

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR  
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
MAY 14, 2012

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

Members present: Brandt, Kowalski, Pike, Arnold, Kochany, Malkin, 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 Kowalski supported by Miller to adopt the agenda with the addition of Weekend Hall Custodian & Personnel Committee and EPA Public Notice & Muskegon Development Corp. Permit Request.  
Motion carried.

Motion by Malkin supported by Kochany to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2012 regular meeting as presented.  
Motion carried.

Motion by Pike supported by Kowalski to pay the bills in the amount of \$80,440.30 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

R-2012-006 Resolution Adopting and Establishing Fees for Building, Mechanical & Plumbing Permit Applications

Board members would like additional time to consider the building permit fees submitted by the building official. The resolution to adopt fees was amended at the meeting to adopt the revised plumbing and mechanical fees.

Motion by Arnold supported by Malkin to adopt Resolution R-2012-006, a resolution adopting and establishing fees for Plumbing and Mechanical permits as follows:

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND ESTABLISHING FEES FOR MONITOR  
TOWNSHIP MECHANICAL, AND PLUMBING PERMIT APPLICATIONS  
AS PROVIDED BY THE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Stille-DeRossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act (MCL Section 125.1501 et. seq.) the Charter Township of Monitor has authority to establish reasonable fees as the enforcing agency of the State Construction Code, and

**WHEREAS,** the State Construction Code consists of the Michigan Residential Code, the Michigan Building Code, the Michigan Mechanical Code, the Michigan Plumbing Code, the National Electrical Code, and the Michigan Uniform Energy Code.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that any individual, partnership, corporation or LLC commencing work which requires a permit pursuant to the various Codes of the State Construction Code, including but not limited to the Michigan Building Code, the Michigan Mechanical Code, the Michigan Plumbing Code, and the National Electric Code shall obtain such a permit prior to the commencement of work.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Monitor Township Board does hereby adopt and establish the revised Mechanical and Plumbing Permit fees associated to the permit applications.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

#### Spicer Estimate to Determine RTS Charge for Michigan Sugar

Malkin and Kowalski questioned if the cost to review and determine the REUø assigned to Michigan Sugar would be worth the cost of the study or the revenue that may be gained from having the study done.

Brandt stated that over the years Michigan Sugar has built new buildings and made renovations to the plant. The purpose of the study is to determine if the assigned RTS REU calculations are accurate and verify the lines that are connected to the Monitor Township sanitary sewer.

Motion by Miller supported by Malkin to accept the proposal submitted by Spicer to review and verify the REU assignment for Michigan Sugar at a cost not to exceed \$5,000, and designate that the cost of study is to be paid from the township sewer fund.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

#### Estimate to Install ADA Door Opener

Brandt submitted three estimates to have automatic door openers installed at the main office and north hall entrances. Brandt reported that all estimates do not include cost for electrical connection.

Kowalski stated there is a HAVA grant available that may pay for all or a portion of this expense. The deadline for grant submittal is May 31, 2012.

Brandt stated he will obtain estimates for the electrical hook-up for Kowalski to include in the grant application. Brandt will also ask the three companies for references so we can determine which door opener system will work best overall.

Uhlmann Fireworks Permit Application ó June 22, 2012

Motion by Pike supported by Kowalski to approve the fireworks permit submitted by C. Uhlmann for a fireworks display at 1650 E. Salzburg Rd. on June 22, 2012, contingent upon Fire Department inspection of the site prior to the event.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Fire Chief Request to Designate Enbridge Grant to Public Safety Fund

Motion by Kowalski supported by Pike to allocate the \$1,000 grant donation from Enbridge Inc., to the Public Safety Fund for the future purchase of fire department equipment, as requested in the Fire chief's letter to the board dated April 30, 2012

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Hall Request ó Cortland Farms Condominium Association

Motion by Kowalski supported by Miller to grant Cortland Farms Condominium Association use of the Township Hall on August 21, 2012 for their annual meeting; signed contract, all fees waived.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Weekend Hall Custodian ó Personnel Committee

Motion by Kochany supported by Kowalski to hire D. Kalinowski as the weekend hall custodian at the 2012 adopted rate of \$8.14/hr.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

EPA Public Notice ó Muskegon Development Corp. Permit Request

The township received a public hearing notice from the EPA regarding a permit application submitted by Muskegon Development Corp. Miller questioned if this was the same type of secondary oil recovery process that was discussed at the time the Chip Road waterline was discussed. Miller inquired if the board should submit any "official" comments concerning the application.

Kowalski replied the township does not have the authority to either approve or disapprove the type of oil recovery process that is used. Should the township desire to submit written

comments, then additional information is needed to back up our reasoning based on facts rather than supposition.

Miller will further investigate the process and its potential effects on ground water and environmental impact.

#### Supervisor/Other Reports

Brandt received an inquiry from H. Miller inquiring if the stop work order could be lifted in order for him to proceed with the building on S. Euclid Ave.

The Board was unanimous in the opinion that the board cannot override the requirement for planning commission site plan approval before further work commences.

Arnold questioned if a sports complex could be erected in AG as a special use. The Zoning Ordinance does not provide a definition for a sports complex.

Kochany felt that a sports complex could be used for more uses than those stated on the original special use permit.

Malkin stated if there is a question, the planning commission should refer it to the ZBA to make the determination as to whether a sports complex should be allowed in AG as a permitted special use.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Cindy L. Kowalski, Clerk

Gary A. Brandt, Supervisor