

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OAKLAND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 23, 2014 – REGULAR MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The September 23, 2014 Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Oakland Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Gonser at 7:01 PM in the Township Hall, 4393 Collins Rd., Rochester, MI.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Supervisor Gonser led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Reilly called the Roll.

PRESENT: Terry R. Gonser, Supervisor
Jeanne Langlois, Treasurer
Karen Reilly, Clerk
Robin Buxar, Trustee
Michael Bailey, Trustee
Maureen Thalmann, Trustee
John Giannangeli, Trustee

Ann Capela, Township Manager
Daniel Kelly, Township Attorney
Mary Purcell, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: NONE

A quorum was present.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

The Board heard public comment from:
Mindy Milos-Dale, Parks and Recreation Director
Charles Beach, 175 Cherry Dr., OT
Dick Michalski, 3070 Wains Way, OT
Frank Ferriolo, 5600 Kirkridge Tr., OT

AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED BY LANGLOIS, SECONDED BY BUXAR to approve the agenda as amended.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board considered approval of the following items on the consent agenda containing:

1. Approval of the minutes for the September 9, 2014 Regular and Special (Closed Session) meetings. There were no changes to the Closed Session minutes of the Special meeting and the Board accepted the Special (Closed Session) minutes as presented.
2. Approval of the bills from September 23, 2014 in the amount of \$84,763.95 and bills from September 10, 2014 in the amount of \$21,849.41. A copy of the lists of invoices is attached as part of these minutes.
3. Safety Paths and Trails Committee Resolution #14-16.
4. Appointment to Historic District Commission (HDC).

MOVED BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY LANGLOIS to approve the consent agenda with items #2 and #3.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

MINUTES

The following address was struck from page 65 of the September 9, 2014 minutes: ~~3836 Catalpa Ct., OT~~. It was changed to: 17192 Edinborough Rd., Detroit, MI 48219.

MOVED BY GIANNANGELI, SECONDED BY BAILEY to approve minutes of September 9, 2014 as presented with the amended address change.

The Board heard public comment from:
Frank Ferriolo, 5600 Kirkridge Trail, OT
John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION (HDC) APPOINTMENT

Heidi Paterson, HDC Chairperson and Barb Barber, Historic Preservation Planner spoke to the Board regarding Janice Derry and her appointment to the HDC Commission.

MOVED BY BUXAR, SECONDED BY GIANNANGELI to approve Janice A. Derry to serve on the Historic District Commission with term ending May 2017.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

OLDER PERSONS' COMMISSION 2015 BUDGET

Renee Cortright, OPC Executive Director, addressed the Board.

MOVED BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY BUXAR to approve the OPC budget as presented.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

AUDIT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FY END MARCH 31, 2014

Stacey Reeves from Plante Moran made a presentation to the Board.

The Board heard public comment from:

Marc Edwards, 470 Ash Ct., OT
Beth Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT
Bob Yager, 1146 Bear Creek Ct., OT

MOVED BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY GIANNANGELI to accept the audit and file it.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

PAINT CREEK CIDER MILL

MOVED BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY BUXAR to remove log jam and two (2) dead Willow trees at a sufficient height behind the Paint Creek Cider Mill and authorize Township manager to proceed with the work at lowest possible cost.

The Board heard public comment from:

John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

MOVED BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY BUXAR to form a three (3) person subcommittee of Bailey, Buxar, and Giannangeli to investigate the purpose and future use of the Paint Creek Cider Mill using resident input.

The Board heard public comment from:

Mindy Milos-Dale, Parks and Recreation Director
John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT
Bob Yager, 1146 Bear Creek Ct., OT

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

HSA CONTRIBUTIONS

MOVED BY BUXAR, SECONDED BY BAILEY to move discussion of HSA contributions (item #2 of Old Business) to after the closed session at end of meeting.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

STAFFING AND ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

The Board heard public comment from:

John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT
Frank Ferriolo, 5600 Kirkridge Tr., OT
Dick Michalski, 3070 Wains Way, OT
Barb Barber, Historic Preservation Planner
Bob Yager, 1146 Bear Creek Ct., OT

MOVED BY THALMANN to adopt the organizational chart as presented by the Township Manager.

MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF SUPPORT

MOVED BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY BUXAR to approve the modified organizational chart with 1.) Full time assistant to the manager 2.) Full time planning coordinator 3.) No administrative assistant 4.) Addition of a .5 FTE for customer service 5.) Finance and accounting at .75 in the clerk's office and .25 in the treasurer's office.

AYES: BUXAR, BAILEY, LANGLOIS, REILLY, GIANNANGELI
NAYS: THALMANN, GONSER

MOTION PASSED: 5 – 2

GOODISON PLAN

MOVED BY BAILEY, SECONDED BY BUXAR to approve the modified Goodison Sub Area Plan but to delete any reference to the Goodison DDA on page 27 and any corresponding reference.

The Board heard public comment from:

Frank Ferriolo, 5600 Kirkridge Tr., OT
Bob Yager, 1146 Bear Creek Ct., OT
John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT
Ann Marie Rogers, Parks and Recreation Commissioner

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Dick Michalski, 3070 Wains Way, OT
Bart Robinson, Goodison Garage

Clerk Reilly took a roll call vote:

AYES: BUXAR, BAILEY, LANGLOIS, REILLY
NAYS: GONSER THALMANN, GIANNANGELI

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 3

RECESS The Board took a short break starting at 10:08 PM

MEETING RECONVENED The Board reconvened at 10:22 PM

MOTION TO MOVE AGENDA ITEM #8

MOVED BY BUXAR, SECONDED BY THALMANN to move 2014 Tax Rate Request (#8 on agenda) to the next item of discussion.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

2014 TAX RATE REQUEST

MOVED BY BUXAR, SECONDED BY LANGLOIS to establish the general fund millage rate for the 2015 tax year 0.6252 mills.

Clerk Reilly took a roll call vote:

AYES: BUXAR, BAILEY, LANGLOIS, GONSER, REILLY,
THALMANN, GIANNANGELI
NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

MOVED BY BUXAR, SECONDED BY LANGLOIS to adopt the L-4029 report in its entirety with the general fund millage of 0.6252 mills

Clerk Reilly took a roll call vote:

AYES: BUXAR, BAILEY, LANGLOIS, GONSER, REILLY,
THALMANN, GIANNANGELI
NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

BOT OPINION SURVEY QUESTIONS

The Board discussed several ideas regarding the Planning Commission Opinion survey questions. They will submit their final recommendations at the next BOT meeting on October 14, 2014.

Change the introduction to reflect the township levies approximately .7 mills.
Add that Township roads are maintained by the Oakland County Road Commission.
Strike city water and add water quality improvements and add a comments line.
Add maintenance of paved roads in addition to gravel roads. Add a space for comments.
Strike question 24 on open burning.
Add questions on a single trash hauler and Paint Creek Cider Mill use.

The board also discussed other portions of the survey and will forward suggestions on to the Planning Commission.

The Board heard public comment from:
Bob Yager, 1146 Bear Creek Ct., OT

MOTION TO DISCUSS ITEM #9 ON THE AGENDA

MOVED BY THALMANN, SECONDED BY GIANNANGELI to discuss item #9 on the agenda; a request for budget amendments/transfer funds for Silver Bell Road project.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

SILVER BELL ROAD PROJECT BUDGET AMENDMENTS

MOVED BY THALMANN, SECONDED BY GIANNANGELI to transfer \$40,000 from Road Reserve Fund 931-699.010 to Roads Tri Party Matching Fund 449-930.000 for the Silver Bell Road Project

The Board heard public comment from:
Dick Michalski, 3070 Wains Way, OT

AYES: THALMANN, GONSER
NAYS: BUXAR, BAILEY, LANGLOIS, REILLY, GIANNANGELI

MOTION FAILS: 5 – 2

MOVED BY GIANNANGELI, SECONDED BY THALMANN to transfer \$40,000 from Road Reserve Fund 931-699.010 to Road Improvement Fund 449-930.XXX, a uniquely identified account.

Clerk Reilly took a roll call vote:

AYES: GONSER, REILLY, THALMANN, GIANNANGELI

NAYS: BUXAR, BAILEY, LANGLOIS

MOTION PASSED: 4 – 3

MOTION FOR A CLOSED SESSION

No motion was made to go into closed session to receive two (2) written legal opinions for the purpose of MCL 15.268.

ENGINEERING REVIEW OF WATER REPORT

MOVED BY LANGLOIS, SECONDED BY BUXAR to engage Township engineers, PEA, for a second opinion on the water report study at a price not to exceed \$5,000 and if quote is higher than that amount, it will come back to the Board.

The Board heard public comment from:

John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT

AYES: BUXAR, BAILEY, LANGLOIS, REILLY, THALMANN,
GIANNANGELI

NAYS: GONSER

MOTION PASSED: 6 – 1

BUDGET WORKSHOP DATE

MOVED BY BUXAR, SECONDED BY LANGLOIS to hold a budget workshop on Monday, September 29 2014 from 6 – 8 PM.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT PROCESS

It was suggested that when a commissioner's term is ending, that they be formally asked in writing, either one month or ninety days in advance, whether they chose to continue their term. Their response of either yes or no should also be in writing. The clerk's office would continue to maintain and update the list of commissioners' term dates, as well as, inform the BOT of commissioners who's terms are coming to an end.

The Board heard public comment from:

Dick Michalski, 3070 Wains Way, OT

John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT
Bob Yager, 1146 Bear Creek Ct., OT

There was no motion and no vote taken by the Board.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

The Board heard public comment from:

John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr., OT
Dick Michalski, 3070 Wains Way, OT

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT

Township Manager, Ann Capela e-mailed her report to the Board. She also discussed Township projects and her desire to follow purchasing guidelines.

BOARD REPORTS

TRUSTEE BUXAR

Trustee Buxar explained her note on the minutes by stating that minutes should reflect what was actually said.

TRUSTEE BAILEY

None

TREASURER LANGLOIS

The Treasurer reported that 3 members of the Safety Paths and Trails committee had an onsite meeting with the Township engineer to discuss a potential path from the Orion Rd. Bridge to the Paint Creek Trail.

She also recognized that Mr. Beach indicated that he had not been contacted regarding his ZBA term.

TRUSTEE GIANNANGELI

None

TRUSTEE THALMANN

Trustee Thalmann reported that the last NO HAZ event was a success and Parks and Recreation incurred more legal fees.

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CLERK REILLY

None

SUPERVISOR GONSER

The Supervisor mentioned that the Board packet summary sheets prepared by the Township manager were very helpful.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY LANGLOIS, SECONDED BY BUXAR to adjourn the meeting at 12:27 AM.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUS

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 7 PM
Oakland Township Hall – 1st Floor Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Karen Reilly, Clerk
OT Board of Trustees

Terry R. Gonser
OT Board of Trustees