

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2017

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.

K. Gray, 5115 Baxman Rd., stated she has not received any correspondence concerning the status of her property/trailer issue that was going to be referred to the Planning Commission as discussed during public input at the November 28, 2016 meeting.

Malkin stated the item was referred to the Planning Commission for the February 7th meeting.

Public Input closed at 7:04 p.m.

Motion by Kochany supported by Reder to adopt the agenda with the addition of DDA 2016 Budget Adjustments.

Motion carried.

Motion by Reder supported by Pike to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2016 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried.

Motion by Reder supported by Brandt to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2016 special meeting as presented.

Motion carried.

Motion by Reder supported by Pike to pay the bills in the amount of \$91,987.70 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

DDA 2017 Budget

DDA Chairman B. Bartlett was present to answer any questions the board had concerning the DDA proposed budget for 2017.

Motion by Brandt supported by Reder to adopt the DDA 2017 budget as presented.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None
Motion carried.

DDA 2016 Budget Adjustments

Motion by Kowalski supported by Reder to approve the DDA 2016 budget adjustments as presented.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

R-2017-001 Resolution Approving Telecommunications Permit ó ACD.net

Motion by Kowalski supported by Walsh to adopt Resolution R-2017-001, a resolution approving the bilateral Metro Act Telecommunications Permit application for KEPS Technologies for an initial effective period of fifteen years as follows:

**RESOLUTION REGARDING
KEPS TECHNOLOGIES INC. DBA ACT.NET**

WHEREAS, subsequent to the adoption of the Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Rights-of-Way Oversight Act, Act No. 48 of the Public Acts of 2002, the Charter Township of Monitor did adopt Ordinance No. 51 providing for the permitting of Telecommunications providers utilizing rights-of-way within the Township; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2016, KEPS Technologies Inc. dba ACD.net and ACD Telecom, Inc. did submit a Telecommunications Permit Application with exhibits,

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the Township of Monitor does hereby approve the Telecommunications Permit Application of KEPS Technologies Inc (ACD), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Township is hereby instructed to issue a bilateral permit to the Applicant for an effective Period of fifteen (15) years, (January 9, 2017 - January 9, 2032) and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Township is hereby further directed to notify the Michigan Public Service Commission of the approval of this permit.

Roll call vote:

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

No: Brandt

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Request to Waive DWS Late Fees (2) - Village Green

Motion by Kowalski supported by Reder to waive the DWS late fees for Village Green in the amount of \$125.53, based on the inability of the newly installed payment software to process their credit card payment at DWS on the due date of the previous billing cycle.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Kowalski, Pike, Reder, Walsh

No: Brandt, Kochany

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Supervisor's Recommendation of Planning Commission Appointments

Motion by Pike supported by Brandt to reappoint J. Frank and M. Morin to the Planning Commission for a three (3) year term to expire on December 31, 2019.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Supervisor's Recommendation of ZBA Appointments

Motion by Reder supported by Kochany to appoint T. Miller, and reappoint W. Sinke to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3) year term to expire on December 31, 2019.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Malkin, Pike, Brandt, Kochany, Reder

No: Kowalski, Walsh

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Supervisor's Recommendation of Board of Review Appointments

Motion by Pike supported by Walsh to appoint P. Wenzloff and reappoint R. Kienbaum & K. Thomas to the Board of Review for a two (2) year term to expire on January 1, 2019.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Supervisor's Recommendation of Wages for Alternate Members to Attend Meetings

Motion by Brandt supported by Kochany to deny the Supervisor's recommendation to pay Alternate members appointed to the ZBA and Board of Review for attending meetings they attend at which they are not serving as a seated member of the board.

Roll call vote:

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

No: Malkin

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Fire Chief Recommendation to Hire M. Killinger as On-Call Firefighter

Motion by Kowalski supported by Kochany to hire M. Killinger as an On-Call firefighter as recommended by the Fire Chief in his letter to the board dated December 28, 2016.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Fire Chief Request to Amend 2017 Public Safety Budget

Motion by Reder supported by Walsh to table to the next meeting the adjustment to the 2017 Public Safety fund in order to receive information concerning the purchase of a generator for the Fire Department from the Fire Chief.

Motion carried.

Planning Commission Inquiry Regarding Ordinance for Medical Marijuana

Reder stated the Planning Commission is requesting board direction before proceeding with a draft medical marijuana ordinance. Reder's opinion is for the township to not adopt such an ordinance.

Walsh agreed.

Kochany stated many townships are adopting an ordinance for the revenue they could receive but Kochany's opinion is the potential costs out way the dollars gained.

Malkin stated licensing the dispensaries guarantees the product purchased by those who need it.

Malkin stated if the township only has one dispensary, the township would incur a lot of cost to develop the ordinance and it is unknown if one business would be enough to recoup the cost.

Sheppard stated there are other license fees that could generate revenue as well as potential revenue from the state. The township does though have the option to opt out.

Brandt stated a concern he has had is that we do not currently know where the product is being currently grown. There have been instances where the fire department has been called as a result of marijuana being grown in basements.

Sheppard stated the statute going into effect in September would eliminate the basement grower.

Malkin stated there is nothing in the statute that states if we opt out now, we could not later opt in. It may be advantageous to wait and see what happens after the statute has been in place for a year.

Motion by Kowalski supported by Pike to direct the Planning Commission to table development of a Medical Marijuana Ordinance at this time.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

- MTA Annual Conference April 10-13 ó Conference Registration & Housing - Board members were encouraged to submit registration forms to the Clerk if they wish to attend the MTA annual conference.
- Township WiFi ó Malkin stated a guest wifi has been set up for the Department of

Treasury meeting.

- Subdivision Meetings ó The executive board members will have a meeting with M. Norton with Spicer on Wednesday. Malkin will inform the board when the subdivision meetings are scheduled.
- Informational Joint Meeting ó WTP Unified Transmission System January 19, 2017 Bangor Twp. Hall ó 6:30 p.m.
- Possible Joint Meeting ó Township Board, Planning Commission, ZBA ó McKenna has prepared a 2016 annual report. A joint meeting will be scheduled at a future date to discuss this and the technical review of the zoning ordinance and the proposed amendments drafted by the Planning Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Cindy L. Kowalski, Clerk

Ken Malkin, Supervisor