

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

Special Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2021

6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the Monroe Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Alan Barron at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 in the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

Present: Supervisor Barron, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Barton (left early), Trustees Janssens, Manor (Late), Raymo and Howe.

Others

Present: Community Development Director Kim Fortner, Attorneys Patricia McCormick and Catherine Kaufman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to go into closed session to A) meet with the Township attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with the lawsuit captioned David Watts v. Christina Smith and Monroe Charter Township, File No. 21-144116-AW, filed in the State of Michigan, Monroe County Circuit Court on or about June 23, 2021, as to discuss this in open session would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the Township; and B) to discuss a written legal opinion with the Township attorney, pursuant to section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion #1. Motion by Raymo, supported by Howe to go into closed session to A) meet with the Township attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with the lawsuit captioned David Watts v. Christina Smith and Monroe Charter Township, File No. 21-144116-AW, filed in the State of Michigan, Monroe County Circuit Court on or about June 23, 2021, as to discuss this in open session would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the Township; and B) to discuss a written legal opinion with the Township attorney, pursuant to section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act. And to include Community Development Director Kim Fortner in closed session, as presented

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

Closed session began at 6:33 p.m.

Motion to return to open session.

Motion #2. Motion by Raymo, supported by Howe to return to open session, as presented.

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

Return to open session at 8:10 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments began at 8:10 p.m. and ended at 8:16 p.m.

Kim Fortner advised the Board of a group that is interested in having a Reggae Festival at the old marketplace. Board members raised concerns of noise, increased traffic and the bridge construction.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #3. Motion by Raymo, supported by Manor to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

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



Christina Smith, Clerk

Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor

Monroe Charter Township