

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
MEETING OF DECEMBER 20, 2010**

The Charter Township of Brownstown regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Monday, December 20, 2010.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Linko at 7:00 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL BY CLERK BERECZ:

PRESENT: Supervisor Linko, Clerk Berez, and Treasurer Warren. Trustees: Cronin, Eberth, Taft, and Walters. Also in attendance were Public Safety Director Sclater, Fire Chief Drouillard, Economic Development Manager DiSanto, DPW Director Gahry, Recreation Director Maxe, Assessor Iott, Township Attorney Foley, and Township Engineer Woodworth.

MINUTE ACCEPTANCE:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Taft, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2010, with a correction to the DDA/Façade Improvement Application Concurrence, removing the dollar amount for the balloon payment for Marlow's, and amending it to read, "then a payment for the remaining balance would be due in full at the end of the current lease which has three years left". All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion of Warren, supported by Berez, to approve the Agenda of December 20, 2010, with the removal of Public Works Item #9F1, Employee Replacement, as it is a duplicate of what is already under the Clerk's Report. All voting aye.

PRESENTATION: BROWNSTOWN FIREFIGHTERS' DONATION TO THE BROWNSTOWN GOODFELLOWS:

Lt. Van Wallaghen said that more than \$68,000.00 was raised this year for the Brownstown Goodfellows and thanked the residents of Brownstown and surrounding communities for their continued support.

PRESENTATION: HURON RIVER YELLOW JACKETS – WINNERS OF THE 2010 PEANUT BOWL:

Supervisor Linko congratulated and presented certificates to the Huron River Yellow Jackets little league team for winning the 2010 Peanut Bowl on November 13, 2010 vs. Dearborn Blue.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Public forum was held from 7:20 p.m. until 7:37 p.m.

1ST READING ORDINANCE #173-6; TO AMEND ORDINANCE #173 "ANIMAL CONTROL":

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance #173-6, an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 173, "Animal Control", to provide for the reduction of some violations from misdemeanors to civil infractions and other amendments. All voting aye.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 33RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT 2011 BUDGET:

Motion of Walters, supported by Warren, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-25 as submitted for the 33rd Judicial District Court Budget for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, with a correction to change the date in the resolution to reflect 2011. Roll

call vote: Eberth, aye; Taft, aye; Walters, aye; Cronin, aye; Warren, aye; Berez, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-26 for Regularly Scheduled Meetings. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Berez, aye; Cronin, aye; Taft, aye; Walters, aye; Eberth, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – WAYNE COUNTY PERMIT APPLICATION FOR ANNUAL MAINTENANCE:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve and adopt Wayne County Permit Application for Annual Maintenance Resolution #2010-27 to include DPW Director Gahry, Assistant DPW Director Julian, and Economic Development Manager DiSanto as authorized positions to apply to the County of Wayne Department of Public Services Engineering Division Permit Office for the necessary permit to work within County road right-of-way or local roads on behalf of the Charter Township of Brownstown. Roll call vote: Cronin, aye; Taft, aye; Berez, aye; Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Walters, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – WAYNE COUNTY PERMIT APPLICATION FOR ANNUAL PAVEMENT RESTORATION:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve and adopt Wayne County Permit Application for Annual Pavement Restoration A-11092 Resolution #2010-28 to include DPW Director Gahry, Assistant DPW Director Julian, and Economic Development Manager DiSanto as authorized positions to apply to the County of Wayne Department of Public Services Engineering Division Permit Office for the necessary permit to work within County road right-of-way or local roads on behalf of the Charter Township of Brownstown. Roll call vote: Eberth, aye; Warren, aye; Taft, aye; Berez, aye; Walters, aye; Cronin, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO TRANSFER HUMAN RESOURCE/PAYROLL COORDINATOR BACK UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE SUPERVISOR’S OFFICE:

Motion of Warren, supported by Walters, to approve to transfer the Human Resources/Payroll Coordinator back under the direction of the Supervisor’s Office. Ayes: Cronin, Eberth, Linko, Taft, Walters, and Warren. Nays: Berez. Motion carried.

2011 COMMISSION REAPPOINTMENTS:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the reappointment of Rick Whitecotton to the Beautification/Historical Commission for a 2-year term to expire January 1, 2013. All voting aye.

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the reappointments of Art Nagy and James Orwin to the Board of Review for 2-year terms to expire January 1, 2013. All voting aye.

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the reappointment of Craig Bielecki to the Brownstown Building Authority for a 3-year term to expire December 31, 2013. All voting aye.

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the reappointments of Steven Allen, David Chapman, and David Zurawski to the Planning Commission for 3-year terms to expire December 21, 2013. All voting aye.

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the reappointments of Michael Grady, Linda McCoy, Helen St. Louis, and Arthur Wright to the Recreation Commission for 2-year terms to expire January 1, 2013. All voting aye.

ANNUAL REAPPOINTMENTS 2011:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the 2011 Annual Reappointments with terms expiring December 31, 2011, as follows:

Health Officer –Henry Ford Health Systems Occupational Health Clinic
Township Attorney – Foley & Robinette, P.C.
Township Auditor – Plante & Moran
Township Planner – LSL Planning
Township Engineers – Wade/Trim Associates, Inc.
Official Newspaper – The News Herald
SEMCOG Representative – John Cronin
Election Commissioner – James Taft
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Senior Alliance Representative – vacant
Beautification Council Representative – Patricia Pfau
Huron Watershed Council – vacant
Library Commissioner – vacant
Zoning Board of Appeals Representative – Clyde Walters
Planning Commission Representative – James Taft

All voting aye.

SUPERVISOR:

2010 GENERAL FUND BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve the 2010 General Fund Budget Adjustments as submitted. Roll call vote: Warren, aye; Taft, aye; Cronin, aye; Eberth, aye; Walters, aye; Berez, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

INTERVIEW COMMITTEE FOR ASSESSOR POSITION:

Motion of Eberth, supported by Cronin, to concur with the Supervisor's Office request and approve to appoint the following individuals to a committee to interview the applicants for the vacant Assessor's position: Sue Iott, Chief Assessing Officer; Barbara Warren, Treasurer; Donna Hall, Human Resource/Payroll Coordinator; James Taft, Trustee; and James Orwin, Board of Review Member. All voting aye.

CLERK:

HUMAN RESOURCES:

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF S. BIGGAR AND BEGIN PROCESS TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Warren, to accept with regrets the resignation of Scott Biggar effective December 22, 2010, and begin the process to fill the vacant position. All voting aye.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the Clerk's report which consists of Comcast correspondence – Additional HD (high definition) channels in community and Disbursements. All voting aye.

TREASURER:

DISBURSEMENTS - \$1,121,239.25:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to approve General Fund Disbursements in the amount of \$255,444.37; Fire Protection in the amount of \$154,422.02; Police Operations in the amount of \$209,244.79; Downtown Development in the amount of \$178,279.35; Police Capital in the amount of \$149.99; Fire Capital in the amount of \$4,799.90; Housing Assistance in the amount of \$4,145.00; Drug Forfeiture in the amount of \$7,199.91; Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$1,804.00; Sewer Fund in the amount of \$96,829.27; Water Fund in the amount of \$202,953.40; and Vehicle Maintenance in the amount of \$5,967.25, for a total amount of \$1,121,239.25. Roll call vote: Taft, aye; Berecz, aye; Walters, aye; Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Eberth, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

Motion of Walters, supported by Taft, to receive the balance of the Treasurer's report, which consists of the October 2010 Investment Report. All voting aye.

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

SPECIAL LAND USE – KROGER SELF-SERVICE FUELING STATION, 23849 WEST ROAD:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to concur with the Planning Commission's recommendation for Special Land Use for a Kroger Self-Service Fueling Station in a B-2 zoning district at 23849 West Road. All voting aye.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Taft, to receive the balance of the Community Services' report which consists of Planning Commission meeting minutes of November 8, 2010 and November 22, 2010. All voting aye.

RECREATION:

RESOLUTION – WOODLAND HEIGHTS PARKS GRANT PHASE II – APPROVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH WAYNE COUNTY PARKS:

Motion of Walters, supported by Cronin, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-29 approving the Intergovernmental agreement with Wayne County for grant monies pertaining to Woodland Heights Park. Roll call vote: Berecz, aye; Warren, aye; Cronin, aye; Taft, aye; Walters, aye; Eberth, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

Motion of Cronin, supported by Walters, to accept the balance of the Recreation Department Report which consists of Community Center Update, 2010 Winter Programs, and Senior Programs. All voting aye.

PUBLIC WORKS:

DWSD WATER CONTRACT – RE-OPENER:

Motion of Taft, supported by Warren, to concur with the recommendation of Public Works Director Gahry to approve Amendment #1 to the Water Service Contract between the Charter Township of Brownstown and the Detroit Water and Sewer Department (DWSD). All voting aye.

JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – RESOLUTION TO EXTEND & MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING APPROVAL:

Motion of Warren, supported by Cronin, to approve and adopt Resolution #2010-30 for the continuation of the Downriver Wastewater Treatment System Joint Management Committee and to approve the Joint Management Committee Memorandum of Understanding for the management and control of the Downriver Sewage Disposal System. Roll call vote: Cronin, aye;

Warren, aye; Eberth, aye; Walters, aye; Berecz, aye; Taft, aye; and Linko, aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion of Cronin, supported by Taft, to adjourn the regular Township Board Meeting at 7:50 p.m. All voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry A. Berecz, Clerk
Charter Township of Brownstown

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