

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
June 28, 2021

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, Walsh

Members absent: McCulloch

Also present: J. Ebel, for our Township Attorney

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Public input opened at 7:01 p.m.

D. Gorm, 2854 Fisher, explained his request for FOIAs from the County Sheriff and questioned the presence of officers in the township.

Public input was closed at 7:04 p.m.

Motion by Pike supported by Walsh to adopt the agenda with the addition of: Park rules
Motion carried.

Motion by Pike supported by Walsh to approve the Minutes of May 10, 2021 regular meeting.
Motion carried.

Motion by Pike supported by Walsh to approve the Minutes of May 19, 2021 special meeting.
Motion carried.

Motion by Walsh supported by Brandt to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 128,859.03 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Brandt, Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold

No: None

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Arnold supported by Walsh to receive the Monthly Account Balance & Rev/Exp. report for May 2021.

Motion carried.

Motion by Ferguson supported by Brandt to receive Accumed & tap fees report for May 2021.
Motion carried.

A representative from Fire Safety Consultants did a through review of their service and answered questions from the board.

Motion by Ferguson supported by Pike to have the township work with Fire Safety Consultants as a third party for the Plan Review services.

Yes: Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold

No: Brandt

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

F.S.C.I. service was recommended by the Fire Chief for review of sprinkler, fire alarm, and wet chemical on an as needed basis. FSCI is bonded and insured. No contract is necessary, it does not cost the township, F.S.C.I. bills the contractor and creates the report. It will be faster, more reliable, and save the township time, money and resources.

D. Quimby and J. Hobkirk, from Weinlander Fitzhugh gave the 2020 audit report, stating their approval.

D. Scherzer, the Fire Station Owner's Representative, discussed that the dumpster placement was omitted from the building project plan. A location and a slab needs established. A cost estimate was presented from the contractors that are doing the project. Discussion ended by adding it to next month with more placement options and a surround included.

Motion by Pike supported by Ferguson to Sign the Principles of Governance per the MTA. Motion carried.

Monitor Charter Township

Principles of Governance

To maintain the highest standards and traditions of Michigan townships, we embrace these principles to guide our stewardship, deliberations and constituent services as we commit to safeguard our community's health, safety and general welfare.

We pledge to:

- Insist on the highest standards of ethical conduct by all who act on behalf of this township
- Bring credit, honor and dignity to our public offices through collegial board deliberations, and diligent, appropriate responses to constituent concerns
- Actively pursue education and knowledge, and embrace best practices
- Treat all persons with dignity, respect and impartiality, without prejudice or discrimination
- Practice openness and transparency in our decisions and actions
- Cooperate in all reasonable ways with other governmental entities and consider the impact our decisions may have outside our township's borders
- Communicate to the public township issues, challenges and successes, and welcome the active involvement of stakeholders to further the township's well-being
- Strive for compliance with all state and federal statutory requirements
- Refuse to participate in any decisions or activities for personal gain, at the expense of the best interests of the township
- Further the understanding of the obligations and responsibilities of American citizenship, democratic government and freedom

These principles we pledge to our township, our state, and our country.

Terry Spencer, Supervisor

Earl Arnold, Trustee

Linda Ferguson, Clerk

Tina McCulloch, Trustee

Sue Pike, Treasurer

Bob Walsh, Trustee

Gary Brandt, Trustee

Date



Motion by Arnold supported by Brandt to charge IPR Great Lakes, LLC the liquated damages as shown by Spicer Group, Inc. for the delay in finishing the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project.

Yes: Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt

No: None

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Pike supported by Ferguson to have the Assessor attend the Conference in August.

Yes: Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, Walsh

No: None

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Pike supported by Brandt to offer payment of taxes by credit card, to have the attorney change the Invoice Cloud contract to remove "no cap", and send in a termination with the contract to eliminate the auto renew option on it, as recommended by Attorney J. Ebel.

Yes: Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, Walsh, Spencer

No: None

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

This will add 3.25% to the payee. The cost to the township is a monthly charge of \$ 115.00 for account access and the encrypted card reader. It is a 3-year contract that can be terminated with 90 days written notice.

Motion by Walsh supported by Ferguson to Amend Ordinance 66-A to allow for up to 4 marijuana growers.

Yes: Pike, Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson

No: Arnold, Brandt

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Pike supported by Brandt to sign the Memorandum of Understanding from the Bay County Road Commission.

Motion carried.

MEMORADUM OF UNDERSTANDING
between the
BAY COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
and
CERTAIN CHARTER TOWNSHIPS OF BAY COUNTY

This Memorandum of Understanding between the Bay County Road Commission, Bay County Drain Commissioner and the Charter Townships of Bangor, Hampton and Monitor (Townships) in Bay County, is entered into for the purpose of administering and enforcing permits issued by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program (NPDES). The objective of the NPDES is to reduce and eliminate storm water pollutants entering the waterways of the State of Michigan.

Under the organization of the Bay Area Storm Water Authority (BASWA), municipalities are working cooperatively in Bay County to efficiently comply with program requirements as permitted through EGLE.

The Bay County Road Commission, Bay County Drain Commissioner and the Bay County Charter Townships of: Bangor, Hampton and Monitor agree to the following:

1. The Bay County Road Commission and the Townships will remain members in good standing of the BASWA and work cooperatively to fulfill the requirements under permits issued through the NPDES program.
2. The Bay County Road Commission will provide street sweeping and catch basin cleaning services for the Townships on Primary and Local roads within the urbanized area. They will follow approved procedures for operation and disposal of collected material.
3. The Townships will be responsible for enforcement actions, in conjunction with the Bay County Health Department and Bay County Drain Commissioner's office, for any suspected violations of standards under the NPDES program.
4. The Bay County Road Commission and Townships will notify and report to each other and the Bay County Drain Commissioner any information or suspected activity that requires action from another BASWA member(s) to be in compliance with current NPDES permits. Suspected violations needing potential enforcement actions will be reported within 24 hours.

Date: _____
William E. Schumacher, Chairman
Bay County Road Commission

Date: _____
Glenn Rowley, Supervisor
Charter Township of Bangor

Date: _____
Terry Spencer, Supervisor
Charter Township of Monitor

Date: _____
Terri Close, Supervisor
Charter Township of Hampton

Date: _____
Michael G. Rivard
Bay County Drain Commissioner

Motion by Brandt supported by Arnold to deny the pay raise request of D. DeGrow.

Yes: Arnold, Brandt, Ferguson

No: Walsh, Spencer, Pike

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Brandt supported by Pike to allow Creekwood the use of the Hall May 17th, 2022.

Fees waived, contract signed, damage deposit needed.

Yes: Brandt, Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold

No: None

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Arnold supported by Ferguson to allow Versiti Blood Center the use of the Hall August 25th, October 28th and December 30th from 1-6 p.m. Fees waived, contract signed, no damage deposit needed.

Yes: Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt

No: None

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Pike supported by Ferguson to allow Special Days Camp the use of the Hall on November 6th with the understanding that the kitchen may not be available to them due to the Fire dept. using that area. Fees waived, contract signed, damage deposit needed.

Yes: Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, Walsh

No: None

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Motion by Walsh supported by Pike to allow K Weaver the have the Rueger Farms fireworks on July 10, 2021 with a rain date July 17, 2021.

Motion carried.

Motion by Walsh supported by Pike to allow D. Julian the use of the park for a Special Event on October 1st & 2nd, 2021 with the bathrooms still open, a security deposit of \$150.00 is required, contract signed.

Yes: Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold

No: Brandt

Absent: McCulloch

Motion carried.

Park rules were questioned regarding driving on the grass. The supervisor will allow on a case by case basis.

J. Johnson, Burnham & Flower reviewed the Township insurance policy and answered questions. He presented the board with a Cyber Insurance Brochure for the board to decide at the next meeting.

T. Spencer, gave the Supervisor report and answered D. Gorm's questions from public input.

D. Scherzer reported that the SRF project is on track, Fisher will be the contractor and should start on the manholes in August, stop for the winter and finish by July 2022. The Steih grant was submitted, they will score it in July, and we should know by December if the grant is awarded. Fire Station construction is on track, on schedule and under budget. Unofficial, hoping for an October project finish, although the lockers may be a later date.

R. Walsh, Planning Commission report.

Sheriff Deputy T. Pichiotino reported for May with a print out for the board members.

V Begick, County Commissioner, discussed that the recovery fund meetings are still getting guidelines for usage of the money and the requirements to apply for the money.

Motion to receive the Communications in the board packet by Ferguson supported by Pike.
Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 10:00 p.m.

Linda Ferguson, Clerk