

**MONROE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Monroe Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Alan Barron at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, in the Monroe Charter Township Hall, 4925 East Dunbar Road, Monroe County, Michigan.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Barron, Treasurer Barton, Clerk Schnurr, Trustees Blank, Heck and Manor.

Excused: Trustee Pancone

Others Present: Attorney McCormick and six people in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Meeting of December 18, 2018).

Motion #1. Motion by Barton, supported by Blank to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2018, as presented.

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

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS/INVOICES

Motion #2. Motion by Manor, supported by Heck to approve the payment of bills/invoices, as listed by the Clerk.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Merkle updated the Board on fire runs for the month of December 2018 and answered questions from the board and the public.

Motion #3. Motion by Blank, supported by Heck to accept and place on file the December 2018 Fire Department Report, as presented by Chief Merkle.

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

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT

Motion #4. Motion by Manor, supported by Heck to accept and place on file the December 2018 Sheriff Department Report, as presented.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports: Clerk's 2018 Budget Summary Report, period ending December 31, 2018.
Treasurer's Monthly Statement of Bank Accounts & Investments, period ending December 31, 2018.

General Reports: Supervisor, Building Official, Blight, Fire Chief, Sheriff Department.

Communications: Comcast Letter dated 12-19-18: MGM TV Channel Update and Charter Communications Letter dated 1-3-19, Re: Channels no longer offered.

Motion #5. Motion by Blank, supported by Manor to accept the consent agenda and place on file, as presented.

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

RESOLUTIONS

Approve Resolution #19-01, Set Poverty Exemption Guidelines.

Motion #6. Motion by Barton, supported by Blank to approve Resolution #19-01, Set Poverty Exemption Guidelines, as presented.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize the River Raisin Watershed Council 2019 Membership dues in the amount of \$100.00.

Motion #7. Motion by Barton, supported by Manor to authorize the River Raisin Watershed Council 2019 Membership dues in the amount of \$100.00, as presented.

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

Approve hiring Eric Kronk as a Part-Time Regular Building Inspector for five (5) hours per day / 25 hours per week, starting January 22, 2019 with a starting pay rate of \$18.00 per hour (per Salary & Wage Scale Amendment #26).

Trustee Blank questioned whether or not this position was posted and if there are any Township residents that are qualified. Supervisor Barron responded that it was posted per the Personnel Policy.

Motion #8. Motion by Heck supported by Manor to approve hiring Eric Kronk as a Part-Time Regular Building Inspector for five (5) hours per day / 25 hours per week, starting January 22, 2019 with a starting pay rate of \$18.00 per hour (per Salary & Wage Scale Amendment #26), as presented.

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

Authorize 2019 contributions to the Monroe County Business Development Corporation with a first quarter contribution of \$750.00.

Motion #9. Motion by Barton supported by Heck to Authorize 2019 contributions to the Monroe County Business Development Corporation with a first quarter contribution of \$750.00, as presented.

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

PLAT EXTENSION

Consider approving a 1-year extension of Tentative Preliminary Plat for Sheffield Village Plats II and III.

Trustee Blank requested to table until next month, with no support.

Motion #10. Motion by Manor supported by Heck to approve a 1-year extension of Tentative Preliminary Plat for Sheffield Village Plats II and III with a new expiration date of February 17, 2020.

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

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS

Public comments started at 7:19 p.m. There were five public and board comments.

- Trustee Blank asked how he can be appointed to committees. Supervisor Barron stated that the 2019 Appointments were approved by this Board at the December 2018 meeting. Trustee Blank asked who makes the appointments, Supervisor Barron stated that the Supervisor makes the appointment recommendations and the Board approves them, like we did at the last meeting.
- Trustee Manor suggested having the Friends of Potter Field take a look at the cemetery located near proposed Sheffield Village Plats II & III.
- Milward Beaudry updated the Board on issues at MPACT due to possible funding loss.
- Derrick Whittaker notified the Board that the Rite-Aid on the corner of Telegraph and M-50 is closing soon.
- Supervisor Barron notified the Board that there is a possibility of having a Workshop with Rotary Club on Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

Public and Board comments ended at 7:29 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #11. Motion by Heck, supported by Manor to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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



Bob Schnurr, Clerk
Monroe Charter Township

Attested:



Alan Barron, Supervisor
Monroe Charter Township