work, all requirements as recommended by the township engineers being completed, punch list required items to meet the building code must be met to the satisfaction of the building official, fire code requirements must be met to the satisfaction of the fire inspector, site plan concept requirements must be met and they must maintain required insurance until a final certificate of occupancy has been issued.

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

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS

Public comments started at 7:50 p.m. There was one public and board comment. Public and board comments ended at 7:54 p.m.

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MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
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ADJOURNMENT

Motion #15. Motion by Janssens, supported by Barton to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

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



Bob Schnurr, Clerk
Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor
Monroe Charter Township