

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2014

The Supervisor in his absence appointed Trustee Arnold as Acting Chairman for the meeting. Arnold called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller
Members absent: Brandt, Malkin

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Public Input opened at 7:01 p.m.

S. Wolfe inquired what has been done or is being done regarding the landscaping at Halla Corporation and her belief it is in violation of the site plan approval.

Kowalski stated the Supervisor had referred it to the Ordinance Administrator.

H. & S. Vermilya, Bonnie Drive spoke regarding the vacant lots not being mowed in Pine View, specifically the lots on the west side that abut Bonnie Drive. The Vermilya's also spoke regarding the drainage issue between Pine View and Bonnie & Strieter Dr. During large rain events or large snow melts, the tile cannot keep up with the water flow and results in water blowing the lids off the storm drains. They are requesting the township investigate these issues. D. & R. Gavord stated Strieter Dr. is in bad repair and would like to make sure it is included in the road millage work that is done.

V. Begick stated the County is working on the budget and will soon hold the public hearing on the Solid Waste Management Plan.

Public input closed at 7:16 p.m.

Motion by Pike supported by Miller to adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion carried.

Motion by Miller supported by Arnold to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2014 regular and October 27, 2014 special meetings as presented.

Motion carried.

Motion by Kochany supported by Miller to pay the bills in the amount of \$17,238.55 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller

No: None

Absent: Brandt, Malkin

Motion carried.

R-2014-018 Resolution to Amend Pension Retirement Age

Motion by Miller supported by Kowalski to adopt Resolution R-2014-018, a resolution to amend the township pension retirement age from 65yrs. to 55yrs. as follows:

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND MONITOR TOWNSHIP
GROUP PENSION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Monitor Township Board has received a request to consider an amendment to the Township Pension Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monitor Township board amend the 401 (a) Plan, as follows:

Amend the Normal Retirement Age from 65 to 55 years of age.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the amendment above be effective October 27, 2014.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller

No: None

Absent: Brandt, Malkin

Motion carried.

Fire Chief Hall Request for 2014- 2015 Fire Academy - December 2014 - May 2015

Motion by Pike supported by Kowalski to grant the Fire Chief's October 27, 2014 hall request to hold the winter 2014 ó 2015 Fire Academy classes beginning December 2, 2014 and ending May 2015.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller

No: None

Absent: Brandt, Malkin

Motion carried.

Annual Fire Department Christmas Party - December 5, 2014

Motion by Kowalski supported by Kochany to grant the Fire Department's October 28, 2014 request for use of the township hall on December 5, 2014 for their annual Christmas Party; signed contract, all fees waived.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller

No: None

Absent: Brandt, Malkin

Motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Vacation Compensation Request

Motion by Miller supported by Kowalski that any employee who can demonstrate any extraordinary circumstances related to their job duties in 2014, can request payment of vacation time earned in lieu of rolling it over to the next calendar year or losing the vacation time earned. The board further approves the Deputy Clerk's request for payment of fifteen days vacation time (105 hrs.) due to the fact the Clerk's office has had two elections in addition to her regular duties and she was unable to take the vacation time.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Miller

No: None
Absent: Brandt, Malkin
Motion carried.

REPORTS

D. Scherzer stated there are two park grants available for improvements done at the township park. The Recreation Passport grant has a \$45,000 maximum with a 25% match in funds and the LWCF grant has a \$100,000 maximum with a 50% match. Both grants have a spring application deadline. Possible work to submit for a grant will be discussed at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Cindy L. Kowalski, Clerk

Earl Arnold, Acting Chairman