

**BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2010**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Mull at 1:02 p.m. with a moment of silence/silent prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag at Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Manchester, MI.

Present: Supervisor Jolea Mull, Clerk Laurie Fromhart, Treasurer Amy Riley and Trustees Dave Faust and Geoff Oliver.

Attendance: 3

**II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

There were no public comments.

**III. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA**

**Fromhart moved to approve the agenda as amended with the addition under item one to state “Motion to go into closed session to receive a written attorney-client privilege communication.” Faust seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

**IV. PRIORITY BUSINESS**

**1. Wastewater Treatment plant and relevant legal issues with special counsel, Paul Burns.**

**Fromhart moved to go into closed session to receive a written attorney-client privilege communication.” Faust seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart yes, Mull yes, Oliver yes, Riley yes. Motion passed.**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 1:15 p.m. The Board reconvened from closed session at 2:33 p.m.

**Fromhart moved to return to regular session of the special meeting. Oliver seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart yes, Mull yes, Oliver yes, Riley yes. Motion passed.**

**2. Status of the MCJPC**

Mull reported on the recent meeting of the MCJPC and provided the board with a memorandum from Township attorney Fred Lucas regarding the composition of a Joint Planning Commission (JPC). According to Lucas the Joint Planning Commission Act provides that the membership of a JPC is subject only to agreement by the member municipalities. Lucas stated that the regulations controlling the composition of a Township planning commission are not applicable to a JPC. Lucas indicated more than one township official may serve on a JPC and there is no limit on the number of township officials who may serve so long as the member municipalities agree. Lucas added that he found no statutory prohibition against three township supervisors serving on a JPC at the same time, and no reason why a township clerk cannot be an alternate member.

Mull also reported she is waiting to hear back from MTA’s legal counsel for their interpretation and opinion of the JPC Act regarding the composition of a JPC. Mull said she will have more information on this issue at the Board’s December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Fromhart moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:14 p.m. Riley seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

APPROVED