

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

DATE: JANUARY 10, 2013

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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ADMINISTRATION MEMBERS

SUPERVISOR: Rian R. Birchmeier

CLERK: Julia A. Morford

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TRUSTEES

Shirley D. Gage

Bonnie Jean Martinson

Scott R. Matzke

Scott P. Minaudo

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY:

STEVEN MOULTON

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727 S. Grand Traverse Street

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:05 p.m. by **SUPERVISOR RIAN R. BIRCHMEIER** with Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ROLL CALL: Rian R. Birchmeier, Julia A. Morford, Maryion T. Lee, Shirley D. Gage, Bonnie Jean Martinson, Scott R. Matzke, Scott P. Minaudo, and Attorney Steve Moulton

MEMBERS ABSENT: 0

OTHER INDIVIDUALS PRESENT: Twenty-one (21) other individuals

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: MORFORD MOVED, seconded by Lee to amend the Agenda by adding under "New Business" *letter e* "Closed Session – to meet in Closed Session pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) to consult with our Attorney regarding matters pertaining to the lawsuits brought against the Township by Brian Fairchild and the former Patrol Officers" and *letter f* "Purchase of Monitors for the Township Office".

ACTION OF THE MOTION

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- a. **Minutes of December 13, 2012:** **LEE MOVED**, seconded by Gage to approve the Minutes of December 13, 2012 as presented with the following corrections: **Page 3: line 1:** 1-e "Discussion", line 1 "It was asked if the Contract...instead of three (3) months **changed to** "It was ask if the Contract could have been extended another six (6) months instead of three (3) months;" **line 2/3:** "it was felt...2012" **changed to** "it was felt to just get the contract coordinated until March 31, 2013".

ACTION OF THE MOTION

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS: MORFORD MOVED, seconded by Gage to pay the bills as presented.

ACTION OF THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Minaudo, Matzke, Martinson, Gage, Lee, Morford, and Birchmeier

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried.

7:10 P.M. – OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR NON AGENDA ITEMS:

None

7:10 P.M. – CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR NON AGENDA ITEMS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1-a. Approval of Quarterly Fiscal Budget

MORFORD MOVED, seconded by Martinson to postpone the approval of the Quarterly Fiscal Budget until next month.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried

1-b. 2013 Board of Review Training

GAGE MOVED, seconded by Minaudo that the Supervisor has permission to attend the Board of Review Training on February 1, 2013 in Frankenmuth, MI at an early-bird cost of \$79; if any of the other three (3) Board of Review Members would like to attend, it is also approved.

DISCUSSION:

It was ask if the training was only for the Supervisor and if the three (3) members of the Board of Review could attend; the Supervisor responded since he is the Secretary he needs the training.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

AYES: Matzke, Martinson, Gage, Lee, Morford, Birchmeier, and Minaudo

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried

1-c. Resolution Supporting a Genesee County HOME Program Project

MINAUDO MOVED, seconded by Lee to support the Genesee County Habitat for Humanity Project within the Township of Flushing.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried

1-d. Videotaping of Board Meetings

MORFORD MOVED, seconded by Matzke to postpone the matter until next month.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried

1-e. Four (4) Monitors for the Main Office

MINAUDO MOVED, seconded by Lee that the Township purchase four (4) Acer 20” Widescreen LED Monitors at a cost of \$99.99 each.

ACTION OF THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Martinson, Gage, Lee, Morford, Birchmeier, Minaudo, and Matzke

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried.

Closed Session

7:24 P.M. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

MORFORD MOVED, seconded by Minaudo to go into Closed Session pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) to consult with our Attorney regarding matters pertaining to the lawsuits brought against the Township by Brian Fairchild and the former Patrol Officers.

ACTION OF THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Gage, Lee, Morford, Birchmeier, Minaudo, Matzke, and Martinson

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried.

8:55 P.M. RECONVENED TO REGULAR SESSION:

MINAUDO MOVED, seconded by Morford to reconvene back to regular session.

ACTION OF THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Morford, Birchmeier, Minaudo, Matzke, Martinson, Gage, and Lee

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried.

MINAUDO MOVED, seconded by Martinson to amend the *Litigation Policy* by adopting the changes to paragraph 6.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried

MINAUDO MOVED, seconded by Martinson that the compensation will remain the same for former Police Chief Dale Stevenson; if there are any further discrepancies the Supervisor will handle the matter as needed and then bring those discrepancies back to the Board.

DISCUSSION:

What is meant by discrepancies?

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
None

REPORTS:

1. Treasurer’s Report for December 2012:

- a. General Account Fund Total = \$803,984.85
- b. Checks in Transit = \$5,235.77
- c. General Fund Checking/Savings Total = \$1,105,436.20
- d. Cash in the Bank for the Different Accounts = \$803,984.86
- e. Chase Savings = \$301,451.35
- f. Water Fund Account = \$1,141,437.29
- g. Water Fund Investment Schedule = \$1,470,480.19
- h. Water Fund Grand Total = \$2,611,917.48
- i. Short Term Loan from the Water Fund to Police Fund = \$330,000
(will soon be paid back with taxes collected over time)
- j. Tax Account Fund Grand Total = \$1,401,243.54

LEE MOVED, seconded by Gage that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

Motion Carried

BOARD COMMENTS:

- 1. **MARTINSON**: have been on the job for six (6) weeks and thoroughly enjoying the experience; there is a lot to learn.
- 2. **MORFORD**: there will be a Primary Election on March 12, 2013 which affects the former 27th District held by former Senator John Gleason.

9:03 P.M. OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

9:04 P.M. - CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

THE NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE FLUSHING TOWNSHIP HALL.

ADJOURNMENT: Due to lack of business issues, **SUPERVISOR BIRCHMEIER** adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

JULIA A. MORFORD, Clerk

RIAN R. BIRCHMEIER, Supervisor

APPROVED DATE: _____