

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2017
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, January 17, 2017, in the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Barron, Clerk Schnurr, Treasurer Barton, Trustees Blank, Heck, Manor and Pancone.

Others Present: Attorney McCormick, Engineer Mathe and ten people in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting of December 20, 2016).

Motion #1. Motion by Manor, supported by Heck to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 20, 2016, as presented.

Roll call vote: Manor yes, Heck yes, Barton yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES

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

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Manor yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Merkle updated the Board on fire runs for the month of December 2016.

Motion #3. Motion by Heck, supported by Barton to accept and place on file the December 2016 Fire Department Report, as presented by Chief Merkle.

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Barton yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Manor yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT

Sheriff Deputy Michael Swiercz updated the Board on Sheriff Department activity for the month of December 2016.

Motion #4. Motion by Manor, supported by Blank to accept and place on file the December 2016 Sheriff Department Report, as presented by Deputy Michael Swietcz.

Roll call vote: Manor yes, Blank yes, Heck yes, Pancone yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports: Clerk's 2016 Budget Summary Report, period ending December 31, 2016.
Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending December 31, 2016.

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

Communications: Comcast Letter dated December 20, 2016 Re: Channel line-up changes.

Motion #5. Motion by Barton, supported by Pancone to accept the consent agenda and place on file, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Pancone yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Manor yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Approve Resolution #17-01, Recognizing the Monroe County Bicentennial Alliance.

Motion #6. Motion by Heck, supported by Blank to approve Resolution #17-01, recognizing the Monroe County Bicentennial Alliance, as presented.

Chris Kull, Sue Donovan and Richard Janssens spoke on behalf of the Monroe County Bicentennial Alliance. Supervisor Barron read and presented the resolution on behalf of the Township Board.

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Manor yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Approve Resolution #17-02, Set Poverty Exemption Guidelines.

Motion #7. Motion by Barton, supported by Manor to approve Resolution #17-02, Set Poverty Exemption Guidelines, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Manor yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Approve Resolution #17-03, Consumers Energy Authorization for Change in Standard Lighting Contract Form 547 to make changes in the lighting services provided in order to upgrade and replace 169 Mercury Vapor Cobra Head Fixtures.

Motion #8. Motion by Manor supported by Pancone to approve Resolution #17-03, Consumers Energy Authorization for Change in Standard Lighting Contract Form 547 to make changes in the lighting services provided in order to upgrade and replace 169 Mercury Vapor Cobra Head Fixtures, as presented.

Roll call vote: Manor yes, Pancone yes, Schnurr yes, Blank yes, Heck yes, Barton yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Approve Resolution #17-04, Authorizing Consumers Energy Standard Lighting Contract Form 548 to upgrade and replace 169 Mercury Vapor Cobra Head Fixtures to LED at a cost of \$14,024.18.

Motion #9. Motion by Heck supported by Pancone to approve Resolution #17-04, Authorizing Consumers Energy Standard Lighting Contract Form 548 to upgrade and replace 169 Mercury Vapor Cobra Head Fixtures to LED at a cost of \$14,024.18, as presented.

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Pancone yes, Manor yes, Blank yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize the Fire Department to advertise for bids for twenty (20) replacement Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) cylinders which have reached the end of their service life.

Motion #10. Motion by Manor, supported by Heck to authorize the Fire Department to advertise for bids for twenty (20) replacement Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) cylinders which have reached the end of their service life, as presented.

Roll call vote: Manor yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

Authorize Township Officials to attend the MTA 2017 Annual Educational Conference in Lansing, Michigan, April 10-13, 2017.

Motion #11. Motion by Barton supported by Manor to authorize Township Officials to attend the MTA 2017 Annual Educational Conference in Lansing, Michigan, April 10-13, 2017, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Manor yes, Heck yes, Pancone yes, Blank yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS

Public comments started at 7:32 p.m. There were four public and board comments. Public and Board comments ended at 7:44 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #12. Motion by Heck, supported by Pancone to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Pancone yes, Blank yes, Manor yes, Barton yes, Schnurr yes, Barron yes.
Motion carried.



Bob Schnurr, Clerk
Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor
Monroe Charter Township