

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Via Zoom  
March 16, 2021  
7:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A meeting of the Monroe Charter Township was called to order by Supervisor Alan Barron at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, via Zoom from the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Supervisor Barron, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Barton, Trustees Howe, Janssens and Raymo. Trustee Manor arrived at approximately 7:25 p.m.

**Others Present:** Chief Cherney, Attorney Patricia McCormick and (17) attendees.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2021)**

**Motion #1.** Motion by Janssens, supported by Barton to approve and place on file the regular meeting minutes of February 16, 2021, as presented.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Barton yes, Howe yes, Raymo yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES**

**Motion #2.** Motion by Howe, supported by Raymo to approve payment of bills/invoices as listed by the Clerk, as presented.

Roll call vote: Howe yes, Raymo yes, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**Fire Department report on the fire runs for the month of February 2021.**

**Motion #3.** Motion by Raymo, supported by Smith to accept and place on file the February 2021 Fire Department report, as presented.

Roll call vote: Raymo yes, Smith yes, Howe yes, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Financial Reports:**

1. Clerk's 2021 Budget Summary Report, period ending February 28, 2021.
2. Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending February 28, 2021.

**General Reports:**

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**CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)**

1. Supervisor.
2. Building Official.
3. Blight Report

**Communications:**

1. Correspondence from Charter Communications dated 2-18-2021; Re: Upcoming Changes.
2. Correspondence from Charter Communications dated 3-5-21; Re: Upcoming Changes.

**Motion #4.** Motion by Smith, supported by Howe to accept the Consent Agenda and place on file, as presented.

Roll call vote: Smith yes, Howe yes, Raymo yes, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Adopt Resolution #21-03, set Poverty Exemption Guidelines and to repeal Resolution #21-02.**

**Motion #5.** Motion by Barton, supported by Smith to adopt Resolution #21-03, set Poverty Exemption Guidelines and repeal Resolution #21-02, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Smith yes, Howe yes, Janssens yes, Raymo yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**PROCLAMATION**

Proclamation #21-01, Recognizing National Agricultural Week March 21-27, 2021 and National Agricultural Day on March 23, 2021.

**Motion # 6.** Motion by Barton, supported by Janssens to Adopt Proclamation #21-01, Recognizing National Agricultural Week March 21-27, 2021 and National Agricultural Day on March 23, 2021, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Janssens yes, Raymo yes, Howe yes, Smith yes, Barron yes, **Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Consider approving extension of Marihuana application moratorium for one (1) month, May 5, 2021 – June 5, 2021.**

**Motion #7.** Motion by Howe, supported by Raymo to approve extension of Marihuana application moratorium for one (1) month, May 5, 2021 – June 5, 2021, as presented.

Roll call vote: Howe yes, Raymo yes, Smith yes, Barton yes, Janssens yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**Approve contract with Monroe County Road Commission for brine application for \$450.00, authorizing the Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract.**

**Motion #8.** Motion by Smith, supported by Janssens to approve contract with Monroe County Road Commission for brine application for \$450.00, authorizing the Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract, as presented.

Roll call vote: Smith yes, Janssens yes, Howe yes, Raymo yes, Barton yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

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**NEW BUSINESS (Con't)**

**Approve contract with Monroe County Road Commission for Roadside Mowing (3-cuttings) to be done by Precision Irrigation at a cost of \$9,600.00, authorizing Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract.**

**Motion #9.** Motion by Raymo, supported by Smith to approve contract with Monroe County Road Commission for Roadside Mowing (3-cuttings) to be done by Precision Irrigation at a cost of \$9,600.00, authorizing Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract, as presented.

Roll call vote: Raymo yes, Smith yes, Howe yes, Janssens yes, Barton yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**Approve payment to Monroe County Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$350.00.**

**Motion #10.** Motion by Janssens, supported by Howe to approve payment to Monroe County Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$350.00, as presented.

Roll call vote: Janssens yes, Howe yes, Smith yes, Barton yes, Raymo yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**Approve resolution with Michigan Department of Transportation for sidewalk construction work at I-75/LaPlaisance Road bridge. (No cost to the Township) Authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract.**

**Motion #11.** Motion by Raymo, supported by Janssens to approve resolution with Michigan Department of Transportation for sidewalk construction work at I-75/LaPlaisance Road bridge. Authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract, as presented.

Roll call vote: Raymo yes, Janssens yes, Howe yes, Manor yes, Barton yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments began at 7:27 p.m. Trustee Howe inquired about the American Relief Package. He stated that Monroe Charter Township is slated to receive \$1.4 million. Trustee Janssens asked Supervisor Barron about the upcoming SEMCOG meeting and attendance. Supervisor Barron stated that it is a virtual meeting and will report back to the Board what is discussed. Wayne Blank asked about the LaPlaisance Road bridge and the upcoming work by the Monroe County Road Commission on Mortar Creek Road. Would it be closed causing the residents of Bolles Harbor to have limited access due to closures? Clerk Smith and Supervisor Barron advised that it would be a chip and seal and would be open to residents. Mr. Blank also asked where the Marihuana survey was at. Supervisor Barron stated there will be no survey regarding Marihuana. Public comments ended at 7:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**


**Motion #12.** Motion by Smith, supported by Raymo to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Roll call vote: Smith yes, Raymo yes, Barton yes, Manor yes, Howe yes, Janssens yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

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Christina Smith, Clerk

Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor

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