

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR  
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 26, 2018

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

Members present: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh  
Members absent: None  
Also present: Richard Sheppard, Township Attorney

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Public Input opened at 7:01 p.m.  
State Senate candidate Gary Glenn introduced himself to the board.  
County Commissioner V. Begick gave a report.  
Public Input closed at 7:06 p.m.

Motion by Reder supported by Pike to adopt the agenda as presented.  
Motion carried.

Motion by Reder supported by Kochany to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2018 regular meeting as presented.  
Motion carried.

Motion by Reder supported by Walsh to pay the bills in the amount of \$76,440.90 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Kowalski supported by Reder to receive the Treasurer's Report for January, 2018.  
Motion carried.

Presentation on Smoke Testing Results

G. Bartow from Fleis & Vandenbrink gave a report on the smoke testing that was done.

The purpose of the smoke testing was to look for stormwater that is infiltrating into the sanitary sewer system. The areas that were targeted for the smoke testing were as follows: Mutual Subdivision and Euclid Ave.; Westgate Subdivision corridor; Dorey Dr. corridor.

There were approximately 20 locations where there was some infiltration that will need to be corrected, however the end results did not show significant infiltration into the sanitary sewer. DWS will continue with the second phase of this project by gathering information from the flow meter testing to determine where and how the excess stormwater is entering our sewer system.

Spicer Engineering Proposal for 2018 Road Millage Projects

Motion by Pike supported by Reder to approve the proposal submitted by Spicer Engineering for the road millage improvements ó phase IV for 2018.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Bay Future Presentation Regarding Potential Business Development

Bay Future President and CEO T. Keyes stated he has been working on a project that could bring in a potential large business into Monitor Township. Of the locations this business is looking at, Monitor Township is on their õshort listõ. They (the acquisition company and the business manufacturer) are hoping to get closer to a decision of the target site after a meeting to be held on March 1. This manufacturing business could represent a 350-400 million dollar investment project with approximately 250 employees.

Keyes stated the township already approved a tentative allocation of 3650 REUø in July of 2015, and is seeking the townshipõs continued support for the project.

Motion by Kowalski supported by Reder to authorize the Supervisor to write a letter of support to indicate the township boards interest in this manufacturing business to locate in Monitor Township and the boardõs willingness to create an industrial development district.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Wind Energy Review

The Planning Commission is looking for board input regarding revisiting the wind energy section of the Zoning Ordinance. The township planner has compiled a table listing the main Wind Energy System components of what our neighboring communities require as well as his recommendation to the planning commission.

Based on this information, it was the consensus of the board for the planning commission to:

- 1) reduce the current maximum decibel level from 55 dBA to 40 dBA;
- 2) to possibly insert additional language into the ordinance to only allow õshadow flicker for a maximum number of hours a year; and
- 3) to increase the setback from 150% of the turbine height to 200%.

Personnel Committee recommendation for Assistant Assessor

Township Assessor T. Fackler reported there has not been a lot of interest finding an individual to fill the assistant assessor position. It appears that the projected wage may be a deterrent. The Assessor and the Personnel Committee will continue exploring options to fill this position.

1994 Bid Resolution

The sealed bid resolution that was adopted on January 24, 1994 was discussed. It was the consensus of the board to make no changes to the procedures at this time.

R-2018-001 Resolution Adopting Water Rate

Motion by Kowalski supported by Reder to adopt Resolution R-2018-001, a resolution adopting the new water rate of \$4.26/CCF as recommended by the Department of Water & Sewer beginning the second quarter billing cycle as follows:

**RESOLUTION  
ADOPTING WATER FEE/RATE SCHEDULE**

**WHEREAS**, on January 28, 2013, the township adopted Resolution R-2013-002, which authorized the Supervisor and Clerk to sign a Water Supply Agreement to, along with various other municipalities in Bay County, finance and construct the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant which will be used to provide treated water to users of Monitor Township; and,

**WHEREAS**, on September 14, 2015, the township adopted Resolution R-2015-011, which increased the customer retail rate \$.32/CCF to a new retail rate \$4.19 per CCF effective the fourth quarter 2015. The increase was necessary based on the recommendation by the Department of Water & Sewer, to cover the wholesale cost of water and transmission costs from the City of Bay City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Bay County Department of Water and Sewer has reported that the water rate billed to customers should be adjusted to compensate for the actual expenses incurred to purchase and transmit water; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Bay County Department of Water and Sewer reported in a letter dated January 29, 2018, the wholesale cost of water for 2018 increased by a total of \$.27 per CCF, which included \$.20 per CCF for transmission and \$.07 per CCF for the cost of water from the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant; and

**WHEREAS**, In the fall of 2017, the Bay County Department of Water and Sewer, by recommendation of the Bay Area Water Treatment Advisory Committee, adopted an amendment to the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Operating Standard to assume the operation and maintenance of the transmission system and water towers connected to the transmission system; and,

**WHEREAS**, the increased transmission costs of \$.20 per CCF would actually be cost neutral to the current water tower communities, which includes Monitor Township.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Monitor Township Board of Trustees of Bay County Michigan, hereby approves an increase of

\$0.07/CCF for the wholesale cost of water from the current rate of \$4.19 per CCF to a new rate of \$4.26 per CCF effective the second quarter 2018 billing cycle.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: Malkin

Absent: None

Motion carried.

#### Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreement ó AT&T

Motion by Kowalski supported by Reder approve the AT&T Uniform Video Service Franchise Agreement.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: Brandt

Absent: None

Motion carried.

#### Hall Request - Fundraiser to Benefit B. Beiser April 7, 2018

Motion by Kowalski supported by Walsh to approve the request submitted by T. Beiser to waive hall rental fees for a B. Beiser benefit fundraiser to be held on April 7, 2018, signed contract and damage deposit required; security required if applicable.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

#### Hall Request ó Bay City Lions Club ó March 14, 2018

Motion by Pike supported by Walsh to approve the request submitted by the Bay City Lions Club to waive hall rental charges for use of the township hall on March 14, 2018; signed contract, damage and security deposits required.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

#### Hall Request - Community All-Stars Bowling League May 12, 2018

Motion by Kowalski supported by Walsh to approve the request submitted by the Community All-Stars Bowling League (a league comprised of people with disabilities) for use of the township hall on May 12, 2018; signed contract, damage deposit required.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Reder, Walsh

No: Pike, Brandt, Kochany

Absent: None

Motion carried.

2017 Budget Adjustments ó All Funds

Motion by Pike supported by Kochany to approve the 2017 budget adjustments as submitted in the February 26, 2018 Clerk's office memo to the Board.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

2018 Budget Adjustment

Motion by Pike supported by Brandt to approve the 2018 general fund budget adjustment as submitted in the February 26, 2018 Clerk's office memo to the Board.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder, Walsh

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

REPORTS

The Supervisor gave a report on the following:

- McAlear Update ó Student Crosswalk
- Medical Marijuana Handout
- 2018 Road Estimates Requested from the BCRC for Non-Road Millage Projects
- Lions Tag Day Drive ó April 27-28, 2018

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Cindy L. Kowalski, Clerk

Ken Malkin, Supervisor