

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

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 as presented.
Motion carried.

Motion by Miller supported by Kochany to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2013 regular meeting as presented.
Motion carried.

Motion by Kowalski supported by Kochany to pay the bills in the amount of \$11,225.81 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Kowalski supported by Malkin to receive the Treasurer's Report for August 2013.
Motion carried.

R-2013-008 Resolution Setting Time to Consider Michigan Sugar IFT Application

Motion by Kowalski supported by Malkin to adopt resolution R-2013-008, a resolution setting the time to consider the Michigan Sugar IFT application for the October 28, 2013 meeting as follows:

**RESOLUTION SETTING A TIME TO CONSIDER APPLICATION FOR
INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE FOR
MICHIGAN SUGAR COMPANY**

WHEREAS, pursuant to 1974 PA 198, as amended, that being MCLA Section 207.551 et seq., the Charter Township of Monitor has established an Industrial Development District encompassing a portion of property owned by Michigan Sugar Company; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Sugar Company has now applied for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate under the provisions of 1974 PA 198, as amended; and

WHEREAS, 1974 PA 198, as amended, provides that before acting upon such an Application for Industrial Facilities Certificate, the Township Board shall afford the applicant, the assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units an opportunity for a hearing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the application of Michigan Sugar Company for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate shall remain on file in the office of the Township Clerk.
2. That the Township Board shall meet at the Monitor Township hall on October 28, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., and shall provide to the applicant, the local assessor and representatives of each of the taxing units an opportunity to be heard on the questions of Michigan Sugar Company's Application for an Industrial Facilities Certificate which relates to the acquisition of equipment within the proposed District to be created.
3. That the Township Clerk inform, by certified letter, the applicant, the local assessor and the legislative body of each taxing unit which levies ad valorem taxes in the Township of Monitor on the property located within the Industrial Development District.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Consideration of Township Wide Trash/Recycling/Yard Waste Bids

The township's contract for weekly residential trash pick-up, weekly seasonal yard waste and biweekly recycling and bulk items expires in December. The Clerk requested and received bids from Waste Management and Republic Services. The bid rate schedules were as follows:

Waste Management: 2014 - \$11.10 per unit per month, 2015 - \$11.37 per unit per month, 2016 - \$11.66 per unit per month, 2017 - \$11.95 per unit per month, and 2018 - \$12.25 per unit per month. Fuel Adjustment of \$.01 for each \$.04 increase if the price of diesel fuel exceeds \$4.25 per gallon.

Republic Services Option 1: 2014 - \$11.58 per unit per month, 2015 - \$11.93 per unit per month, 2016 - \$12.29 per unit per month, 2017 - \$12.65 per unit per month, and 2018 - \$13.03 per unit per month. Fuel Adjustment of \$.04 for each \$.10 increase if the price of diesel fuel exceeds \$4.75 per gallon.

Republic Services Option 2 with a recycle cart instead of the recycle bins: 2014 - \$12.48 per unit per month, 2015 - \$12.85 per unit per month, 2016 - \$13.24 per unit per month, 2017 - \$13.64 per unit per month, and 2018 - \$14.05 per unit per month. Fuel Adjustment of \$.04 for each \$.10 increase if the price of diesel fuel exceeds \$4.75 per gallon.

Jill Reynolds from Waste Management was present to answer board questions. Miller & Pike asked if Monitor Township could be included as a hazardous waste drop off location.

Reynolds responded that it could be arranged as a periodic service and would require a coordinator at the township to get it set up and implemented.

Miller responded he would be happy to coordinate for the pick up events.

Motion by Arnold supported by Malkin to accept the low bid from Waste Management for a 5-year contract for township-wide solid waste services.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

R-2013-009 Resolution of Intent to Amend Trash Special Assessment Roll

Motion by Miller supported by Kochany to adopt Resolution R-2013-009, a resolution of intent to amend the township-wide trash special assessment roll and set the public hearing for our next regular meeting of October 28, 2013 as follows:

**RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO AMEND SPECIAL ASSESSMENT
ROLL REGARDING MONITOR TOWNSHIP TRASH PICKUP
SERVICE, AND TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING
SAME**

WHEREAS, on August 24, 1998, a Resolution of Intent to Proceed After Public Hearing was adopted, which Resolution established a Township wide special assessment district for trash pick-up, and

WHEREAS, the special assessment roll of all parcels in the Township to be included in the special assessment district was confirmed by the Monitor Township Board after public hearing held September 14, 1998, and

WHEREAS, the Township has executed a Township Wide Residential Trash Removal Agreement to effectuate the trash pick-up program, and

WHEREAS, it has now become necessary to add as many as one hundred sixty four (164) parcels and delete as many as thirteen (13) parcels from the special assessment roll as originally adopted, and

WHEREAS, any amendment to a confirmed special assessment roll for any special assessment district created pursuant to Public Act 188 of 1954, requires a public hearing and notice of said hearing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing shall be conducted upon the amendment of the special assessment roll, which hearing will be held at the Monitor Township Hall at 2483 East Midland Road, Bay City, Michigan, commencing at 7:00 p.m. on October 28, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk and the Assessor shall prepare an Amended Assessment Roll which shall include all parcels necessary to be added and all parcels to be deleted from the Special Assessment Roll previously confirmed by this Board, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk shall mail notification to the owners of record of each parcel being added to or deleted from the special assessment roll, and publish notice two times in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township in a manner consistent with the notice requirements of Act 188 of 1954.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Kowalski presented a spreadsheet to reduce the fund equity in the solid waste fund over a 5-year period. Doing so would further reduce the cost to township residents for trash services. The yearly reduction schedule would be re-evaluated each year prior to completion of the Clerk's Certificate.

Motion by Malkin supported by Miller to reduce the solid waste fund equity in 2014 and set the rate charged to residents for the 2014 trash assessment to \$10.79/parcel/month.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Time Extension Request – Holly Springs Phase I Final Preliminary Plat Approval

Schauman Development has requested an additional six month extension of the final preliminary plat approval previously granted (May 10, 2013 thru November 10, 2013). Road construction on Midland Road delayed the Holly Springs project to stay on schedule this summer.

Motion by Arnold supported by Malkin to extend the final preliminary plat approval for Holly Springs Phase I an additional six month period from November 10, 2013 to May 10, 2014.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Resignation of Probationary On-Call Firefighter Candidate – B. Murphy

Motion by Kowalski supported Kochany to accept the resignation of probationary on-call firefighter candidate B. Murphy, as recommended by the Fire Chief in his September 18, 2013 memo to the board.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None
Motion carried.

Termination of Probationary On-Call Firefighter Candidate – J. LaFray

Motion by Kowalski supported by Malkin to terminate the employment of probationary on-call firefighter candidate J. LaFray, as recommended by the Fire Chief in his September 18, 2013 memo to the board.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Fire Chief Hall Request for 2013- 2014 Fire Academy

Motion by Malkin supported by Kowalski to grant the Fire Chief's September 20, 2013 hall request to hold the winter 2013 – 2014 Fire Academy classes beginning December 3, 2013 and ending May 17, 2014.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Hall Request – Girl Scouts Cookie Distribution

Motion by Kowalski supported by Malkin to grant the Girl Scout Service Area 50554 use of the township hall for cookie distribution on Monday December 2, 2013 from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; signed contract, all fees waived.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Brandt reported on purchases that will need to be considered during the 2014 budget workshops; primarily the replacement of the main office copier and upgrades to the Microsoft XP software and training that may be needed.

Court has been scheduled September 30, 2013 on two pending litigation cases.

A township representative needs to attend the Euclid Avenue Access Management workshops.

Brandt suggested D. Darland as he is on both the planning Commission and ZBA.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Cindy L. Kowalski, Clerk

Gary A. Brandt, Supervisor