

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP**  
**MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
**Minutes of a Township Board Workshop**  
**Held March 31, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Workshop of the Monroe Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Alan Barron at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 31, 2016 in the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

**Present:** Supervisor Barron, Clerk Schnurr, Treasurer Barton, Trustees Heck, Janssens and Pancone.

**Excused:** Trustee Wilson.

**Others**

**Present:** Attorney McCormick and four (4) representatives from Nazar Properties, Inc.

Supervisor Barron reminded everyone that this is only an informal Workshop, not a Board Meeting, therefore no official board action can be taken at this workshop, nor will it be taken. The purpose is to discuss the request from Nazar Properties Inc., to purchase 142 acres of Township owned property located at 14727 LaPlaisance Road.

Supervisor Barron presented some comparable Monroe County property values, as researched by the Township Assessor.

Nazar Properties Inc. discussed their reasoning for wanting to purchase this property. They are working with the family that currently owns Links of Lake Erie to purchase their assets located on the Township property. The current owners of Links of Lake Erie are having difficulty with running the operation, making their lease payments to the Township and are not able to honor contractual commitments they have made with golf leagues, weddings and events. They would like to take on the responsibility of ensuring the contracts for events (approximately 80) for 2016 are honored. They would also like to apply to Plat the land for housing in order to meet marketing requirements for bringing in stores, restaurants, etc to the outlet mall property they have recently purchased across the street (They are looking at a 30 month window for submitting this plan). They have been reviewing the Township's LaPlaisance Road Corridor Plan and feel they can develop LaPlaisance Road into a "Welcome to Monroe Township" atmosphere, as reflected in the plan. They already have Letters of Intent from several business' to lease space and open for business. They are already scheduled to open a restaurant and beer tap business in the very near future.

The fact that the current owners of Links of Lake Erie are having difficulty making their lease payments to the Township is a known concern. The Supervisor has also been contacted by various individuals concerned about their upcoming weddings and events at the Links of Lake Erie and have no time to search for new venues for their events.

Nazar Properties Inc. did present a proposed plan during a presentation at the March 15, 2016 Regular Board Meeting letting the Board and the Public know that they have purchased property at the outlet mall on LaPlaisance Road and presented their vision, their intent to purchase the Links of Lake Erie and need to purchase additional property to incorporate housing within the footprint of the golf course.

There was much discussion on the various scenario options presented by Nazar Properties Inc, as well as, options presented by Supervisor Barron.

Supervisor Barron suggested that Nazar Properties Inc. prepare a purchase agreement, provide it to the Township Attorney for review and stated that he will set a Special Board Meeting for April 7, 2016 for the Board to consider their purchase agreement at a public hearing.

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There were no Public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Workshop was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.



Bob Schnurr, Clerk  
Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor  
Monroe Charter Township