

**ANN ARBOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 20, 2009**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Ann Arbor Charter Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Moran at 7:32 p.m. at the Township Hall, 3792 Pontiac Trail, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105.

Present: Supervisor Michael Moran, Clerk Rena Basch, Trustees Randolph Perry, Richard Dieterle, and Claudia Sedmak.

Absent: Treasurer Della DiPietro and Trustee John Allison

Also Present: Township Attorney Sandra Sorini Elser, Utilities Superintendent Rick Judkins and Fire Chief Rick Ericson.

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

No citizen signed up for participation.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Corrections to the 6/15/09 minutes: On page 1 in the last paragraph second line strike “full”; on page 2 in the last paragraph second line strike “coloring book of” and insert “colored”, and in the fifth line strike “accepting” and insert “issuing”. On page 4 in the first paragraph fourth line after “with” insert “Washtenaw County”. **Basch moved approval of the June 15, 2009 meeting minutes as amended. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

Corrections to the 7/1/09 special meeting minutes: Under adjournment strike “2:18” and insert “3:18”. **Basch moved approval of the July 1, 2009 special meeting minutes as amended. Dieterle seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

IV. ANNEXATIONS, ORDINANCES, CONDITIONAL USES, ZONING

A. Storm Water Management Ordinance

Moran advised the Board a number of changes to the proposed ordinance were recommended at their June meeting and the ordinance is now before the Board for approval on first reading. Moran said the Planning Commission has recommended adoption but it is not a zoning ordinance. The Township attorney advised the Board she has incorporated all of Allison’s comments and comments discussed at the June meeting. The Board reviewed the ordinance and recommended further revisions to the text. **Dieterle moved approval on first reading subject to the comments discussed tonight regarding the definition of run-off coefficient, overall review of the ordinance for readability by the Township attorney, incorporation of the exact title of Washtenaw County Water Resources Commission, clarification as to who can sign plans, and discussion with the planning commission regarding the preference on how to deal with the removal of invasive nonnative species. Basch second the motion which was adopted unanimously**

B. Storm Water Management Ordinance in Subdivisions

Moran said this is a companion ordinance which seeks to incorporate plat provisions. **Dieterle moved approval of the addition to Chapter 58 section 58-72(b) and section 58-113(a) on first reading. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

C. Site Plan Ordinance

Moran indicated the Planning Commission is seeking the Board's comments prior to them scheduling a public hearing. The Board raised the question of whether site plans should be required for 5,000 square foot single family residences. Basch suggested the Board look at a footprint requirement instead of square footage for single family residences. The Board discussed several comments raised by Supervisor Moran. The Township attorney will provide the Planning Commission with a summary of the Board's comments. **Dieterle moved to send back to the Planning Commission for consideration of the Board comments and set a public hearing. Perry seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

V. APPOINTMENTS, RESOLUTIONS, REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS

A. Utilities Department Monthly Report

Judkins submitted a written report to the Board. Judkins reported on the lunch and learn seminar on geothermal heating, and the water main break at US 23 and Washtenaw. Judkins also updated the Board on the Swift Run sewer project.

B. Public Safety

1. Fire Department

Ericson reported he is working on the 2010 budget which needs to be completed by the end of the month. Ericson also reported two new fire rescues are due in by the end of the week, and he is requesting the Board's permission to sell the two old fire rescues. Ericson said he would like to bring quotes to the Supervisor for approval. **Dieterle moved to give the Supervisor and Fire Chief approval of the sale of the old rescues as an administrative matter. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

2. Sheriff Department

Sergeant P. Cook submitted a written report to the Board.

C. Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Moran advised the Board that Bill Dutil is resigning from the ZBA after 40 years of service. Moran recommended the appointment of Karen Mendelson to fill the position. **Sedmak moved to support the appointment of Karen Mendelson to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the position vacated by Bill Dutil. Dieterle seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

D. WATS

Moran advised the Board this is a request from WATS for 2009-2010 dues. Moran said he serves on WATS policy and technical committees and recommended the Board continue to support WATS. **Basch moved approval of payment of WATS 2009-2010 membership dues in the amount of \$1000.00. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

E. Discussion of Email Record Retention Policies

Moran said material was passed out at a previous meeting for the Board's review and comments. Basch said she plans to meet with the Township attorney regarding a general retention policy and recommended tabling the matter. **Basch moved to table the matter. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

F. Special Events Permit

Moran indicated the Zoning Official reviewed the application and the Township has been included on the certificate of liability insurance. Ericson said he has already signed off on the permit and has no concerns. **Basch moved approval of the special events permit for the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Walk and associated road closures for August 16, 2009. Dieterle seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

G. Appointments to Board of Review

Supervisor requests approval of his reappointment of Dawn Foerg, Robert Baird and Joel Cameron to two year terms ending on 1/1/2011. **Dieterle moved approval of the reappointment of Dawn Foerg, Robert Baird, and Joel Cameron to two year terms ending 1/1/2011. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

H. Supervisor's Report

Moran reported that the City of Ann Arbor and the WCRC have agreed to take responsibility for the maintenance of the pathway at the US 23/Geddes Road interchange. Moran reported the green low-income demonstration project has been dropped because the property owner wants too much money per acre. Moran reported that he requested complete reconstruction of Pontiac Trail from Wild Oak to the Township border for the WCRC capital improvement plan. Moran also updated the Board on the Village Green enforcement issues and reported the Michigan Supreme Court granted the Township's application for leave to appeal on the Shepherd Montessori case.

I. Clerk's Report

No report.

J. Treasurer's Report

DiPietro submitted a written report to the Board.

K. Planning Commission

The minutes were included in the Board's packets.

L. Building Department

Hamlin submitted a written activity report to the Board.

M. Farmland and Open Space Preservation Board

Moran updated the Board on the recent meeting of the FOSPB.

N. Approval of Claims Listings

Dieterle moved approval of the claims listing for June 26, 2009 in the amount of \$121,525.94. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously. Basch moved approval of the claims listing for July 6, 2009 in the amount of \$19,081.09. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously. Dieterle moved approval of the claims listing for July 15, 2009 in the amount of \$95,773.78. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

VI. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

Items were included in the Board's packets.

VII. NON-AGENDA ITEMS - None

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Basch moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m.