

**BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MINUTES OF MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Smith at 7:02 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag at Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Manchester, MI.

Present: Supervisor Ronald Smith, Clerk Laurie Fromhart, Treasurer Michelle McQueer and Trustee David Faust.

Attendance: 6

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

A resident asked the Board to consider a noise ordinance, that newsletters report on important things happening in the Township like the status of the sewer plant, vacancies in office, property being removed from the tax roll, and Board accomplishments.

A resident asked if the Board had any news about the new proposed natural gas pipeline that would run through Bridgewater Township.

A resident commented the pipeline company is asking for an easement through the back of her property but are not offering much in compensation.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Smith moved to approve the June 5, 2014 meeting minutes as amended. McQueer seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

McQueer moved to approve the agenda as amended. Faust seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

Public Safety Report

The Sheriff's Department submitted a written report to the Board on law enforcement activities in the Township for the month of May 2014.

V. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDANCE

A. Treasurer's Report

McQueer submitted a written report to the Board.

B. Clerk's Report

Fromhart reported on the County Clerk's meeting, election preparation for the August 5th primary, and the audit report.

C. Supervisor's Report

Smith submitted a written report to the Board.

D. Trustees' Report

Faust reported he is scheduled to meet with WCRC Foreman Dan Schultz next week to discuss road projects.

E. Written Reports

Board packets included reports from the Assessor, Zoning Administrator, and Planning Commission.

VI. PRIORITY BUSINESS

A. Nomination of Geoffrey Oliver as Trustee

Smith moved to nominate Geoffrey Oliver as trustee to fill the remainder of Wes Cowden's term ending November 16, 2014. Faust seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart yes, McQueer yes, Smith yes. Motion passed.

B. Swearing in of Geoffrey Oliver as Trustee

Fromhart administered the oath of office to Oliver.

C. Financials, Approve Disbursements

Oliver moved to pay the monthly disbursements from the general and sewer funds in the amount of \$38,005.83. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart yes, McQueer yes, Oliver yes, Smith yes. Motion passed.

D. Setting Deputy Treasurer and Deputy Clerk wage

Oliver moved to set the Deputy Treasurer and Deputy Clerk wages at \$11 per hour. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart yes, McQueer yes, Oliver yes, Smith yes. Motion passed.

E. Approval of Washtenaw County Consortium for Solid Waste Management Annual Dues

Fromhart moved to approve the Washtenaw County Consortium for Solid Waste Management Fiscal Year 2014 Membership Dues. McQueer seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart yes, McQueer yes, Oliver yes, Smith yes. Motion passed.

F. Selection of Board Representatives to Planning Commission and Construction Authority

McQueer moved to appoint Ronald Smith as Board Representative to the Planning Commission and Geoffrey Oliver as Representative to the Western Washtenaw County Construction Authority. Faust seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

G. Selection of alternate to Zoning Board of Appeals

McQueer moved to appoint Geoffrey Oliver as alternate member to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Fromhart seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

H. Discussion and Approval of \$1,200 repair to WWTP skimmers

Smith reported they tried to fix the plant's skimmers but were unsuccessful and is asking for Board approval to hire professionals to perform the work with the agreement to split the costs with Tetra Tech. McQueer moved to approve the expenditure of \$1200 for repair to the WWTP eastside skimmer. Faust seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart yes, McQueer yes, Oliver yes, Smith yes. Motion passed.

I. Approval of Riverbend Preserve Amendment to Consent Agreement

Smith moved to approve the first amendment to the Riverbend Preserve Consent Judgment. McQueer seconded the motion. Fromhart indicated the Board should require the County to fulfill all of their current obligations with the Riverbend Preserve, address outstanding issues with the Ervin Stucki Preserve, negotiate with the County to bring the Ervin Stucki Preserve under the same rules and regulations, and to add a liability

clause like in all other consent judgments, before considering any amendment to the Riverbend Preserve consent judgment. **Roll Call Vote: Faust yes, Fromhart no, McQueer yes, Oliver yes, Smith yes. Motion passed.**

VII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There were no public comments.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Faust moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Fromhart
Bridgewater Township Clerk

APPROVED