

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2018
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, May 15, 2018, 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 and 29 people in the audience.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting of April 17, 2018).

Motion #1. Motion by Manor, supported by Barton to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2018, as presented.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Merkle updated the Board on fire runs for the month of April 2018.

Motion #3. Motion by Blank, supported by Manor to accept and place on file the April 2018 Fire Department Report, as presented by Chief Merkle.

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

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT

Deputy Michael Swiercz updated the Board on police activity for the month of April 2018.

Motion #4. Motion by Heck, supported by Pancone to accept and place on file the Sheriff Department Report, as presented by Deputy Swiercz.

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

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Trustee Heck updated the Board on the May 9, 2018 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting.

Motion #5. Motion by Pancone, supported by Manor to accept and place on file the Zoning Board of Appeals Report, as presented by Trustee Heck.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports: Clerk's 2018 Budget Summary Report, period ending April 30 2018. Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending April 30, 2018.

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

Communications: Comcast Letter dated April 26, 2018 Ref: International Channel Package Launch and Charter Letter dated April 27, 2018 Ref: Channel Line-up Changes.

Motion #6. Motion by Manor, supported by Barton to accept the consent agenda and place on file, as presented.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Petition for Maintenance and Drainage Improvement of a Drain.

County Drain Commissioner David Thompson updated the Board on the results of their inspection of the pumps in the Beach Area Consolidated Drain District and the need for replacement and control updates to the various pump stations. There was much discussion on this matter and eight people living in the area voiced their concerns about the condition of the pump stations. Drain Commissioner Thompson addressed all questions and concerns. He mentioned that if the Township Board approves the petition, it is the first step in the process and will allow for the public meeting to determine if there is a need. The process is controlled by the Drain Law, if the Board of Determination approves the need for work, then the Drain Commissioner can start the process.

Motion #7. Motion by Barton, supported by Manor to approve the Petition for Maintenance and Drainage Improvement of a Drain.

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

Consider bids for the purchase of 53 replacement SCBA bottles.

Motion #8. Motion by Manor, supported by Heck to approve the low bid from West Shore Fire in the amount of \$42,877.00 for the purchase of 53 replacement SCBA bottles, upon review by Chief Merkle to ensure bid meets all requirements.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Consider proposal from the Mannik Smith Group for a Monroe Charter Township Roadway Asset Management Plan 2018-2022 Multi-Year Assessment and Update.

Project Engineer Mark Mathe spoke on the benefits of the Asset Management Plan. Supervisor Barron and Clerk Schnurr confirmed how useful the past plan has been in determining where to expend funds to keep as many roads from deteriorating as possible. It was also pointed out that all roads and roadside drains are the responsibility of the Monroe County Road Commission and they are the ones that receive all ACT 51 funding from the State of Michigan to maintain our roads. But it is also a fact that if we don't put these plans together, they won't get done.

Motion #9. Motion by Barton, supported by Heck to approve the proposal from the Mannik Smith Group for a Monroe Charter Township Roadway Asset Management Plan 2018-2022 Multi-Year Assessment and Update, at a cost of \$5,000.

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

Authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract with the Road Commission for the 2018 Mineral Well Brine Program.

Motion #10. Motion by Heck, supported by Pancone to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the contract with the Road Commission for the 2018 Mineral Well Brine Program at a cost of \$338.

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

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS

Public comments started at 8:02 p.m. There were six public and board comments. Public and board comments ended at 8:34 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #11. Motion by Manor, supported by Blank to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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

Attested:


Alan Barron, Supervisor
Monroe Charter Township


Bob Schnurr, Clerk
Monroe Charter Township