

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WHITE LAKE

Approved Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

March 18, 2014

Supervisor Baroni called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Baroni led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Treasurer Roman called the roll:

Present: Greg Baroni, Supervisor
Mike Roman, Treasurer
Rik Kowall, Trustee
Scott Ruggles, Trustee
Andrea Voorheis, Trustee

Absent: Terry Lilley, Clerk
Carol Burkard, Trustee

Also Present: Sean O'Neil, Planning Director
Lisa Hamameh, Attorney
Amy Bertin, Recording Secretary

Supervisor Baroni made the following change to the Agenda: Add Item 10I, Approve Letter of Understanding with Dues Check Off with MAPP.

It was MOVED by Treasurer Roman, SUPPORTED by Trustee Kowall to approve the Agenda as amended, adding Item 10I, Letter of Understanding with Dues Check Off with MAPP. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Thomas Johnson, 9136 Buckingham. He complimented and congratulated the Board on the excellent job they did on their selections for the new fire chief and police chief.

Kristan Futrell, 9510 Portage Trail. She addressed the Board on the issue of aggressive dogs such as Pit Bulls. The township hasn't any ordinances pertaining to the ownership of aggressive pets. Currently, she has three very aggressive animals living directly behind her. The dogs have attacked her fence to such a degree that the wooden birdhouses nailed to it have fallen off. Last week one of the dogs broke its head through the fence. She is in fear for herself, her dog and any visitor who might come into her yard. She needs help and suggestions such as an ordinance or idea on how to deal with this situation.

Larry Ostrowski, Director of White Lake Township Library. He would like to express his

gratitude to the Board for their support of the Sixth Annual Mini Golf event. Some sponsored holes and others attended. There was a great turn out of over 250 people even with bad weather. It is a great event and continues to grow.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. LIST OF BILLS**
- B. REVENUE AND EXPENSES**
- C. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
 - 1. FIRE DEPARTMENT**
 - 2. POLICE DEPARTMENT**
 - 3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
 - 4. TREASURER REPORT**
 - 5. WATER REPORT**
 - 6. OVERTIME REPORT**
- D. DUBLIN SENIOR CENTER**
 - 1. APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL OFFICERS**
 - 2. APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Ruggles, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to approve the Consent Agenda. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

PRESENTATION

A. FIRE DEPARTMENT - SAFER GRANT - RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION COORDINATOR POSITION

Chief Gurka, White Lake Township Fire Department, explained the details of the Safer Grant. The funds are not intended to be used to hire a bunch of new fire fighters. This grant will mainly be used for the salary of a retention and recruitment position. It is a civilian position for our department to gain more paid on-call fire fighters. Currently, the turnover rate is about fifty percent. There is zero cost to the township. This person's salary and benefits will be paid for four years, working a forty hour schedule. The grant will also pay for academy training and physicals.

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to accept the Safer Grant Award for a Recruitment and Retention Coordinator Position. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Kowall, **SUPPORTED** by Treasurer Roman to approve the Job Posting for the Recruitment and Retention Coordinator Position. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

It was MOVED by Treasurer Roman, SUPPORTED by Trustee Ruggles to approve the Job Description for the Recruitment and Retention Coordinator Position. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

RESOLUTIONS

A. RESOLUTION #14-009, RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A CREDIT TO EMERGENCY SEWER CONNECTION SAD 2013-01

It was MOVED by Treasurer Roman, SUPPORTED by Trustee Kowall to approve Resolution #14-009, Authorize a Credit to Emergency Sewer Connection SAD 2013-01. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

B. RESOLUTION #14-010, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - HIDDEN PINES PARK GRANT

It was MOVED by Treasurer Roman, SUPPORTED by Trustee Voorheis to approve Resolution #14-010, Community Development-Hidden Pines Park Grant, amount amended to a local match of \$190,000 for a project total of \$490,000.00. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

C. RESOLUTION #14-011, RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MCLEOD USA METRO ACT PERMIT EXTENSION

It was MOVED by Treasurer Roman, SUPPORTED by Trustee Kowall, to approve Resolution #14-011, McLeod USA Metro Act Permit Extension. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

MINUTES

A. FEBRUARY 18, 2014

B. MARCH 6, 2014

It was MOVED by Trustee Ruggles, SUPPORTED by Trustee Kowall to approve the Minutes for February 18, 2014 and March 6, 2014. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

OLD BUSINESS

A. SECOND READING, AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 101 (PAWNBROKER ORDINANCE)

It was MOVED by Treasurer Roman, SUPPORTED by Trustee Kowall to approve Amendment to Ordinance #101 (Pawnbroker Ordinance). The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

B. SECOND READING, AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 102 (PRECIOUS METAL & GEM ORDINANCE)

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Kowall, **SUPPORTED** by Treasurer Roman to approve Amendment to Ordinance #102 (Precious Metal & Gem Ordinance). The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

C. EDI SPECIAL PROJECT GRANT (DISCUSSION)

It was **MOVED** by Supervisor Baroni, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to approve the EDI Special Project Grant for the Bridge/Trail Crossing along M-59 near Woodside Bible Church in the amount of \$147,000. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

NEW BUSINESS

A. DUBLIN SENIOR CENTER - LEASE OF NEW COPIER - APPLIED IMAGING

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Ruggles to approve the Lease of a New Copier Machine through Applied Imaging for the Dublin Senior Center. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

B. TOWNSHIP MISSION STATEMENT

Supervisor Baroni read the proposed Mission Statement into the record as follows: Our mission is to provide superior services which will protect and enhance the community, the environment and quality of life as well as sustaining our rural beauty, and historical assets while providing urban conveniences. Additionally, we make great efforts to nourish life's playful side as we are also known as the Four Seasons Playground.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Kowall, **SUPPORTED** by Treasurer Roman to approve the Township Mission Statement as read. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

C. FIRST READING, ORDINANCE 2014-001 - AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Ruggles to move to Second Reading, Ordinance 2014-001, an Ordinance Adopting and Enacting the Code of Ordinances. **THE MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

D. FIRST READING, ORDINANCE 2014-002 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 32-A.

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Kowall to move to Second

Reading, Ordinance 2014-002, an Ordinance Amendment to Ordinance No. 32-A. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

E. POLICE - REQUEST TO PURCHASE 911, TELEPHONE, AND RADIO RECORDING SYSTEM

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Ruggles, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Kowall to approve the Police Department's purchase of 911, Telephone, and Radio Recording System, with the extended maintenance plan, the amount not to exceed \$2500.00 per year. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

F. POLICE - REQUEST TO PURCHASE COMPUTER SERVER

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Kowall, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to approve the Police Department's purchase of a Computer Server from Tech Resources in Milford, MI using Drug Forfeiture funds in the amount of \$7725.96, the amount not to exceed \$1500.00 for installation. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

G. TOWNSHIP FACILITIES (DISCUSSION)

Mr. O'Neil outlined three basic options to be considered regarding improvements to the Township Hall. The first is staying here and improving the current facilities to serve us for the foreseeable future. The second is to move to another site either by purchasing property on the open market or going to property that the Township owns. The third option is to take over the now closed prison facility on the south side of White Lake Road. His recommendation would be at a minimum to put Phase One, improvements to the parking lot of the Township Hall facilities, out for bid and get going on that in early spring. If it is decided to stay at this location, at a later date go on to Phases Two and Three.

The site of the old prison is surrounded by state park land. There is one large building which could be an office and campus facility. Adjacent to that is a smaller building which could possibly be a future auxiliary fire station. There is a seven car garage and another building which could be decent for cold storage. It is not well located but it is free. The cost of renovation is unknown. If the Township doesn't make use of it, the DNR plans to tear the buildings down and turn the land back into a state park.

There was general discussion among the Board members that the old prison site was not cost effective to renovate nor centrally located for the residents. If a fire station were installed at that location it could possibly lower the ISO rating, and lower the cost of homeowners insurance. It would be an ideal stand alone area, perfect for a fire station. The prison itself could possibly be used for a Park & Rec Building, an alternate location for larger meetings, or turned into a banquet hall. Currently existing within the building is a gymnasium and a full sized commercial kitchen with all items in it. There would be plenty of space for storing items.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Kowall, **SUPPORTED** by Treasurer Roman to approve receiving bids for Phase One for improvements to the parking lot of the Township Hall property and drive along the west side of the building, and sewer and water hook-ups. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Kowall, **SUPPORTED** by Treasurer Roman to approve the Supervisor to act in his capacity to acquire a structural engineer to visit the former prison site for a review of structure, the amount not to exceed \$1000.00, and have Ms. Hamameh further investigate possible limited uses or restrictions of the land by the DNR. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

H. FYI - MEMO - 9371 PONTIAC LAKE ROAD

Treasurer Roman asked if anyone present represented 9371 Pontiac Lake Road. There was no response from the audience.

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Ruggles to approve Ms. Hamameh proceeding with filing the lawsuit against 9371 Pontiac Lake Road. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes.)

I. APPROVAL OF LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING WITH DUES CHECK OFF WITH THE MAPE.

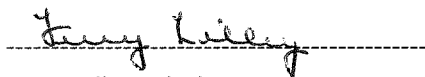
It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Kowall to approve the Letter of Understanding with Dues Check Off with the Michigan Association of Public Employees. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

ADJOURNMENT

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to adjourn the meeting. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (5 yes votes).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

I, Terry Lilley, the duly elected and qualified Clerk of the Charter Township of White Lake, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the March 18, 2014 regular board meeting minutes.



Terry Lilley, Clerk
White Lake Township
Oakland County, Michigan