

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WHITE LAKE
Approved Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
July 19, 2011

Supervisor Baroni called the Board of Trustees regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Lilley called the roll:

Present: Greg Baroni, Supervisor
 Terry Lilley, Clerk
 Forrest Jay Brendel, Treasurer
 Michael Powell, Trustee
 Todd Birkle, Trustee
 Carol Burkard, Trustee
 David Lewsley, Trustee

Also Present: Greg Need, Attorney
 Lisa Hamameh, Attorney
 Sean O'Neil, Planning Director
 David Birchler, Birchler Arroyo, Planner
 Jill Bahm, Birchler Arroyo
 Lillian Walker, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Trustee Powell commended the Police Department for their excellent assistance in assuring safety during a motorcycle ride.

MINUTES

- A. June 2, 2011
- B. June 16, 2011
- C. June 21, 2011
- D. June 28, 2011

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Burkard, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Powell, to approve the minutes of June 2, June 16, June 21, and June 28, 2011, as presented.. The **MOTION PASSED** with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. List of Bills
- B. Revenue and Expense
- C. Department Reports
 - 1. Police
 - 2. Fire
 - 3. Treasurer
 - 4. Community Development

D. Annual Maintenance quote for GIS system

E. Overtime Report

It was MOVED by Trustee Burkard, SUPPORTED by Trustee Powell, to approve the Consent Agenda. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

PRESENTATION

Birchler Arroyo presented a plan for Clear Zoning. They noted that the current Township website is inconvenient and difficult to use. The Clear Zoning plan would result in seven articles as opposed to 29 in the current Zoning Ordinance. The plan would also allow citizen access 365 days a year and 24 hours a day and would include all forms and instructions as to how to fill them out. Hyperlinks would also be provided to make shifting from topic to topic a less complicated task.

Trustee Lewsley asked if the Township should proceed with its present plans to codify the ordinances; the answer was yes, that the Zoning Ordinance would be handled separately by the Clear Zoning plan. General Ordinances will be handled differently than Ordinance 58.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

A. Second Reading: Township Rezoning File No. 11-003, White Lake Township

It was MOVED by Trustee Birkle, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard, to approve the White Lake Township Rezoning File 11-003. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (6 yes votes).

B. Michigan Department of Transportation Pathways (Tabled 6-21-11)

Trustee Burkard stated that her dream of a "Recreation Road" could become a reality by combining Township resources with those of other communities.

Mr. O'Neil stated that he has had conversation with MDOT in which he spoke about the possibility of replacing the cement barricade on M-59 at Oxbow Lake with an open railing that would allow a view of the lake. MDOT's response was that it would be possible if the Township would assume the responsibility for maintenance. Questions about how long such maintenance would be required before the railing would be replaced in the future and exactly what maintenance would be expected by MDOT. More information will be forthcoming and may be available for the June 21, 2011, Board meeting

Trustee Burkard stated that \$147,000.00 in grant money was to be used by 2015. She asked if some of the funds could be used to add a new facade to the Township Hall and to the old Township Hall across the street to improve the impression the buildings make.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Second Reading: Fire Prevention and Protection Ordinance

It was noted that under this ordinance, fireworks manufacturing would not be allowed in White Lake Township.

It was MOVED by Trustee Birkle, SUPPORTED by Treasurer Brendel, to approve the Fire Prevention and Protection Ordinance Amendment. The MOTION PASSED with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

Fire Chief Maltese reported that the Fire Department had received two checks reimbursing for overtime spent in classes.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Water Department Vehicle Purchase Request

The Water Department presented five bids for a vehicle to replace their 2000 GMC Express Van which has 82,500+ miles and idles frequently and is used daily. The vehicle is rusting and is starting to have minor repair issues. The lowest bid for a 2012 GMC TG 23405 Savana Cargo Van 2500 RWD was from Red Holman Buick GMC in Westland, MI, for \$18,246.00. The Water Department has \$19,000.00 in their 2011 capital account. It was suggested that a rear-window defogger be included in the vehicle.

It was **MOVED** by Clerk Lilley, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Lewsley, to approve purchase of a 2012 GMC TG 23405 Savana Cargo Van RWD 2500 for the Water Department from Red Holman Buick GMC, Westland, MI, at a cost not to exceed \$19,000.00. The **MOTION PASSED** with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

B. St. Patrick's Annual Fair Application

It was **MOVED** by Clerk Lilley, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Burkard, to approve the permit for St. Patrick's Church Annual Fair subject to all inspections and requirements, and to waive the permit fee. The **MOTION PASSED** with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

C. Szott M-59 Water Main Extension

Bids for the water main extension were considerably higher than originally estimated. Mr. Szott is currently on vacation and has not seen the bids. The Township needs to be sure that we have a signed agreement from Mr. Szott. Clerk Lilley does not want to move ahead with this project without a signed agreement.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Powell, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Burkard, to approve the lowest bid on the water main extension on the condition that the Township has a signed agreement and that all required fees including engineering fees are paid, and to authorize the supervisor to negotiate the payback period. The **MOTION PASSED** on a voice vote (7 yes votes).

D. Request for Proposal to Provide Audit Services for White Lake Township

Attorney Need has reviewed the request for a proposal to provide audit services.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Birkle, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Powell, to approve the Request for Proposal to Provide Audit Services for White Lake Township. The **MOTION PASSED** with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

E. Lease Agreement, 7440 Highland Road

The house behind Fire Station No. 1 is leased to Star Ambulance. Trustee Lewsley noted that Star should make every effort to service White Lake Township inasmuch as they pay no rent.

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard, to approve the lease agreement with Star Ambulance for 7440 Highland Road, with the Supervisor negotiating the lease agreement. The MOTION PASSED with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

F. First Reading: Ordinance No. 132, Cemetery Ordinance

As a result of an MTA seminar regarding cemetery management which was attended by both Treasurer Brendel and Clerk Lilley, a cemetery ordinance was drafted to replace the policy which had previously governed cemetery operations. Among other topics, it deals with how dollars are collected and disbursed to the Township. It was stated that, although four cremations would be allowed in one plot, only one marker would be permitted.

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard, to move to Second Reading Ordinance No. 132, Cemetery Ordinance, with the addition of the rule that, although four (4) cremations would be allowed in one plot, only one marker would be permitted. The stacking of two (2) vaults per plot would also be permitted and added to the ordinance. The MOTION PASSED with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

Landscaping and tree trimming at the cemeteries and the lack of funds were discussed by the Board. The possibility of using laid-off on-call fire fighters or part-time or laid-off Township employees was rejected. The Supervisor will contact Oakland County for possible services; otherwise, going out for bids appears to be the only solution.

Senate Bill No. 0007 was distributed to Board members for study.

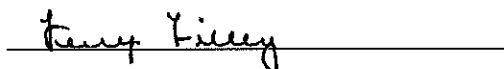
It was MOVED by Treasurer Brendel, SUPPORTED by Clerk Lilley, to enter into Closed Session to consider attorney/client privilege, pursuant to Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act. The MOTION PASSED with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

It was MOVED by Treasurer Brendel, SUPPORTED by Trustee Birkle, to return to regular session. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

It was MOVED by Treasurer Brendel, SUPPORTED by Trustee Birkle, to adjourn the meeting. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 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 July 19, 2011 regular board meeting minutes.



Terry Lilley, Clerk
White Lake Township
Oakland County, Michigan