

**ANN ARBOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF MEETING - MONDAY, JULY 18, 2016**

**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 7:33 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Michael Moran, Clerk Rena Basch, Treasurer Della DiPietro, Trustees Ken Kohrs, Randolph Perry, and Claudia Sedmak.

Absent: Trustee John Allison,

Also Present: Township Attorney Matt Rechtien, Fire Chief Brian Thurston, and Utilities Director Rick Judkins.

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

Corrections to 6/20/16 minutes: On page 2 in the 9<sup>th</sup> line after “radius” insert “in the event of multiple owners resulting from phasing of the project”; in the 5<sup>th</sup> line of the motion, insert “strike” in front of “Applicant must provide...”; in the 6<sup>th</sup> line of bold print strike “50 to 44” and insert “the minimum to maximum range from 40-50 to 40-44”; and at the beginning of the 9<sup>th</sup> line insert “less than”; on page 5 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> line after “but” insert “no one” and strike “not”; in the 5<sup>th</sup> line strike “be”; and under item VIII in the 1<sup>st</sup> line strike “gave a complimentary report on” and insert “complimented” and in the 2<sup>nd</sup> line strike “Ordinance and suggested” and insert “in suggesting”. **DiPietro moved approval of the June 20, 2016 meeting minutes as amended. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**V. ANNEXATIONS, ORDINANCES, CONDITIONAL USES, ZONING - None****V. APPOINTMENTS, RESOLUTIONS, REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS****A. Dues Invoice from Huron River Watershed Council**

**Sedmak moved approval of invoice from Huron River Watershed Council for the annual membership dues in the amount of \$406.70. DiPietro seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**B. Discussion Regarding Request for Willow Run Bomber Plant Memorial**

Moran reported he received a letter from Timothy King a member of the Washtenaw County Executive Committee requesting support of the Willow Run Bomber Plant Memorial honoring the contributions of the bomber plant, the B-24 Liberator, Rosie the Riveters workers and the B-24 pilots who trained at Willow Run. Moran noted there are many supporters of the memorial project that have written letters of support. **Perry moved to recommend that the Township Supervisor write a supporting letter similar to those included in the Board packet.**

**DiPietro seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**C. Public Safety**

**1. Sheriff's Office** - The Board received a written report from the Sheriff's Department.

**2. Fire Department**

Chief Thurston submitted a written report to the Board on the department's activity for the month of June 2016. Thurston also requested Board approval for repairs to the leaking basement wall at Station 2 that is scheduled to begin this week. **DiPietro moved to approve expending up to \$8500 for repair of the leaking basement wall at Station 2. Kohrs seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**3. Paid On Call Report** - The Board received a written report from Ed Swope.

**D. Utilities Department**

Judkins submitted a written report to the Board on the department's activity for the month of June 2016. Judkins also presented Phase 2 plans for sewer maintenance lining work and requested Board approval for the expenditure of up to \$106,000 to spot fix areas located at Village Green, Earhart north of Arrowhead, Woodridge, added repair work between manholes #3 and #4 and to finish TV'ing sections. **DiPietro moved approval of Phase 2 sewer lining repairs, to repair manholes, TV pipes, and spot repair of sewer lines in an amount not to exceed \$106,000. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**E. Supervisor's Report**

Moran reported the Tech Park roads discussion continues and that he received a proposal from U of M proposing the money be divided up which has Toyota paying six times as much as the University. Moran reported Washtenaw County passed a resolution to engage the EPA on the PALL dioxane pollution problem and that a discussion is scheduled with EPA officials on July 25<sup>th</sup>. Moran reported the Planning Commission will be discussing and providing the Board with a recommendation on the issue of banning coal tar sealants and updated the Board on current building department issues. Moran also reported on the current funding status of the Dixboro Road Shared Use Trail project, and that he spoke with the vice president of U of M regarding Toyota's request to acquire additional lands for their power train expansion, and the Township's need to build an additional water storage tank.

**F. Clerk's Report**

Basch reported the primary election is scheduled for August 2<sup>nd</sup> and that she received a stack of ballots with stray marks printed in an oval for write-in that had to be reordered. Basch reported the Election Commission met and appointed some new election workers however more are needed for the November election. Basch reported a US postal truck caught fire and there is some concern ballots may have been on the truck. Basch reported the newsletter is to be sent in part electronically and a pdf version will be posted on the website. Basch reported the ZBA is scheduled to meet to consider a sign variance for the DTE solar array project and a dimension variance for a sunroom addition in Fleming Creek. Basch also reported the Northfield Township Planning Commission is having another public hearing on the Master Plan Amendment requested by the Builtmore Development Company. Basch indicated she is vehemently opposed

to the amendment and suggested the Board communicate its opposition once again. Perry suggested sending a letter and passing a resolution for them to listen to their consultants. **Perry moved to pass resolution objecting to the Northfield Township Master Plan Amendment and to authorize the Township Supervisor to communicate the resolution with supporting information to the Northfield Township Planning Commission and Board of Trustees. Basch seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**G. Treasurer's Report**

DiPietro reported mail sent to the Township's correct mailing address was returned as address unknown and expressed concern about the mail truck fire's possible loss of tax payments.

**H. Planning Commission**

The minutes of the July 5, 2016 Planning Commission meeting were included in the Board's packets. DiPietro expressed concern regarding the proposed density of the Empty Nesters Residential Development.

**I. Building Department** - Pace submitted a written report to the Board.

**J. Farmland Preservation Committee** - Moran reported on recent discussions of the FOSPB regarding affirmative easements.

**N. Approval of Claims Listings**

**Basch moved approval of the claims listing dated June 22, 2016 through June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$99,389.66. Sedmak seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously. Sedmak moved approval of the claims listing dated July 13, 2016 through July 14, 2016 in the amount of \$106,344.92. Kohrs seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**VI. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS**

Moran reported the parking lot expansion plans include long infiltration swales less than 10 feet from the line of trees that provide screening to the neighbor. Moran reported the County has recommended the trenches, but he is opposed to them because the screening trees may be lost and has recommended enlarging the detention pond instead. Moran indicated the Township will be proceeding with two variance requests and hopes to have construction completed by November.

**VII. NON-AGENDA ITEMS** - None

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**IX. ADJOURNMENT** - DiPietro moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:48p.m.