

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
JULY 28, 2014

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

Members present: Brandt, Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Malkin (7:25 p.m.), Miller
Members absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Public Input opened at 7:01 p.m. No public present wished to speak and public input was closed.

Motion by Pike supported by Kochany to adopt the agenda with the deletion of the 2014 General Fund budget adjustment.

Motion carried.

Motion by Miller supported by Kochany to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2014 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried.

Motion by Miller supported by Pike to pay the bills in the amount of \$94,386.98 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Brandt, Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller

No: None

Absent: Malkin

Motion carried.

R-2014-009 Resolution Opposing the Construction of a Nuclear Waste Repository in the Great Lakes Basin

Motion by Miller supported by Kochany to adopt Resolution R-2014-009, a resolution opposing the construction of a nuclear waste repository in the great lakes basin as follows:

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORY IN THE GREAT LAKES BASIN

WHEREAS Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is proposing to construct a deep geologic repository (DGR) which is an underground long-term burial facility for all of Ontario's low and intermediate level radioactive nuclear waste at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station, some of which is highly radioactive and will remain toxic for over 100,000 years. This site is approximately one kilometre inland from the shore of Lake Huron and about 400 metres below the lake level;

WHEREAS water is the nation's and Canada's most important natural resource and should be protected and managed prudently;

WHEREAS the Great Lakes are an irreplaceable natural resource, containing twenty percent of the world's and ninety-five percent of the United States' fresh water vital to human and environmental health;

WHEREAS the Great Lakes are vital to the economic and agricultural well-being of both Canada and the United States of America;

WHEREAS Lake Huron and the connecting waters, including Lake St. Clair, are a source of drinking water for millions of people downstream in the United States of America, Canada, and First Nations;

WHEREAS concern has been expressed over the proposed OPG DGR by individuals, citizen and environmental groups, and municipalities and counties in both Canada and the United States;

WHEREAS under the 2012 Protocol Amending the Agreement Between Canada and the United States of America on Great Lakes Water Quality, the governments of the United States and Canada acknowledge the importance of anticipating, preventing and responding to threats to the waters of the Great Lakes;

WHEREAS the Governments of Canada and of the United States share a responsibility and an obligation to protect the Great Lakes from contamination from various sources of pollution, including the potential leakage of radioactivity from an underground nuclear waste repository;

WHEREAS placing a permanent nuclear waste burial facility so close to the Great Lakes is ill-advised. The potential damage to the Great Lakes from any leak or breach of radioactivity far outweighs any suggested economic benefit that might be derived from burying radioactive nuclear waste at this site. The ecology of the Great Lakes, valuable beyond measure to the health and economic well-being of the entire region, should not be placed at risk by storing radioactive nuclear waste underground so close to the shoreline;

WHEREAS Michigan has significant experience with the the concerns for siting a radioactive waste disposal facility as the state went through an exhaustive siting process over twenty years ago and concluded there was no viable location for constructing such a facility.

WHEREAS the Michigan Senate has expressed serious concerns for the failure of the siting process in Ontario for the proposed OPG DGR to fully account for all potential impacts of the proposed facility by passing a legislative package urging intervention by the Great Lakes Commission, the International Joint Commission and a special legislatively created advisory Board. SB 948, SCR 16, SCR 17, SR 150 and SR 151 all have been passed unanimously by the Michigan Senate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter Township of Montior, Michigan, in order to protect the Great Lakes and its tributaries,

urges that neither this proposed nuclear waste repository at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station nor any other underground nuclear waste repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin in Canada, the United States, or any First Nation property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Charter Township of Michigan, Michigan, urges the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario to reject and seek alternatives to Ontario Power Generation's proposal to bury radioactive nuclear waste in the Great Lakes Basin. In addition, pursuant to SCR 16 and SR 151, the Charter Township of Monitor also urges President Obama to take all necessary steps to engage the International Joint Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be provided to Michigan Governor Rick Snyder, U.S. Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, U.S. Representative Candice Miller, U.S. Representative Dan Kildee, Michigan State Senator Mike Green, and Michigan State Representative Charles Brunner.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Brandt, Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller

No: None

Absent: Malkin

Motion carried.

Malkin arrived at 7:25 p.m.

Discussion Regarding Proposed Sanitary Sewer Connection/Extension of Woodhaven Senior Apartment Complex

Wednesday afternoon (7/23/2014), Township Engineer Don Scherzer (Spicer) met with the Supervisor, Treasurer and Clerk to discuss the proposed sewer connection/extension for the proposed Woodhaven Senior Apartment Complex. The project is located on the property north of Alpine Village on Two Mile Road.

The engineers for Woodhaven are proposing a 60 sanitary sewer line from the pump station located at Alpine Village to their site. They have received an easement from Alpine to run the sewer line to their location. (This would in effect, be a long private sewer tap).

In the engineering review, Scherzer is recommending Woodhaven increase the sanitary sewer to an 80 line consistent with the size coming from Alpine and running the line to the end of the Woodhaven property so it would be available for future sewer expansion. The sewer line at the pump station is 22 deep. Scherzer believes it is to the township's advantage to not assume all the cost to extend the 80 sewer line. According to the developer's engineer, the cost to increase the line to an 80 and run it to the end of the property is estimated at \$24,000.

Scherzer explained the questions before the board tonight are:

1. Would the township be interested in contributing the difference in cost between the 6ö and 8ö lines and contributing toward the additional cost to run the sewer line to the end of the property?
2. Require Woodhaven put in an 8ö line in the road right-of-way to the end of their property at their cost.
3. Require Woodhaven put in an 8ö line just inside their property line and have others pay for the extension at a later date.
4. Take no action and leave the sewer connection to the developer and the Planning Commission.

All board members contributed comments regarding the sewer connection.

It was the consensus of the board to contribute funds toward the extension of the 8ö sewer line if it were to be located in, or adjacent to, the Two Mile road right-of-way. If the developer is agreeable to this, a sewer line extension agreement would be needed and the township included on all access easements.

Bay County/Monitor Township Road Patrol Agreement

Motion by Arnold supported by Miller to approve and authorize the Supervisor & Clerk to sign the Bay County/Monitor Township Road Patrol Agreement.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Brandt, Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Malkin, Miller

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Cindy L. Kowalski, Clerk

Gary A. Brandt, Supervisor