

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OAKLAND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARCH 24, 2015 – REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Oakland Board of Trustees was called to order on March 24, 2015, at 7:03 PM by Supervisor Gonser in the Oakland Township Hall first floor meeting room, 4393 Collins Rd., Rochester, MI.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Supervisor Gonser led the reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Reilly called the Roll.

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

Also Present: Warren Brown, Township Manager
Attorney Dan Kelly
Jane Bombard, Recording Secretary

A quorum was present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and PROCLAMATIONS

Supervisor Gonser announced that April 12, 2015 through April 18, 2015 has been declared Severe Weather Awareness Week by Oakland County, and further information may be found at: www.oakgov.com/homelandsecurity.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

The Board heard public comment from:
Beth Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr.
Ann Marie Rogers, 4125 Collins Rd.

AGENDA: AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL

MOTION by BUXAR, supported by BAILEY to approve the agenda with the following amendments:

VIII. PENDING BUSINESS: Move Item 1 to Item 3, and Move Item 3 to Item 1.
VIII. PENDING BUSINESS: Add: ‘Closed Session to Review a Legal Opinion.’

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Ayes: Bailey, Buxar, Giannangeli, Gonser, Langlois, Reilly
Nays: Thalmann

MOTION PASSED: 6/1.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Bills
 - a. March 13, 2015 in the amount of \$6,232.64
 - b. March 16, 2015 in the amount of \$12,721.96
 - c. March 24, 2015 in the amount of \$275,127.65
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. March 10, 2015 Regular Meeting
 - b. March 16, 2015 Special Meeting
3. Budget Amendments
4. Historic District Commission Appointments

Trustee Langlois requested that Items 3 and 4 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

MOTION by LANGLOIS, supported by BAILEY to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

MOTION PASSED – UNANIMOUS

CONSENT AGENDA – ITEMS 3 and 4

Historic District Commission Appointments

MOTION by LANGLOIS, supported by BUXAR to accept the following renewals of service on the Oakland Township Historic District Commission for three-year terms ending in May, 2018:

Charles Busch, Jr. – Secretary
Heidi Paterson – Chairperson
David A. Phillips – Vice Chair

MOTION PASSED – UNANIMOUS

Budget Amendments

MOTION by BAILEY, supported by LANGLOIS to approve the budget amendments as presented.

The Board heard Public Comment from:
John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr.

AYES: Bailey, Buxar, Giannangeli, Gonser, Langlois, Reilly, Thalmann
NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED – UNANIMOUS

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business.

PENDING BUSINESS

FOIA Policy/Document Review Discussion

MOTION by LANGLOIS, supported by BAILEY to direct the Oakland Township Manager to secure all confidential communications and e-mails, including all communications and e-mails pertaining to Closed Sessions, and all Attorney/Client-privileged communications and e-mails, by and between the OT Board of Trustees and the OT Parks and Recreation Commission for review by the OT Attorney. To authorize the OT Manager to retain the IT Consultant, I.T. RIGHT, for assistance if necessary. To authorize the OT Attorney to work with the OT Parks and Recreation Attorney if necessary.

The Board heard Public Comment from:
Frank Ferriolo, 5600 Kirkridge Trail
John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr.

MOTION PASSED - UNANIMOUS

Resolution 15-06: Application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund

MOTION by BAILEY, supported by LANGLOIS to approve Resolution 15-06, supporting the submission of an application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, as presented.

The Board heard Public Comment from:
John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr.
Mindy Milos-Dale, Parks and Recreation Director
Barb Barber, 1395 Snell Rd.
Camilla Mannino, 3666 Locust Dr.
Frank Ferriolo, 5600 Kirkridge Trail
Beth Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr.
Joe Peruzzi, Parks and Recreation Commissioner

Ayes: Bailey, Buxar, Giannangeli, Langlois, Reilly
Nays: Gonser, Thalmann

MOTION PASSED: 5/2.

2015-2016 Budget Approval

MOTION by BAILEY, supported by BUXAR to approve Resolution 15-07, including the 2015-2016 budget.

The Board heard public comment from:

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John Markel, 245 Birch Hill Dr.

MOTION by BUXAR, supported by LANGLOIS to carry \$32,000.00 out through 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 budget years in Line Item 206-901-980-342.

MOTION PASSED - UNANIMOUS

MOTION by BUXAR, supported by BAILEY to carry \$145,000.00 out through 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 budget years in Line Item 101-931-699-249.

MOTION PASSED - UNANIMOUS

MOTION by BAILEY, supported by BUXAR to approve Resolution 15-07, including the 2015-2016 budget, as amended.

Ayes: Gonser, Langlois, Bailey, Buxar, Reilly, Giannangeli
Nays: Thalmann

MOTION PASSED: 6/1.

Closed Session: To Review a Written Legal Opinion

MOTION by BAILEY, supported by BUXAR to enter Closed Session to review a written legal opinion at 8:38 p.m.

Ayes: Giannangeli, Thalmann, Reilly, Langlois, Bailey, Buxar
Nays: Gonser

MOTION PASSED: 6/1.

MOTION by BUXAR, supported by LANGLOIS to reconvene the regular meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Ayes: Bailey, Buxar, Giannangeli, Gonser, Langlois, Reilly, Thalmann
Nays: None

MOTION PASSED - UNANIMOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

OAKLAND TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Brown will be working with the Building Director on a plan of action for the front entrance of Oakland Township Hall.

BOARD REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees

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Trustee Buxar advised there is a blood drive scheduled for Friday, April 10th, 2015 at Fire Station 2 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. More information can be found at www.oaklandtownship.org.

Trustee Bailey suggested that the Supervisor modify his comments before allowing Public Comment to state Public Comment is not a forum for Q & A but that questions can be asked in two ways: Either pose questions during the weekly Supervisor, Treasurer, and Clerk office hours each Monday or call or email the question to the Township Manager. In both instances, the goal is to answer the question immediately but if the question requires study to fully answer it, the Township Manager will add the question to an Open Issues list that he will maintain until the answer is fully developed and provided to the requester.

Trustee Bailey met with Trustee Thalmann regarding Clean Scene.

Trustee Langlois commented regarding the Tree Ordinance.

Trustee Giannangeli agreed with the idea to inform citizens that questions can be directed to the Township Manager.

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Trustee Giannangeli asked for confirmation whether the Special Use Request from the Rochester Cider Mill, included in the Township Manager's written report, will be referred to the Planning Commission, and inquired if additional items should be brought forward to the Planning Commission at their next meeting.

Trustee Thalmann reported a desire to work on a cell phone policy.

Trustee Thalmann requested active Sub-Committees reports be added to the Board's agenda.

Clerk Reilly reported on a conference she attended last week.

Supervisor Gonser reminded everyone of the OPC charity event scheduled for Friday, May 8th, 2015.

MEETING ADJOURNED

MOVED by BAILEY, seconded by BUXAR to adjourn this regular meeting at 9:08 p.m.

MOTION PASSED – UNANIMOUS

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Tuesday, April 10, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.
Oakland Township Hall – 1st Floor Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

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Karen Reilly, Clerk
OT Board of Trustees

Terry R. Gonser, Supervisor
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