

**ANN ARBOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2008**

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, Treasurer Della DiPietro, Trustees John Allison, Richard Dieterle, Randolph Perry, and Claudia Sedmak.

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

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – No citizen signed up for participation.**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Corrections to the 7/21/08 minutes: On page 1 under item 3 in the third line after “Township” insert “EDC” and on page 4 under item J1 in the first line strike “deliveries” and insert “developing specifications for the new 2009 rescue apparatus.” **Perry moved approval of the July 21, 2008 minutes as amended. DiPietro seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

IV. ANNEXATIONS, ORDINANCES, CONDITIONAL USES, ZONING**A. AZ-7-08 Release for Annexation**

Moran said he contacted the City of Ann Arbor and was informed that the County is requesting annexation and utility hook-ups as part of the petitioner’s acquisition of the property. Moran explained this is a sale of property where the well and septic have both been approved. The County is insisting there be a connection to utilities which would force annexation. Moran said this is a violation of the boundary agreement-policy statement and is not a required annexation. Moran suggested tabling the matter to advise the petitioners of their options. **DiPietro moved to table annexation request for parcel AZ-7-08. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

B. Ordinance Amendment, Numbering Buildings

Moran explained this section of the zoning ordinance was inadvertently left out when the Township codified their ordinances. Moran said the Township recently discovered that the Municipal Code Corporation forgot to include the ordinance. The Township attorney indicated this ordinance is identical to the prior ordinance but does not include the enforcement provisions because they are already in the code. **Allison moved to approve on first reading the amendment to Ann Arbor Charter Township Code of Ordinances adding new article IV to Chapter 14 Buildings and Building Regulation. DiPietro seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

V. APPOINTMENTS, RESOLUTION, REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS**A. Fr. Gabriel Richard High School**

Moran explained that the high school has had some illegal gravel parking in an unauthorized area around the school. Moran said when the area plan was approved it was for a two phase development. The second phase of the development includes additional parking but due to

financial constraints their original plans are currently under revision. Moran said he asked for the planner's recommendation and was advised this is not a Board matter and needs to be addressed by the ~~Planning Commission~~ Zoning Official.

B. Economic Development Corporation

The Township Attorney explained there is an amended Articles of Incorporation with the latest proposed revisions adding provisions to Articles III and IX. **DiPietro moved approval of the resolution (document #140360_2) approving the incorporation of the Economic Development Corporation of the Charter Township of Ann Arbor. Dieterle seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.** Moran requested the Board affirm the proposed members of the first board of directors of the Economic Development Corporation. **Allison moved approval of the resolution confirming the appointment of directors of the Economic Development Corporation of the Charter Township of Ann Arbor. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

C. Board of Review

Moran explained that the Township needs a new appointment to the Board of Review due to Claudia Sedmak's appointment to the Board of Trustees. Moran requested that Robert Baird be appointed to the Board of Review. **DiPietro moved approval of the appointment of Robert Baird to the Board of Review to complete the term of Claudia Sedmak term ending January 1, 2009. Dieterle seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

D. State of Infrastructure Studies for Sewer and Water Systems

Moran advised the Board that the Utilities Committee is recommending the Board approve the proposed contracts with Stantec for the sewer and water studies. **Allison moved to accept the Utilities Committee's recommendation to authorize the Supervisor to accept the contract for the state of infrastructure report for sanitary sewer network in an amount not to exceed \$18,000, and for the contract for the infrastructure report for water network in an amount not to exceed \$17,500, subject to the Township attorney's review and approval. DiPietro seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

E. Utilities Department

Judkins reported on the slow Ayrshire easement acquisition process and utility plans for a fee structure to cover Township costs.

F. Public Safety

1. Fire Department

Ericson reported the department received a check for \$1000 from the insurance company to repair rescue one that was damaged last winter. Ericson also reported on the department's capital improvement plan, 2009 budget, WCC no parking fire lane signs, and ISO evaluation.

2. Sheriff Department

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

G. Assignment of METRO permit from Century Tel to Zayo

The Township attorney advised the Board that Century Tel has the METRO act permit and has authority to assign the permit under limited review by the Township. Zayo and their subsidiary OnVoy is going to take over the permit for Century Tel. Onvoy has been approved by the MPSC and has submitted all the required insurance and bonding documents, as well as an assignment

and assumption agreement. Onvoy is requesting that the Supervisor acknowledge the assignment. **DiPietro moved approval for the Supervisor to sign the letter assigning the METRO permit from Century Tel to Zayo Onvoy. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

H. Medical Reimbursement Plan and Service Plan related to Blue Cross/Blue Shield

Moran informed the Board that August 20th is the anniversary date with Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Moran said the Township is facing a ten percent increase for medical coverage. Kapnick Insurance Group suggested the Township change from a 10/20 to 10/40 drug plan that would result in a premium increase of less than one percent. **Allison moved approval to establish the medical reimbursement account plan and authorize the Supervisor to sign the service agreement with Kapnick Insurance Group. Perry seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

I. SEMCOG

Moran requested the payment of \$850 for SEMCOG 2009 membership dues. **Perry moved approval of payment of SEMCOG's annual membership dues. Dieterle seconded the motion. The motion carried with Basch opposed.**

J. Supervisor's Report

Moran reported on improvements to Earhart Road and Joy Road, signal changes at Dixboro Road, Clark Road and Huron River Drive, and fire fighters negotiations.

K. Clerk's Report

Basch reported on the August 5th Primary Election. Basch said the election ran very smoothly but there was a very low voter turnout.

L. Treasurer's Report

DiPietro submitted a written report to the Board. DiPietro also reported the Township is very healthy financially, however, the Township is experiencing a sizable decrease in the amount of interest generated from savings and CD investments.

M. Planning Commission

Allison reported on the Planning Commission meeting held on August 6, 2008. The minutes were included in the Board's packets.

N. Building Department

John Hamlin submitted a written report to the Board.

O. Approval of Claims Listing

Allison moved approval of the claims listing for August 1, 2008 in the amount of \$276,193.17. Dieterle seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously. Basch moved approval of the claims listing for August 13, 2008 in the amount of \$112,731.66. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously. Dieterle moved approval of the claims listing for August 15, 2008 in the amount of \$59,897.40. Allison seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

VI. INFORMATIONAL ONLY ITEMS

Items were included in the Board's packets.

VII. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Moran presented the first amendment to the Ann Arbor Charter Township pension plan. Moran said the amendment is simply a correction to reinstate the correct date. The previous supervisor had negotiated a change in the structure of the fire fighters pension calculations and then amended the plan making it effective in 2002 when it was actually effective in 2001. Moran asked the Board to authorize the supervisor and clerk to sign the resolution. **Perry moved approval of the adopting resolution and mailing of the amendment. Allison seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

DiPietro moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.