

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The July 14, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Oakland Board of Trustees was called to order by Clerk Reilly at 7:03 PM in the Township Hall, 4393 Collins Rd., Rochester, MI.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL**

Clerk Reilly led the reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Reilly called the Roll.

Members Present: Karen Reilly, Clerk  
Jeanne Langlois, Treasurer  
Robin Buxar, Trustee  
Michael Bailey, Trustee  
Frank Ferriolo, Trustee

Absent: Terry R. Gonser, Supervisor  
John Giannangeli, Trustee

Also Present: Dan Kelly, Township Attorney  
Warren Brown, Township Manager  
Cari Neubeck, Deputy Clerk

A quorum was present.

MOTION by Buxar, seconded by Ferriolo to appoint Trustee Michael Bailey as Acting Chairperson for tonight's meeting in the absence of Supervisor Gonser.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

Trustee Bailey announced that the Romeo Observer newspaper has ceased to publish as of June 2015. He thanked reporter Ms. Sobotka for her dedication in covering the township meetings and wished her the best.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

The Board heard public comment from:  
John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Dr.

## **AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The Board agreed to add under Pending Business #5 – Consideration of Purchase of Real Property.

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Reilly to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Board agreed to amend the July 14, 2015 Approval of Bills amount to \$304,049.97.

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Buxar to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

1. Approval of Bills
  - July 7, 2015 in the amount of \$6,821.15
  - July 14, 2015 in the amount of \$304,049.97
2. Approval of Minutes
  - June 23, 2015

Motion carried unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **1. Discussion – Oil and Gas Drilling**

MOTION by Ferriolo, supported by Langlois to move that the matter of zoning oil & gas drilling within Oakland Township be referred to the Oakland Township Planning Commission for review and consideration of amendments to the Township's Zoning Ordinances and that any such amendments or recommendations be provided to the Board of Trustees in writing within four months.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board heard public comment from:  
Diana Noone – 1080 Sheffield Park Ln.  
Beth Markel - 245 Birch Hill Dr.  
John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Dr.  
Martin McClure – 920 E. Snell Rd.

MOTION by Ferriolo, supported by Reilly to move that pending a review and consideration of amendments to the Township's Zoning Ordinances by the Planning Commission and Township Board of Trustees, a moratorium of six months be placed on any zoning or permitting approval of any oil or gas drilling within the Charter Township of Oakland.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **PENDING BUSINESS**

### **1. 2015 USFWS Partners for Fish and Wildlife Grant Proposal**

The Board heard public comment from:

Mindy Milos-Dale, Parks and Recreation Director

Dr. Ben VanderWeide, Natural Areas Stewardship Manager

Beth Markel - 245 Birch Hill Dr.

John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Dr.

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Reilly move that Oakland Township shares a common objective with the USFWS to restore habitat for the benefit of native plant and wildlife species. Oakland Township approves of the execution of the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program Landowner Agreement dated July 14, 2015 for a period that would be completed on July 14, 2025. Oakland Township would be responsible for contributing \$5,000 to purchase native plant seed mix and \$10,940.85 for in-kind services including site preparation, mowing and prescribed burning. USFWS will be responsible for reimbursing Oakland Township for itemized project costs not to exceed \$16,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Reilly authorizing either the Township Manager or Township Supervisor to sign the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program Landowner Agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **2. Alcohol Beverages Ordinance Second Reading**

The Board heard public comment from:

John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Drive

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Buxar to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the Alcohol Beverages Ordinance No. 105.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **3. Office Furniture Purchase and Layout**

The Board heard public comment from:

John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Dr.

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Buxar to authorize the Township Manager to proceed with purchase of Proposal #1 from West Michigan Office Interiors as proposed in the submitted quote which includes installation, electrical work and an additional \$3,000 allowance for grade V finishes. Funds are to be allocated as follows: General Fund - \$26,400.00 and from the Building Department - \$17,600.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **4. Budget Amendments**

The Board heard public comment from:  
John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Drive

MOTION by Buxar, supported by Langlois to approve the proposed amendments as follows: General Fund/Elections - \$3,000.00; Police Fund/Capital Outlay – \$8,000.00; Trail Improvement Fund/Trail Admin - \$6,000.00; Building Fund/Capital Outlay - \$25,000.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **5. Consideration of Purchase of Real Property**

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Ferriolo to accept the counter offer dated July 9, 2015 for the purchase of 15.5 acres of real property located at the northeast corner of Orion and Adams Roads in the amount of \$375,000; authorizing the township manager and township clerk to sign the agreement and provide a refundable earnest deposit in the amount of \$50,000 with a 90 day period of due diligence.

The Board heard public comment from:  
John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Drive

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Buxar to authorize the township manager to proceed with Phase 1 Environmental on the property.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Board heard public comment from:  
Jan Olson - 4190 Orion Road  
John Markel - 245 Birch Hill Drive

#### **TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT**

Manager Brown commented on his submitted report.

### **BOARD REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**

**Clerk Reilly** - had no report.

**Treasurer Langlois** – Suggested that a review of Building Department fees be placed on an upcoming agenda.

She also commented on the township's municipal water system and legal expenses.

**Trustee Bailey** – Commented on the open positions on the Planning Commission.

**Trustee Buxar** – had no report.

**Trustee Ferriolo** – Mentioned the uniqueness of reporter Ms. Sobotka with the Romeo Observer over the past many years. She will be missed.

He also thanked both Ms. Saputo and Mr. Carter for their service to the Planning Commission and stated that they will be greatly missed as well.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Buxar to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:04 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.  
Oakland Township Hall – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Karen Reilly, Clerk  
Board of Trustees

Terry R. Gonser, Supervisor  
Board of Trustees