

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 20, 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, July 20, 2021 from the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Barron, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Barton, Trustees Manor, Howe, Janssens and Raymo.

Others Present: Chief Cherney, Attorney Patricia McCormick and twenty-eight (28) attendees.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2021 and Special Meeting Minutes of June 29, 2021)

Motion #1. Motion by Manor, supported by Howe to approve and place on file the regular meeting minutes of June 15, 2021 and Special Meeting Minutes of June 29, 2021, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES

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

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

Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Planning Commission report for the month of July 2021.

Motion #3. Motion by Howe, supported by Raymo to accept and place on file the Planning Commission report, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

Motion #4. Motion by Manor, supported by Howe to accept and place on file the June 2021 Fire Department report, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

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SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT

Sheriff Department report for the month of June 2021.

Motion #5. Motion by Barton, supported by Raymo to accept and place on file the Sheriff Report for the month of June 2021, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports:

1. Clerk's 2021 Budget Summary Report, period ending June 30, 2021.
2. Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending June 30, 2021

General Reports:

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

Communications:

1. Correspondence from Comcast dated 6-10-2021; Re: changes to Xfinity TV Services (Programming Advisory).

Motion #6. Motion by Howe, supported by Manor to accept the Consent Agenda and place on file, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Approve Resolution to authorize Consumers Energy to make changes in the lighting service as provided in the Standard Lighting Contract between Consumers Energy and the Township. Work to be done on Telegraph Road and West Albain Road. (No cost to Township).

Motion #7. Motion by Howe, supported by Raymo to approve Resolution to authorize Consumers Energy to make changes in the lighting service as provided in the Standard Lighting Contract between Consumers Energy and the Township. Work to be done on Telegraph Road and West Albain Road, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Approve Resolution to authorize Consumers Energy to make changes in the lighting service as provided in the Standard Lighting Contract between Consumers Energy and the Township. Work to be done on S. Dixie Hwy. at entrance of Mable Kehres, south to Dallas Road. (No cost to Township).

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RESOLUTIONS (Con't)

Motion #8. Motion by Manor, supported by Janssens to approve Resolution to authorize Consumers Energy to make changes in the lighting service as provided in the Standard Lighting Contract between Consumers Energy and the Township. Work to be done on S. Dixie Hwy. at entrance of Mable Kehres, south to Dallas Road, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign 2021 Tax Rate Request Form L-4029.

Motion #9. Motion by Barton, supported by Howe to authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign 2021 Tax Rate Request Form L-4029, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Approve Zoning Request of James Jacobs Architects LLC/Quarry Ridge Inc., Monroe, Michigan, Property 1.D. #5812-020-203-00, to rezone a portion of vacant property located on the west side of Hull Road, north of adjacent to the Quarry Modern Eatery restaurant, south of Plum Creek, east of South Dixie Highway from R-3 (High Density Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial), total area containing approximately 1.373 acres. (Approved by Planning Commission).

Motion #10. Motion by Howe, supported by Manor to approve Zoning Request of James Jacobs Architects LLC/Quarry Ridge Inc., Monroe, Michigan, Property 1.D. #5812-020-203-00, to rezone a portion of vacant property located on the west side of Hull Road, north of adjacent to the Quarry Modern Eatery restaurant, south of Plum Creek, east of South Dixie Highway from R-3 (High Density Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial), total area containing approximately 1.373 acres, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Consider approving the Clerk to publish meeting minutes to the Township website and the publish a small notice in the Monroe News identifying where the minutes have been posted. This would be in place of publishing a synopsis in the paper.

Motion #11. Motion by Howe, supported by Raymo to approve the Clerk to publish meeting minutes to the Township website and the publish a small notice in the Monroe News identifying where the minutes have been posted. This would be in place of publishing a synopsis in the paper, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Accept and place on file recommendation of the Salary Compensation Commission for 2022 and 2023 salaries of elected officials.

Motion #12. Motion by Janssens, supported by Barton to accept and place on file recommendation of the Salary Compensation Commission for 2022 and 2023 salaries of elected officials, as presented.

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

Accept and place on file updated fee schedule for Mannik and Smith.

Motion #13. Motion by Manor, supported by Howe to accept and place on file updated fee schedule for Mannik and Smith, as presented.

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

Approve 3rd quarter payment to Monroe County Business Development Corporation in amount of \$750.

Motion #14. Motion by Barton, supported by Howe to approve 3rd quarter payment to Monroe County Business Development Corporation in amount of \$750, as presented.

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

Authorize contribution of \$750, and approve service agreement with Monroe County Conservation District.

Motion #15. Motion by Janssens, supported by Smith to authorize contribution of \$750, and approve service agreement with Monroe County Conservation District, as presented.

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

Approve extension of SMCC lease of ballfields for one (1) year, to 2024, due to cancellation of 2020 season.

Motion #16. Motion by Barton, supported by Raymo to approve extension of SMCC lease of ballfields for one (1) year, to 2024, due to cancellation of 2020 season, as presented.

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

Open sealed bid for Truck #8. (Only one bid received).

Motion #17. Motion by Barton, supported by Smith to accept the sealed bid for Truck #8, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton no, Smith no, Raymo no, Howe no, Janssens no, Manor no, Barron no. **Motion denied.**

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

Waive second reading to add to the General Ordinance and approve adding Section 8.1365 to Zoning Ordinance 52-2010 to allow and regulate Recreational and Medical Marihuana Businesses; To include text amendments to Ordinance 52 2010: Table of Contents page iii; Section 2.02 Definitions; Section 4.302 Table of Permitted Uses by District; Section 5.01 Schedule of Regulations; Section 5.02 (0) Footnotes to the Schedule of Regulations; Permitted Uses and/or Permitted Uses after Special Approval in the C-2 (General Commercial Section 7.102.B); and LI (Light Industrial, Section 7.201.A.B) Zoned Districts, all to reference Recreational and Medical Marihuana Businesses, and to have published in the Monroe News and become effective 30 days after publication. (This was tabled from June Meeting).

Motion #18. Motion by Raymo, supported by Manor to waive second reading to add to the General Ordinance and approve adding Section 8.1365 to Zoning Ordinance 52-2010 to allow and regulate Recreational and Medical Marihuana Businesses; To include text amendments to Ordinance 52 2010: Table of Contents page iii; Section 2.02 Definitions; Section 4.302 Table of Permitted Uses by District; Section 5.01 Schedule of Regulations; Section 5.02 (0) Footnotes to the Schedule of Regulations; Permitted Uses and/or Permitted Uses after Special Approval in the C-2 (General Commercial Section 7.102.B); and LI (Light Industrial, Section 7.201.A.B) Zoned Districts, all to reference Recreational and Medical Marihuana Businesses, and to have published in the Monroe News and become effective 30 days after publication, as presented.

Roll call vote: Raymo no, Manor no, Smith no, Barton no, Howe no, Janssens no, Barron no. **Motion denied.**

Motion to rescind rezoning of 14727 LaPlaisance Road, Monroe, Michigan, Property ID #5812-020-260-00 (Golf Course) from C-2 (General Commercial) to LI (Light Industrial), total area containing approximately 142 acres, as was approved by Township Board May 18, 2021 and reverse said property to its previous zoning of C-2 (General Commercial).

Motion #19. Motion by Barton, supported by Howe to rescind rezoning of 14727 LaPlaisance Road, Monroe, Michigan, Property ID #5812-020-260-00 (Golf Course) from C-2 (General Commercial) to LI (Light Industrial), total area containing approximately 142 acres, as was approved by Township Board May 18, 2021 and reverse said property to its previous zoning of C-2 (General Commercial), as presented.

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

Accept resignation of Scott Pancone from the Maintenance Department effective July 17, 2021.

Motion #20. Motion by Howe, supported by Raymo to accept resignation of Scott Pancone from the Maintenance Department effective July 17, 2021, as presented.

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

Extend original moratorium prohibiting Township from accepting applications for marihuana related businesses for 90 days or until a marihuana ordinance is adopted beginning August 5, 2021.

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Motion #21. Motion by Manor, supported by Howe to extend original moratorium prohibiting Township from accepting applications for marihuana related businesses for 90 days or until a marihuana ordinance is adopted beginning August 5, 2021, as presented.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

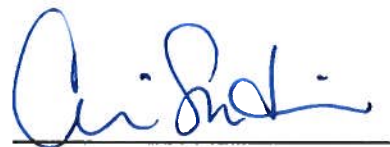
Public comments began at 7:32 p.m. and ended at 7:41 p.m.

There were four (4) public comments on the following topics: speeding drivers in South Monroe Townsite and other areas of the Township and lack of police patrols, attestations that were subject to FOIA, the quarry not being cleaned up and more swimmers, an offer of a clean-up day around the quarry.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #22. Motion by Howe, supported by Janssens to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

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



Christina Smith, Clerk

Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor

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