

**MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**September 15, 2020**

**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, September 15, 2020, in the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Supervisor Barron, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Barton, Trustees Manor, Heck, Pancone and Blank.

**Others Present:** Chief Cherney, Attorney Patricia McCormick and seventeen (17) people in the audience.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2020)**

**Motion #1.** Motion by Blank, supported by Heck to approve and place on file the regular meeting minutes of August 18, 2020, as presented.

Roll call vote: Blank yes, Heck yes, Pancone yes, Manor yes, Barton yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES**

**Motion #2.** Motion by Barton, supported by Blank to approve payment of bills/invoices as listed by the Clerk.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Heck yes, Manor yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**Chief Cherney updated the Board on the fire runs for the month of August 2020.**

**Motion #3.** Motion by Heck, supported by Blank to accept and place on file the August 2020 Fire Department Report, as presented by Chief Cherney.

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Blank yes, Smith yes, Barton yes, Manor yes, Pancone yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**Sheriff Department Report on police activity for the month of August 2020.**

**Motion #4.** Motion by Barton, supported by Blank to accept and place on file the August 2020 Sheriff Department Report, as presented.

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**SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT (Con't)**

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Blank yes, Smith yes, Manor yes, Pancone yes, Heck yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Financial Reports:**

1. Clerk's 2020 Budget Summary Report, period ending August 31, 2020.
2. Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending August 31, 2020.

**General Reports:**

1. Supervisor.
2. Building Official.
3. Blight Report.
4. Fire Chief

**Communications:**

1. Charter Communications dated 08/27/20; Ref: Cartoon Network changes.

**Motion #5.** Motion by Manor, supported by Heck to accept the Consent Agenda and place on file, as presented.

Roll call vote: Manor yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Barton yes, Smith yes, Barron yes, **Motion carried.**

**PROCLAMATION**

**Approve Proclamation #20-02 Honoring Captain Joseph Michael Liedel.**

**Motion #6.** Motion by Heck, supported by Pancone to approve Proclamation #20-02 Honoring Captain Joseph Michael Liedel, as presented.

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Pancone yes, Smith yes, Barton yes, Manor yes, Blank yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION**

**Approve Resolution #20-05 of Support for the Monroe Loop Trail Project.**

**Motion #7.** Motion by Barton, supported by Heck to approve Resolution #20-05 of support for the Monroe Loop Trail Project, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Manor yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**BUDGET RESOLUTIONS**

- Adopt Resolution # 20-06, 2020 General Fund Budget Amendment #3**
- Adopt Resolution # 20-07, 2020 Special Revenue Fund Budget Amendment #3**
- Adopt Resolution # 20-08, 2020 Capital Projects Fund Budget Amendment #3**
- Adopt Resolution # 20-09, 2020 Debt Service Fund Budget Amendment #3**

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**Motion #8.** Motion by Barton, supported by Manor to Adopt Resolution # 20-06, 2020 General Fund Budget Amendment #3, Adopt Resolution # 20-07, 2020 Special Revenue Fund Budget Amendment #3, Adopt Resolution # 20-08, 2020 Capital Projects Fund Budget Amendment #3, Adopt Resolution # 20-09, 2020 Debt Service Fund Budget Amendment #3, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Manor yes, Smith yes, Pancone yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**APPOINTMENTS**

**Appoint Christina Smith to replace Penny Barton on the Monroe Metropolitan Waste Water Control Board.**

**Motion #9.** Motion by Barton, supported by Pancone to appoint Christina Smith to replace Penny Barton on the Monroe Metropolitan Waste Water Control Board, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Pancone yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Manor yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Authorize payment of \$1,815.00 for support of the Monroe Area Trail Loop Feasibility Study.**

**Motion #10.** Motion by Barton, supported by Heck to authorize payment of \$1,815.00 for support of the Monroe Area Trail Loop Feasibility Study, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Heck yes, Blank yes, Pancone yes, Manor yes, Barton yes, Smith yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**Report on Quarry issues from Attorney McCormick.**

**Motion #11.** Motion by Barton, supported by Heck to accept and place on file the report on Quarry issues from Attorney McCormick, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Heck yes, Smith yes, Manor yes, Pancone yes, Blank yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**Authorize Clerk to increase payroll on Accident Fund Workers Compensation policy from \$310,582 to \$358,000 in the Fire Department payroll for the 2020-2021 policy period.**

**Motion #12.** Motion by Manor, supported by Heck to authorize Clerk to increase payroll on Accident Fund Workers Compensation policy from \$310,582 to \$358,000 in the Fire Department payroll for the 2020-2021 policy period, as presented.

Roll call vote: Manor yes, Heck yes, Smith yes, Barton yes, Pancone yes, Blank yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**

**Disband the Joint Committee for the LaPlaisance Road Corridor.**

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**Motion #13.** Motion by Barton, supported by Blank to disband the Joint Committee for the LaPlaisance Road Corridor, as presented.

Roll call vote: Barton yes, Blank yes, Manor no, Pancone no, Heck no, Smith yes, Barron no. **Motion not carried.**

**PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS**

Public and Board comments began at 8:09 p.m. Treasurer Barton stated that the 425 plan for the LaPlaisance Road Corridor is not good for the residents of Monroe Charter Township and made the motion to disband. Trustee Manor felt that the rest of the Board members not included in the meetings should be brought up to speed with the plans before going to vote. Clerk Smith also stated that the 425 is not beneficial to the Township in the future, as the land would eventually become City property and the tax base would be lost by the Township.

Supervisor Barron introduced Katybeth Davis as running for Monroe Charter Township Trustee. Ms. Davis inquired as to why there are no sidewalks down South Dixie Highway. Supervisor Barron stated that Monroe Charter Township does not have a Department of Public Works to maintain sidewalks but there is ongoing discussion and planning for sidewalks on South Telegraph Rd.

Comments ended at 8:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion #14.** Motion by Heck, supported by Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Roll call vote: Heck yes, Smith yes, Barton yes, Blank yes, Manor yes, Pancone yes, Barron yes. **Motion carried.**



Christina Smith, Clerk  
Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor  
Monroe Charter Township