

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021, 7:00 P.M.
BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP HALL
10990 CLINTON RD, MANCHESTER, MI 48158

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH QUORUM / PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE
- II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
- III. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MAY 6, 2021
- IV. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. WCRC Second Agreement
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Approval of Claims Listing for May 1, 2021 through May 31, 2021
 - B. Assessor's Contract
 - C. Broadband Task Force Resolution
 - D. Natural Areas Preservation Program – Nomination of Moyad Property
 - E. Solar Energy Ordinance Discussion
- VII. REPORTS & CORRESPONDANCE
 - A. Public Safety Report – Written report from Sheriff's Department
 - B. Supervisor's Report
 - C. Assessor's Report
 - D. Clerk's Report
 - E. Treasurer's Report
 - F. Trustees' Report
 - G. Zoning Administrator's Report – Written report from Rodney Nanney
 - H. Planning Commission Report – Minutes included in Board packet
 - I. Broadband Task Force Report – Minutes included in Board packet
 - J. Farmland Preservation Board Report – No meeting in May
- VIII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

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I. CALL TO ORDER

6-May-21 meeting called to order by Supervisor Fromhart at 7:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Manchester, MI.

Present: Trustee Faust; Trustee Fromhart; Trustee Ahrens Trustee McQueer; Trustee Oliver.

Absent: N/A

Citizen attendance: 2

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion to approve the 1-Apr-21 meeting minutes as amended – Mr. Oliver; support – Mr. Faust; vote – unanimous

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

- Motion to approve the agenda as presented – Ms. McQueer; support – Ms. Ahrens; vote – unanimous.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Gerken Materials Inc. 2020 Annual Report- Township engineer, Kristofer Enlow gave an overview of the Annual Report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Claims Listing

- Motion to approve disbursements of \$41,938.39 for general operations and \$7,659.94, for sewer operations; total expenditure of \$49,598.53 for the month of April – Ms. Fromhart; support – Mr. Oliver; vote – unanimous.

B. WCRC Draft Agreements

- Motion to approve the 2021 WCRC agreement for \$64,440.09 subject to replacement of AA limestone. – Mr. Oliver; support – Mr. Faust. vote – unanimous
- Work to include roadside berm removal, ditching, tree cutting, shaping the existing surface, the application of 8" (C.I.P.) of 23a limestone (approximately 3,200 tons) with associated dust control and project restoration. March revenue (last fiscal year) sharing will be down about \$14,192.
- Work to include placement of two (2) solid applications of contract brine on all certified local gravel/limestone roads within the township, including an additional third pass on Kies Road between Austin Road and Clinton Road and on Allen Road between Hogan Road and Clinton Road. Estimated 171,440 gallons @ \$0.189 per gallon.

VII. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Public Safety Report

- A written report from the sheriff is included in the board packet.

B. Supervisor's Report

- See board packet plus,

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- Spoke with Mark McCulloch from WCRC regarding Bartlett Rd resurfacing project that Gerken materials completed.
- PFAS testing for the slug removal for the Bridgewater Wastewater Treatment Plant.

C. Assessor's Report

- No report was received from the assessor.

D. Clerk's Report

- Clean up day is tentatively September 18, 2021.
- May 4 election went great.

E. Treasurer's Report

- Received settlement.

F. Trustees' Report

- Trustee Faust
 - Sewer repairs completed.
- Trustee Oliver
 - WWBA meeting, everything is good. Doug Par is now their soil erosion inspector.

G. Zoning Administrator's Report

- A written report from Mr. Nanney is included in the board packet.

H. Broadband Task Force Report

- There was no meeting in April;

I. Planning Commission

- See board packet.

J. Farmland Preservation Board Report

- No quorum for April meeting.

VIII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- Ms. Fromhart adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

1-Apr-21 meeting called to order by Supervisor Fromhart at 7:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Manchester, MI.

Present: Trustee Faust; Trustee Fromhart; Trustee Oliver; Trustee Ahrens Trustee McQueer

Absent: None

Citizen attendance: 2

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion to approve the 4-Mar-21 meeting minutes as amended – Ms. Fromhart; support – Mr. Faust vote-unanimous.

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

- Motion to approve the agenda as presented – Ms. Fromhart; support – Ms. McQueer. vote unanimous.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Motion to approve tabling discussion regarding Gerken Material Inc. 2020 annual report to May's board meeting. – Ms. Fromhart; support – Mr. Faust. vote unanimous.

VI. WESTERN WASTENAW RECYCLING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION

- Motion to approve resolution 2021-08 to approve the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority operating and maintenance recycling fees for new and existing dwelling units for the years 2021-2025. – Ms. Fromhart; support – Ms. Ahrens.
- Roll call vote:
- Trustee Faust – yes Trustee Fromhart – yes Trustee McQueer – yes
Trustee Oliver - yes Trustee Ahrens- yes

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Claims Listing

- Motion to approve disbursements of \$66,704.35 for general operations and \$21,886.17 for sewer operations; total expenditure of \$88,591.12 for the month of March – Mr. Oliver; support – Ms. Ahrens. - vote unanimous.

B. Village of Clinton Fire Contract 2021-2023

- Motion to accept the Village of Clinton Fire Contract 2021-2023– Ms. McQueer; support – Mr. Oliver. vote unanimous.

C. Jon Way 2021 Mowing Bid

- Motion to accept the Jon Way 2021 Mowing Bid – Ms. McQueer: support – Ms. Ahrens. vote unanimous.

D. 2021 Local Road Projects Discussion

- Will continue with two brine applications.

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- Requesting new bid for draining and stone application for a section of ~~Allen~~ Hogan rd.
- Will continue discussion next month.

VIII. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Public Safety Report

- A written report from the sheriff is included in the board packet

B. Supervisor's Report

- See board packet.
- Discussed the current land tribunal for the Hansen trust.
- Motion to NOT agree to delay Hansen Trust general call until September 2021. – Ms. Fromhart; support – Mr. Faust. vote unanimous.

C. Assessor's Report

- Report on file.
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D. Clerk's Report

- Receiving AV ballots for May 4, in person voting will be at Clinton High school
- Clean up day will be September 18, 2021.

E. Treasurer's Report

- No report.
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F. Trustees' Report

- Trustee Faust
 - None
- Trustee Oliver
 - None

G. Zoning Administrator's Report

- A written report from Mr. Nanney is included in the board packet.

H. Broadband Task Force Report

- No meeting in March.

I. Planning Commission

- No meeting in March.

J. Farmland Preservation Board Report

- No meeting in March

IX. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- None

X. ADJOURNMENT

- Ms. Fromhart adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

2021 BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP SECOND AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2021, by and between the Township Board of Bridgewater Township, Washtenaw County, parties of the first part and the Board of Washtenaw County Road Commissioners, parties of the second part.

WHEREAS, the parties of the first part desire that certain improvements be made upon the local roads in the Township of Bridgewater, and

WHEREAS, proper authority is provided to the parties of the agreement under the provisions in Act 51 of Public Acts of 1951 as amended,

IT IS NOW THEREFORE AGREED, the parties of the second part will accomplish the improvements as specified herein, all in accordance with the standards of the parties of the second part.

1. Hogan Road, Allen Road to old gravel pit entrance, 0.6 miles northerly:

Work to include roadside berm removal, ditching, tree cutting, shaping the existing surface, the application of 8" (C.I.P.) of 23a limestone (approximately 3,200 tons) with associated dust control and project restoration.

Estimated project cost: \$ 72,700.00

AGREEMENT SUMMARY

2021 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM

Hogan Road, Allen Road to old gravel pit entrance, 0.6 miles northerly \$ 72,700.00

Less WCRC 2021 Conventional Matching Funds \$ 20,610.99

Less WCRC 2020 Drainage Matching Funds (carryover) \$ 3,850.00

ESTIMATED AMOUNT TO BE PAID BY BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP
UNDER THIS AGREEMENT DURING 2021:

\$ 48,239.01

FOR BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP:

Laurie Fromhart, Supervisor

Witness

Michelle McQueer, Clerk

Witness

FOR WASHTENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION:

Barbara Ryan Fuller, Chair

Witness

Sheryl Soderholm Siddall, Managing Director

Witness

Re: 2021 Local Matching Program - Bridgewater Township

From: Laurie Fromhart (bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com)

To: harmonj@wcroads.org

Cc: siddalls@wcroads.org; freemanr@wcroads.org; harrisk@wcroads.org; bridgewaterwpclerk@yahoo.com; bridgewaterwptreasurer@yahoo.com; faustsandandgravel@gmail.com; gm.lawncare@yahoo.com; barb@provide.net

Date: Wednesday, May 26, 2021, 02:36 PM EDT

Jim,

Thank you for your reply. It's unfortunate the County is unwilling to attend our Township Board meeting. I think it's always productive when one is willing to come to the table.

It's been the practice of the Road Commission to hold annual meetings with the Township Board (prior to Covid-19) and is beneficial to continue to do so. This is a prime example of the benefit of having the Road Commission in attendance when the Township Board is discussing road projects. The topic of the 21aa limestone came up during our discussions at our May meeting and due to the Road Commission's deadline of May 21st we proceeded with the conditional approval.

We are not questioning the Road Commission's experience or expertise but we are very familiar with the condition of our roads with two trustees that have significant experience and knowledge in the field. It's the very lack of fines with 21aa we are seeking as we don't wish to invest funds again in Hogan Road only to have the same result of a slimy mess. The other roads you mention in the Township I believe are primary roads which receive additional material on a regular basis.

I will share your response with the Township Board and see if Trustee Faust or Trustee Oliver is available to attend a meeting with you, Sheryl, Ken, and Roark.

Respectfully,

Laurie Fromhart
Bridgewater Township Supervisor
10990 Clinton Rd
Manchester, MI 48158
Cell: 734.223.2766
Email: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com

On Tuesday, May 25, 2021, 02:58:37 PM EDT, Harmon, Jim <harmonj@wcroads.org> wrote:

Good afternoon Laurie,

Sheryl, Roark, Ken and I met today and we respectfully decline your invitation to attend the June 3rd BOT meeting to discuss the proposed Hogan Road improvements. We see no benefit in publicly rehashing the settled issue of material substitution.

The Road Commission supports improvement of Hogan Road between Allen Road and the old gravel pit entrance located approximately 0.6 miles northerly and as described in the attached agreement. As you know, this project came at the Township's request and identified as a priority following its consideration of several other local road improvement proposals from the Road Commission. Improvements to Hogan Road would include roadside berm removal, ditching, tree cutting, shaping the existing road surface and the application of 8" (compacted-in-place) of 23a limestone (3,200 tons), with associated dust control and project restoration at an estimated cost of \$72,700. Road Commission local matching funds would be applied to this project, as requested in your previous email, resulting in the Township's estimated share of the project equaling \$48,239.01.

At its last meeting, the BOT approved the Hogan Road improvements, but conditioned its approval on the Road Commission substituting the specified 23a limestone for 21aa limestone. The Road Commission was not consulted about a material substitution prior to the BOT conditioning its approval. The Road Commission would not have agreed to the material substitution had it been consulted. Nevertheless, the Road Commission did reject the material substitution upon receipt of notification from you of the BOT's conditional approval (reference email from Director of Operations Jim Harmon 5/12/2021 and second email from Managing Director Sheryl Siddall later that afternoon). Over decades of road maintenance experience the Road Commission concluded that 21aa limestone is unsuitable as a surface aggregate. The material is graded too coarsely and lacks sufficient fines as compared to 23a limestone. Recent improvements to unpaved primary roads in Bridgewater Township including McCollum Road, Braun Road, Burmeister Road and Kaiser Road serve as good examples of the suitability and effectiveness of 23a limestone. Improvements just completed by the Road Commission on Parker Road between Austin Road and Bethel Church Road also serves as just another example of the suitability and effectiveness of 23a limestone as a surface aggregate.

Sheryl, Ken, Roark and I are interested in meeting with you and a trustee to discuss strategies to improve the local road system in the township. Please contact Sheryl or me if you would like to schedule a meeting.

With best regards,
Jim

James D. Harmon, P.E.
Director of Operations

Washtenaw County Road Commission
555 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan

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From: Harmon, Jim
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 11:19 AM
To: Laurie Fromhart <bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com>
Cc: Freeman, Roark <freemanr@wcroads.org>; Siddall, Sheryl <siddalls@wcroads.org>
Subject: 2021 Local Matching Program - Bridgewater Township

Good morning Laurie,

Thank you for providing the signed dust control agreement. Staff will recommend approval to our Board for its June 1 regular meeting and a fully executed agreement will be returned to you for your records following approval.

With regard to Hogan Road, thank you for the invitation to attend your June 3rd BOT meeting. We will discuss staff availability and interest in participating early next week and I will get back with you. Please know that the Road Commission desires to enter into agreement with the Township to improve Hogan Road. However, further conversation of a material substitution would be unproductive. I have drafted the attached 2021 Bridgewater Township Second Agreement for Hogan Road as proposed and applying the applicable remaining matching funds as requested.

Respectfully yours,
Jim

James D. Harmon, P.E.
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From: Laurie Fromhart <bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2021 7:39 PM

To: Harmon, Jim <harmonj@wcroads.org>; Siddall, Sheryl <siddalls@wcroads.org>; Freeman, Roark <freemanr@wcroads.org>; Barb Fuller <barb@provide.net>

Cc: Michelle McQueer <bridgewaterwpclerk@yahoo.com>; Amy Ahrens <bridgewaterwptreasurer@yahoo.com>; Geoffrey Oliver <gm.lawncare@yahoo.com>; Dave Faust <faustsandandgravel@gmail.com>

Subject: Dust Control Agreement

[External Sender]

Jim,

Please find attached the executed dust control agreement for Bridgewater Township. At this time we are also requesting remaining matching funds be carried over and be designated for improvements to Hogan Road.

I would also like to extend an invitation to you, Roark, Sheryl, and Barb to our June 3rd Board meeting at 7 pm so we can have an in depth discussion regarding improvements to Hogan Road. I'm hopeful through a productive discussion we can gain a better understanding of each other's position and perhaps reach an agreement that satisfies all parties.

I look forward to your response.

Respectfully,

Laurie Fromhart
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2021_Bridgewater Township Second Agreement_5-21-2021.pdf
83.4kB

May 28, 2021
Accrual Basis

Bridgewater Township Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual April 2021 through March 2022

	Apr '21 - Mar 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Income			
Clean-up Day Grant	0	2,500	-2,500
Clean Up Donation	0	100	-100
4402 · Property tax - operation	0	82,000	-82,000
4405 · Property tax - fire millage	0	50,763	-50,763
4447 · Tax administration fee	0	33,500	-33,500
4448 · Tax collection fees	0	3,500	-3,500
4460 · Township permits	0	500	-500
4465 · Land division fees	0	600	-600
4574 · Revenue sharing	25,186	151,577	-126,391
4600 · Collection Fee-Sewer Fund	0	1,000	-1,000
4665 · Interest Income	4	300	-296
4672 · Other Income	0	200	-200
4675 · Metro Auth.-restricted to roads	0	3,800	-3,800
Total Income	25,190	330,340	-305,150
Gross Profit	25,190	330,340	-305,150
Expense			
5101000 · Township Board			
5101703 · Trustee salary	816	4,896	-4,080
5101727 · Township supplies & expenses	0	684	-684
5101770 · Conferences & Training	0	500	-500
Total 5101000 · Township Board	816	6,080	-5,264
5171000 · Supervisor			
5171703 · Supervisor Salary	2,653	15,920	-13,267
5171727 · Supervisor Expense	342	1,000	-658
5209000 · Assessor			
5209705 · Board of Review expenses	0	1,700	-1,700
5209805 · Assessor Wages	3,550	22,800	-19,250
5209810 · Assessor Expense	0	2,800	-2,800
5209000 · Assessor - Other	500		
Total 5209000 · Assessor	4,050	27,300	-23,250
Total 5171000 · Supervisor	7,046	44,220	-37,174
5173000 · Other General Government			
5173715 · Social Security	812	5,000	-4,188
5173801 · Attorney & Consulting Expenses	240	2,000	-1,760
5173802 · Audit fees	0	5,000	-5,000
5173811 · Membership fees & dues	1,853	2,100	-247
5173895 · Website Administrator	500	500	0
5173912 · Insurance & Bonds	-618	6,500	-7,118
Total 5173000 · Other General Government	2,787	21,100	-18,313

May 28, 2021
Accrual Basis

Bridgewater Township Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual April 2021 through March 2022

	Apr '21 - Mar 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget
5215700 · Clerk			
5173900 · Printing & publishing	0	400	-400
5174810 · Deputy Clerk	420	1,600	-1,180
5191727 · Election expense	0	2,000	-2,000
5215703 · Clerk salary	2,757	16,539	-13,783
5215727 · Clerk supplies & expense	368	3,200	-2,832
Total 5215700 · Clerk	3,545	23,739	-20,194
5253700 · Treasurer			
5253701 · Tax Collection Expense	0	2,500	-2,500
5253703 · Treasurer salary	2,994	17,967	-14,973
5253704 · Deputy Treasurer Wages	0	1,600	-1,600
5253727 · Treasurer supplies & expenses	0	2,000	-2,000
Total 5253700 · Treasurer	2,994	24,067	-21,073
5265000 · Building & Grounds			
5265728 · Maintenance & Utilities	973	7,000	-6,027
5265925 · Cemetery care	595	2,500	-1,905
5265980 · Building improvement & equipmen	0	1,000	-1,000
Total 5265000 · Building & Grounds	1,568	10,500	-8,932
5301800 · Public Safety			
5339727 · Fire protection billing expense	30,496	75,000	-44,504
Total 5301800 · Public Safety	30,496	75,000	-44,504
5400700 · Planning & zoning			
5400701 · Planning			
5400727 · Planning comm. wage & expense	675	5,700	-5,025
5400801 · PC Attorney Fees	75	0	75
5400803 · Planning consultant - on-going	1,296	7,000	-5,704
5411810 · Conferences & Training	0	1,000	-1,000
Total 5400701 · Planning	2,046	13,700	-11,654
5410726 · Zoning			
5410704 · Land Division Processing Fees	200	1,700	-1,500
5410727 · Zoning ad.wage & expense	1,304	7,500	-6,196
5411727 · Zon Bd of Appeals Expense	0	400	-400
Total 5410726 · Zoning	1,504	9,600	-8,096
Total 5400700 · Planning & zoning	3,550	23,300	-19,750

May 28, 2021
Accrual Basis

Bridgewater Township Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual April 2021 through March 2022

	Apr '21 - Mar 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget
5440000 · Public works			
5440846 · Road Improvements	0	40,000	-40,000
5440847 · Drains at large	54,834	54,834	-0
5440849 · Clean-up Day	0	2,500	-2,500
5440852 · Street lighting	731	4,500	-3,769
Total 5440000 · Public works	55,565	101,834	-46,269
5500000 · Contingencies	0	500	-500
Total Expense	108,366	330,340	-221,974
Net Income	-83,176	0	-83,176

Bridgewater Township General Fund
Balance Sheet
As of May 31, 2021

May 28, 2021
Accrual Basis

	May 31, 21
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1002 · General Checking-Key Bank	98,961.17
1010 · General Savings-Key Bank	94,340.72
1016 · Bank of Ann Arbor 5yr	103,665.96
1017 · Old National 5 yr	113,811.78
Total Checking/Savings	410,779.63
Accounts Receivable	
1200 · Accounts Receivable	762.00
Total Accounts Receivable	762.00
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid Insurance	6,912.00
1034 · Tax Receivable-PPT	-32.61
1050 · Current Year Tx Roll Receivable	
1090 · Due from County - Settlement	-2,971.78
1050 · Current Year Tx Roll Receivable - Other	-1,162.15
Total 1050 · Current Year Tx Roll Receivable	-4,133.93
1081 · Due from Sewer Operations	-1,771.47
1085 · Due From Tax Fund	-2,210.00
1087 · Due from Dr. Samuels	-100.67
1201 · Accounts Receivable 2	1,590.00
Total Other Current Assets	253.32
Total Current Assets	411,794.95
Fixed Assets	
1600 · Buildings	98,329.35
1610 · Equipment	28,244.21
1620 · Land	70,863.09
1630 · Siding & Windows	17,049.00
1640 · Township Hall Improvements	54,079.30
1650 · Accumulated Depreciation	-95,648.85
Total Fixed Assets	172,916.10
TOTAL ASSETS	584,711.05
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 · Accounts Payable	-793.96
Total Accounts Payable	-793.96
Credit Cards	
2050 · Comerica - Clerk/Treasurer	-1,018.91
Total Credit Cards	-1,018.91
Other Current Liabilities	
2100 · Payroll Liabilities	-377.79

Bridgewater Township General Fund

Balance Sheet

As of May 31, 2021

May 28, 2021

Accrual Basis

	<u>May 31, 21</u>
2217 · Escrow Deposits Payable	
2220 · Due to SMR-Elliott parcel	2,500.00
2233 · Due to SMR-Crego/Peltcs	2,157.50
2252 · Due Metro General Contractors	1,000.00
2253-01 · Due to Bridgewater Commons	485.00
2253-02 · Bridgewater Commons - Landscapi	2,000.00
2255 · Barbu Escrow	-688.52
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Total 2217 · Escrow Deposits Payable	7,453.98
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Total Other Current Liabilities	7,076.19
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Total Current Liabilities	5,263.32
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Total Liabilities	5,263.32
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Equity	
3900 · Fund Balance	489,707.15
3940 · Invested in Capital Assets, Net	172,916.84
Net Income	-83,176.26
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Total Equity	579,447.73
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	584,711.05
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Bridgewater Township Sewer Operation Monthly Expenses

Type	Date	Num	Split	May 2021 Amount	
May 21					
Bill	05/31/2021	EFT	DTE Energy	Electricity	1,764.17
Bill	05/31/2021	1513	Faust Sand & Gravel, Inc.	-SPLIT-	3,177.30
Bill	05/31/2021	EFT	Frontier	Phone Service	69.78
Bill	05/31/2021	1514	Jon Way	Building & Grounds Maintenance	300.00
Bill	05/31/2021	1515	Village of Manchester	Plant Operator	2,911.28
May 21					<u>8,222.53</u>

CLERK

TREASURER

May 28, 21
Accrual Basis

Bridgewater Township Sewer Operation
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
April 1 through May 28, 2021

	<u>Apr 1 - May 28, 21</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Interest Income Master Account		
Interest Income Checking	4.24	0.00
Total Interest Income Master Account	4.24	0.00
Operation Maintenance Income	16,380.00	0.00
Total Income	16,384.24	0.00
Gross Profit	16,384.24	0.00
Expense		
Collection System		
Collection System Equip Repairs	2,188.14	0.00
Grinder Pump repairs	657.00	0.00
Miss Dig Locator Service	69.57	0.00
Total Collection System	2,914.71	0.00
Treatment Plant		
Electricity	1,764.17	0.00
Phone Service	69.78	0.00
Plant Operator	2,911.28	0.00
Total Treatment Plant	4,745.23	0.00
Total Expense	7,659.94	0.00
Net Ordinary Income	8,724.30	0.00
Net Income	<u>8,724.30</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Bridgewater Township Sewer Operation

Balance Sheet

As of May 31, 2021

May 28, 2021
Accrual Basis

	May 31, 21
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Key-Sewer O/M	
Capital Improvements Reserve	30,000.00
Key-Sewer O/M - Other	30,338.70
Total Key-Sewer O/M	60,338.70
Key Sewer O/M Saving	103,147.17
Key Sewer Retirement Checking	77,244.60
Total Checking/Savings	240,730.47
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts receivable	15,650.00
Total Accounts Receivable	15,650.00
Other Current Assets	
Due From Tax	5,705.38
Taxes Receivable Special Asst	6,164.90
Undeposited Funds	100.00
Total Other Current Assets	11,970.28
Total Current Assets	268,350.75
Fixed Assets	
Accessory Building	53,320.02
Accumulated Depr - Access Bldg	-9,360.65
Equipment	101,752.20
Accumulated Depr - Equipment	-30,125.44
Sewer System Plant	1,966,444.05
Accumulated Depr - Sewer System	-680,061.78
Land	55,355.06
Total Fixed Assets	1,457,323.46
Other Assets	
Special Assessment Receivable	11,794.96
Total Other Assets	11,794.96
TOTAL ASSETS	1,737,469.17
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2004 Bond Pmt Due in One Yr	-74,024.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	-74,024.00
Total Current Liabilities	-74,024.00
Total Liabilities	-74,024.00
Equity	
Invested in capital assets, net	1,317,951.48
Restricted for Debt Service	240,753.85
Unrestricted Funds (QB RE acct)	252,286.07
Net Income	501.77
Total Equity	1,811,493.17
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,737,469.17

CLAYTON & MARY RIDER, ASSESSING SERVICES

MARY A. SELOVER-RIDER, MAAO PPE

CLAYTON G. RIDER, JR. MAAO PPE

Bridgewater Township Contract

June 1, 2021

This contract is made starting June 1, 2021 between the Township of Bridgewater, Washtenaw Count, Michigan hereafter referred to as “the Township” and Mary Selover-Rider, hereafter referred to as “the Contractor” or “the Assessor”.

1. The contract will be for a period of over three years duration, beginning June 1, 2021 and ending May 31, 2023.
2. The contract is for a period exceeding one year and under the terms herein may be reopened for negotiation by either party at the end of a 12-month period if there is a change in workload, laws or regulations affecting assessing requirements and duties.
3. Either Mary Rider or Clayton Rider will fill required office hours.
4. Mary Rider will certify and sign the assessment roll. In an emergency situation the Township Board may authorize Clayton Rider to sign the roll.
- 5. Contractor duties:**
 - a. Shall maintain township office working hours on a weekly basis for 48 weeks of the year. A one-half day shall be 3 hours. Office hours selected by the contractor must be mutually agreed upon between the contractor and the Township and consistent from week to week for the convenience of the public. Field work shall be done on a timely, regular basis at the sole discretion of the contractor. No office hours shall be held during the days of Board of Review.
 - b. Shall maintain Bridgewater Township’s assessment roll including Ad Valorem roll and the Industrial Facility Tax rolls.
 - c. Shall assess all new construction and parcel land divisions.
 - d. Shall, through sale studies, monitor, maintain, and adjust when necessary ECF’s, Land Values, and Neighborhood Values.
 - e. Shall complete all State and County forms and reports as necessary.

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5. Contractor duties:

- 2) Shall maintain township office working hours on a weekly basis for 46 weeks of the year. A one-half day shall be 3 hours. Office hours selected by the contractor must be mutually agreed upon between the contractor and the Township and consistent from week to week for the convenience of the public. Field work shall be done on timely, regular basis at the sole discretion of the contractor. No office hours shall be held during the days of Board of Review.
- 3) Shall be available for consultation with the Board of Review and individual property owners.
- 4) Shall monitor and evaluate Personal Property Statements and perform Audits as necessary.
- 5) The contractor only shall make all township name, address and principal residence exemption changes on a regular basis.
- 6) Shall handle all small Tax Tribunal and State Tax Commission hearing cases and represent the best interests of the Township. For full tribunal will meet with the Township Board and discuss how they want to handle full tribunal, if they want to hire an attorney and an appraiser the cost for these services will be paid by the Township.

6. Township Responsibilities:

- a) Shall provide current property description cards, tax map books, and all other information relating to the assessing duties.
- b) Shall provide office space and furniture, computer and printers, copy machine, cameras and office supplies during the duration of the contract.
- c) Shall provide all maps as needed.
- d) Shall supply necessary software programs and the maintenance required on all software programs.
- e) Shall supply the assessor with copies of all Land Division Approval Permits, Building Permits, zoning changes, and new city water and sewer system and fire calls. These items must have the tax codes and property owners name and address entered on the paperwork.

7. Compensation:

- a) Compensation for item one is \$16,449, for item two is \$2,742, for item 3 is \$658, item 4 is \$548, item 5 is \$658 and item 6 is \$1,645. This is to be paid through the course of the Contractual Year.
- b) Shall pay for all mileage directly related to the Township at the published IRS rate.
- c) Reimbursement of all long-distance phone calls made away from the township office in following up with required township duties shall be paid monthly when presented with records accordingly.

Bridgewater Township Contract

- d) Contractor and Supervisor will come to an agreement for necessary time away from the office including continuing education, Tax Tribunal and State Tax Commission Meetings. No additional compensation for attending Tax Tribunal and State Tax Commission. The cost for continuing education will be paid for by the contractor unless the Township specifically wants the contractor to attending a particular program.
- e) Time off shall be granted if scheduled office day falls on the following recognized holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and the following Friday, Christmas Eve day and Christmas.
- f) There will be no required office hours between Christmas and New Year's Day so time can be spent in the field.
- g) All studies, reports, background material and other products of the Assessor for the Township shall become the property of the Township and be turned over to the Township at the end of the contract.
- h) The Contractor shall backup each day's work on the computer and a backup disc.
- i) The contract may be cancelled by either party with a sixty-day written notice.

Bridgewater Township Supervisor

Date

Bridgewater Township Clerk

Date

Mary A. Selover-Rider

Date

Re: Sharon Township requests your help!

From: Chelsea Mikel (mikel.chelsea@gmail.com)

To: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com; bridgewaterwpassessor@yahoo.com

Date: Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 02:14 PM EDT

Thank you for the information about your assessor pay!! I may have not communicated our request well enough or am a little confused.

Would there be any chance you guys would be willing to help with the questions I asked in the email!? 🙏

We are asking 4 townships close in size to us for:

- A copy of your current year budget
- A copy of any payroll or wage resolution you may have
- And any other info on how you may go about wage decisions/pay increases/etc.

Any information or help on this would be greatly appreciated!!!

Thank you!

On Tue, May 4, 2021 at 9:11 PM Mary Rider <bridgewaterwpassessor@yahoo.com> wrote:

This is a survey done in 2018 for Assessor by the City of Milan:

Unit	# of Parcels	Days per Week	Yearly Salary
City of Milan	3,300	2-1/2	\$36,000/yr
City of Saline (Assessor)	4,050	Full Time	\$58,224 - \$75,691
City of Saline (Asst Assessor)	4,050	Full Time	\$44,785 - \$58,224
Milan Township	1,100	1/2	\$21,000
York Township	3,215	1/2	\$55,000
Sharon Township	1,200	1/2	\$12,000
Sylvan Township	1,900	2-1/2	\$33,600
Exeter Township	2,127	1	\$24,205
Bridgewater Township	1,160	1/2	\$20,700
Summerfield Township	1,800	1/2	\$27,600
Freedom Township	1,218		\$18,000
Manchester Township	3,103	1/2	\$56,000
Conway Township	1,858	1	\$27,600
Handy Township (Village/DDA/LDFA/Special Assmt Dist)	5,000	3	\$66,300
Putnam Township	6,000	2	\$53,400

**BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT
AFFORDABLE COUNTYWIDE BROADBAND ACCESS
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2021-09**

At a regular meeting of the Bridgewater Township Board, Washtenaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Manchester, MI 48158, on the 3rd day of June, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Ahrens, Faust, Fromhart, McQueer, Oliver

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Trustee _____ and seconded by Trustee _____.

WHEREAS, access to high-speed broadband service is critical to the township's mission of supporting the health, safety, well being, quality of life and productivity for all residents, educational pursuits, not-for-profits, medical services, and businesses throughout the township.

WHEREAS, access to high-speed broadband for many residents and businesses in the township is unavailable or prohibitively expensive; and

WHEREAS, since March of 2020, the Coronavirus pandemic has proven the absolute necessity of digital connectivity; and

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Broadband Task Force has taken measures to achieve countywide high-speed broadband coverage; through grant opportunities nearly 66% of the rural county will be digitally connected to high-speed internet through the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) program; and

WHEREAS, approximately 3,700 homes, countywide, will remain unserved after RDOF, a challenge the Broadband Task Force is addressing through the exploration of additional grant and public/private partnership opportunities; and

WHEREAS, President Biden's American Rescue Plan stimulus funding specifically identifies the construction of high-speed broadband infrastructure as an encouraged use of the funds; and

WHEREAS, allocation of ARP funding to incentivize a public/private partnership could close the digital divide that exists in Washtenaw County and bring high-speed internet access to 100% of county residents, regardless of their address, making Washtenaw the first county in the State of Michigan to do so

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees, encourages the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners to allocate ARP funding to a high-speed broadband public/private partnership that serves to connect every home and business in Washtenaw County, thus achieving true high-speed broadband equity and is conducive to the development and implementation of a robust, affordable and sustainable high speed broadband service for Bridgewater Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees continues to support the efforts of the Washtenaw County Broadband Task Force in its mission to bring affordable high-speed broadband to Bridgewater Township.

A vote on the above Resolution was taken and was as follows:

ADOPTED:

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Township Clerk of the Township of Bridgewater, Washtenaw County, Michigan, CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a regular meeting held on the 3rd day of June, 2021.

[Clerk Name], Township Clerk



Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission

April 1, 2021

Laurie Fromhart
Supervisor, Bridgewater Township
10990 Clinton Road
Manchester, MI 48158

Dear Ms. Fromhart

Per the terms of the Consent Judgement of 2013, I am reaching out to you to inform you that a nomination from Moyad property, including tax parcel numbers Q-17-03-300-005; Q-17-03-400-001; Q-17-03-100-004; Q-17-03-200-011, was received by our Natural Area Preservation Program (NAPP) in 2019. The property was review by the Natural Area Technical Advisory Committee (NATAC) at the time and the property was designated as a high priority for acquisition, excluding the parcels with the houses and buildings. However, the landowner is only interested in selling the property in its entirety. Based on the limited uses allowed under the Natural Area Preservation Program (NAPP) funding, if the entire parcel is purchased with NAPP funding, the houses and buildings would need to be demolished.

As follow up, staff has reached out to the County historical district for an evaluation of the historical importance of the building. It was determined that while there is some architectural and local historic significance to the buildings and land, there are better examples of its architecture and early German settler history elsewhere in Bridgewater Township.

All of this said, NATAC and staff have expressed significant concerns over demolishing the buildings given their current condition and historical nature. Based on these discussions and the court judgement I am reaching out to you for the Township consideration and feedback if Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation were to pursue the purchase of the property through NAPP.

Sincerely,

Coy P. Vaughn
Director

Re: Moyad Property - Bridgewater Township

From: Laurie Fromhart (bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com)

To: leikamg@washtenaw.org

Cc: bridgewaterwpclerk@yahoo.com; bridgewaterwptreasurer@yahoo.com; faustsandandgravel@gmail.com; gm.lawncare@yahoo.com

Bcc: lucas@lucaslawpc.com

Date: Thursday, May 13, 2021, 08:27 PM EDT

Ginny,

Unfortunately I never received Coy's letter in the mail. I would agree the mail is not very reliable these days. If I had received it I would've responded right away and included it on the Board's May 6th agenda. I'm a little surprised the County waited almost 45 days before following up on their letter.

I was previously contacted by Margaret (Rosie) Pahl Donaldson via phone on March 1st regarding the subject property and expressed my concerns and opposition then to any possible purchase or demolition of the Moyad estate. The Board did discuss the County's interest in the property at our March 4th meeting and were generally opposed to the purchase and demolition of the estate for a variety of reasons.

I would be happy to set up a time to meet with you to discuss the Township's concerns in more detail. I would also like to extend an invitation to the NATAC committee and County staff to attend our next Township Board meeting on June 3rd at 7:00 pm so they can hear the collective voice of the Board on this matter.

Respectfully,

Laurie Fromhart
Bridgewater Township Supervisor
10990 Clinton Rd
Manchester, MI 48158
Cell: 734.223.2766
Email: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com

On Thursday, May 13, 2021, 12:57:34 PM EDT, Ginny L. Leikam <leikamg@washtenaw.org> wrote:

Good afternoon Laurie,

Several weeks ago, Coy Vaughn signed and sent the attached letter to you regarding a property under consideration for purchase in Bridgewater Township. With so many still working from home and mail being a little unreliable at times, I wanted to follow up with you and send this via email as well. I am happy to set up a time to talk to you about this property and provide more details. Our committee (NATAC) and staff look forward to getting feedback from the Township.

If you'd like to discuss, the best way to reach me is cell phone, 734-646-3336.

Best,
Ginny

Due to COVID-19 health & safety measures, access to the Parks Administration Office is limited to appointments only. For the latest updates on COVID-19 in Washtenaw County, visit [washtenaw.org/covid19](https://www.washtenaw.org/covid19).

Ginny Leikam

Superintendent of Park Planning and NAPP | **Washtenaw County Parks & Recreation Commission**

t. (734)971-6337 x 320

c. (734) 646-3336

e. trocchiog@washtenaw.org | w. [washtenaw.org/parks](https://www.washtenaw.org/parks)

Parks Administration | 2230 Platt Rd., P.O. Box 8645, Ann Arbor, MI 48104



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Historical Home Research

11040 E. Austin Road, Bridgewater Township, Manchester, MI

Prepared by:

Manchester Area Historical Society

February 12, 2021

1. This report details historical research conducted on parcels of property located at 11040 E. Austin Road in Bridgewater Township, identified by the following parcel numbers on the Washtenaw County Parcel website and the Map Washtenaw website. These properties are owned by **M. F. Realty LLC, Dr. Robert F. Moyad**, Manager, of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

<u>Parcel Number</u>	<u>Taxpayer Name</u>	<u>Property Street Address</u>	<u>Property City</u>	<u>Property Zip</u>
Q -17-03-200-011	MF REALTY LLC	11040 E AUSTIN RD 11080	MANCHESTER	48158
Q -17-03-300-005	MF REALTY LLC	11040 E AUSTIN RD 11080	MANCHESTER	48158
Q -17-03-400-001	MF REALTY LLC	11040 E AUSTIN RD 11080	MANCHESTER	48158
Q -17-03-400-003	MF REALTY LLC	11040 E AUSTIN RD 11080	MANCHESTER	48158

These properties are generally located north of East Austin Road, and include both a homestead parcel (300-005) and three land parcels (200-011, 400-003, and 400-001), between Ernst Rd. and Schneider Rd., which includes significant frontage on Columbia Lake and portions of the former Lake Shore and Southern Michigan Railroad railbed.

This report focuses primarily on Parcels 300-005 and 200-011, which contain the homestead, surrounding outbuildings, and acreage on Columbia Lake. These parcels are in both the E ½ of the SW corner, the E ½ of the NW corner, and the W ½ of the SE quarter, of Section 3, Bridgewater Township.

The subject area and homestead is outlined in Figure 1 below.

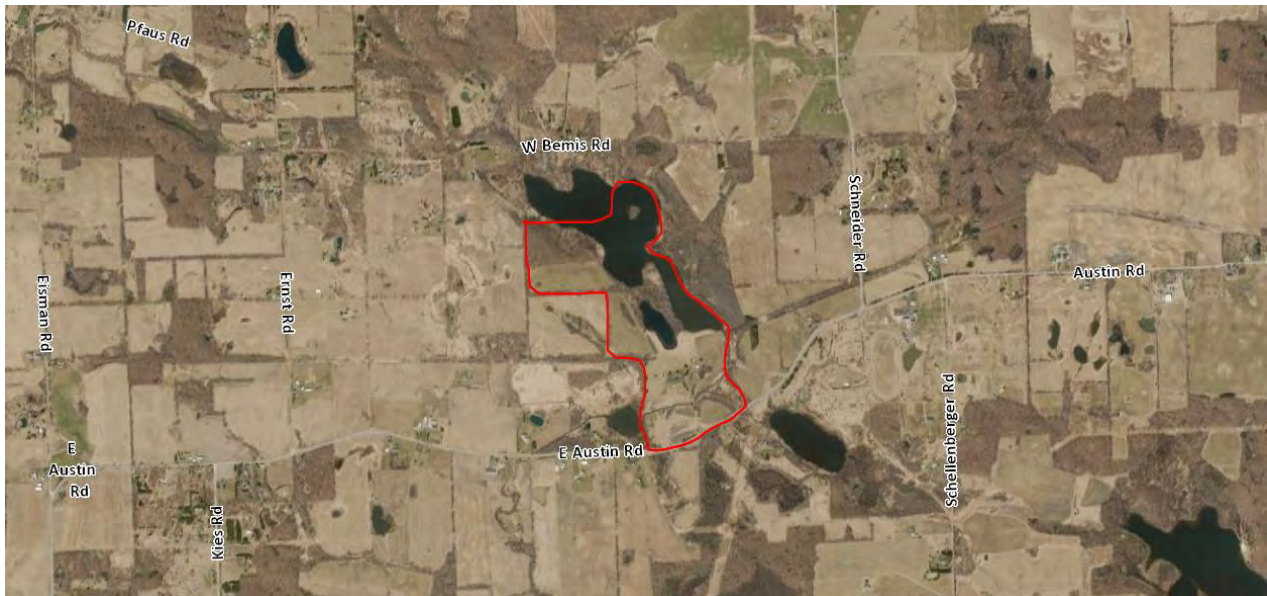


Figure 1 – Reference Property, 11040 E. Austin Road, Manchester, Michigan

2. The homestead property at 11040 E. Austin Road is shown in the Figure 2 photo below.



Figure 2 – Current Home at 11040 E. Austin Rd.

The primary home has been used on an occasional basis by Dr. Moyad and family members as a second or vacation home. The home also contains an apartment, occasionally leased to other parties over the years. There is also a caretaker's home on the property, currently leased. The primary home consists of two former individual homes which were combined by Rudolf R. Paul in the 1930-1940s period (more discussion on this below).

3. The land constituting the homestead parcel was purchased from the US Government Land Office, Bureau of Land Management, by **James W. Hill** (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 3) on September 2, 1835, and by **Abram Runion** and **Gansen Underhill** (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 3) on October 1, 1835. There is no evidence that any of these men developed the referenced property, but rather bought it as an investment at the low government rate of \$ 1.25 per acre, with the intent of reselling it during the land boom of the period. **James W. Hill** was the first settler in Freedom Township (circa 1831), locating his homestead on what is now Pfaus Road in Freedom Township, and is considered the founder of Freedom Township.

4. We have not researched the various land transactions involving these men which occurred on a speculative basis from 1835 onward without any physical settlement of the referenced land, until the purchase of the parcels along the west side of Columbia Lake and that land fronting south towards the current Austin Road by **Andreas (Andrew) Schillinger** on January 18, 1847. Per Liber X, Page 520, of the Washtenaw County deeds, **Solomon Gilbert** of Providence, Rhode Island, conveyed to **Andrew Schillinger** of Freedom Township for \$350 approximately 88 acres on the west and south sides of Columbia Lake. Schillinger thus became the first permanent occupant of the subject of this report.

Andrew Schillinger (1796-1881), born in Baden, Germany, his second wife **Fenne Marie Dresselhaus** (1808-1881) and family originally came to Freedom Township in 1835, and initially settled there. There is significant genealogical information on Andrew Schillinger and his family on Ancestry.com, and they are buried in Bethel Church Cemetery where additional information can be found. These Ancestry web site references also show the land ownership by Andrew Schillinger in 1850 (Figure 3 below). Schillinger was a farmer, and there are reports available on the types and amounts of different crops produced in certain years via agricultural census reports.

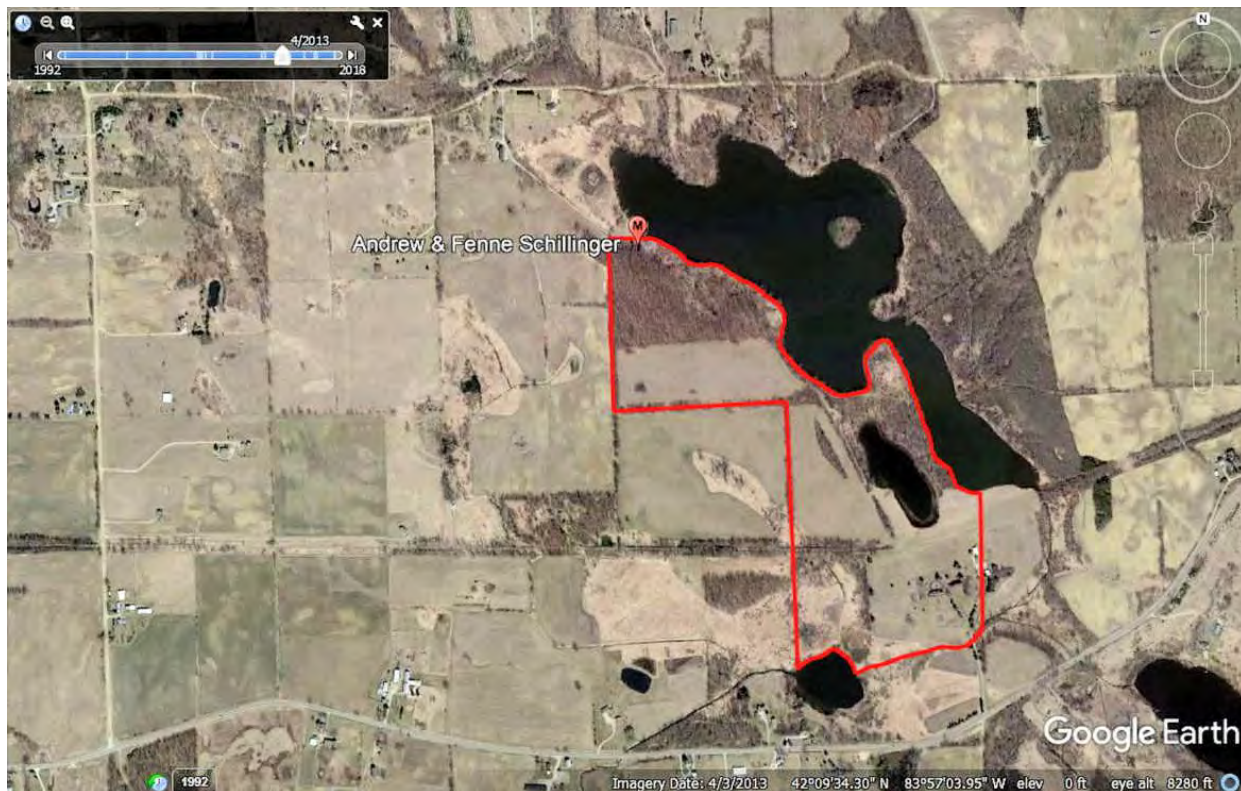


Figure 3 – Andrew Schillinger Land Holdings - 1850



Figure 4 – Obituary of Andrew Schillinger, September 1881

5. The 1856 Plat Map of Bridgewater Township (Figure 5) shows Andrew Schillinger's property with two houses constructed on it. The southern of the two house plots coincides with the current location of the home in 2021. This confirms that the original "core" of the current home at 11040 E. Austin was constructed approximately 1848-1850, as the Schillinger family shows up in the 1850 Bridgewater Township Federal census at this location.

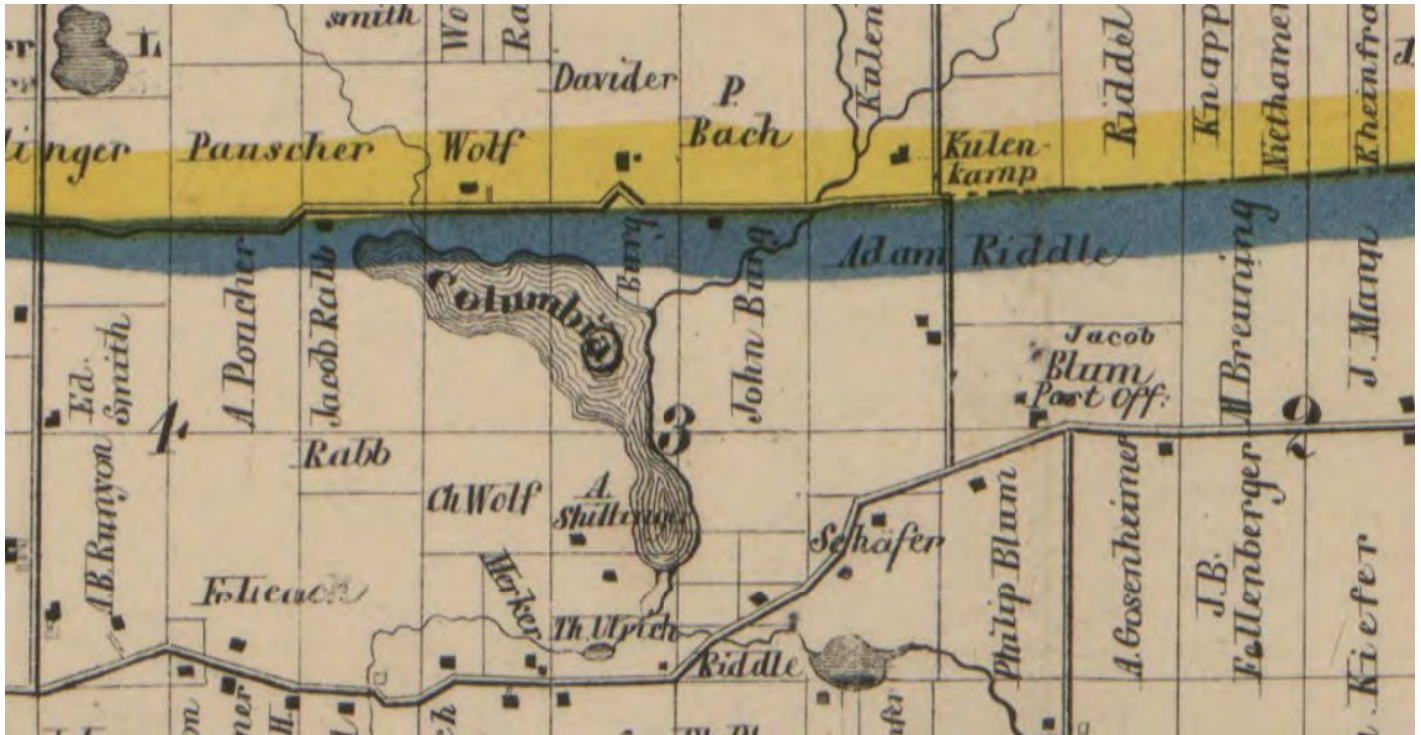


Figure 5 – 1856 Bridgewater Township Plat Map, Schillinger residence



Figure 6 – 1864 Bridgewater Township Plat Map, with Andrew Schillinger land and two houses

The 1864 Bridgewater Township Plat Map also confirms the two houses on the site (Figure 6 on Page 4).

5. **Andrew Schillinger** and wife **Mary Schillinger** sold their homestead property to their son-in-law, **Gerhard Heinrich Schlicht** (1839-1888), who was married to Andrew and Mary's daughter **Charlotte Schillinger** (1840-1904). Per Liber 61, Page 690, dated October 5, 1867, for \$2,800, approximately 106 acres, excepting and reserving for the use of Andrew and Mary "the log house nearest to the barn and one quarter of an acre of land lying west of said house, also necessary wood for fuel and the keeping of one cow during their lifetime, also the one third part of the wheat now growing on the above described land."

The **Henry Schlicht** family thus became the second owner of this homestead, while his wife's parents lived with them from 1867-1881. The farm became known for many decades as the Schlicht Farm.

Henry Schlicht died suddenly on May 31, 1888 in an accident (see Figure 9 on Page 8). His in-laws (**Andrew Schillinger** and **Mary Schillinger**) both subsequently died later in 1881. Upon the death of these three family members in 1881, Charlotte remained with her children on the site. The 1900 census shows Charlotte living there with her two children, with a servant and a farm worker boarding with her. Charlotte died in 1904, and apparently various family members and other relations remained on the property and occupied the homes without any land transfers occurring for nearly 50 years. There was no sale of the property until the August 27, 1926 sale of the property as part of a complicated package of family property sales to **Richard R. Paul**, who consolidated the Schlicht farm and adjacent properties into the parcels that exist today owned by M. F. Realty LLC (Dr. Robert Moyad). See Paragraph 8 below.

Additional parcels adjacent to the large parcels discussed herein were also added by Richard R. Paul in 1927-1930 to form the shape and acreage of today's parcel. Research did not identify original owners/purchasers of these adjacent properties.

6. The 1874 Bridgewater Plat Map (Figure 7) again shows the **Henry Schlicht** farm on the west and south sides of Columbia Lake, with the same two homes plotted to scale on the property. The LS&MS railroad has now been constructed, cutting through the property.



Figure 7 – 1874 Bridgewater Township Plat Map, Henry Schlicht farm west and south of Columbia Lake, now with the Lake Shore and Southern Michigan Railroad having bisected the property.

7. Although **Henry Schlicht** passed away in 1881, family members and other related persons apparently continued to occupy the homes and work the lands for the next 45 years. The 1895 Bridgewater Township Plat Map (Figure 8 on Page 6) shows the Schlicht farm, but also shows **John Burg** "owning" the portion of the farm south of the railroad. However,

we cannot locate any deed transfer to John Burg for this property. We believe Lucetta and Katie Burg inherited legal rights to the property through marriages within the extended family (Paragraph 8 on Page 6).

The 1915 Bridgewater Township Plat Map also shows different names for parcel owners of the “Schlicht Farm”, but again no deed transfers have been located in the Washtenaw County records for these “owners”.



Figure 8 – 1895 Bridgewater Township Plat Map

8. Rudolf Richard Paul (1877-1958?) of Detroit, Michigan enters the situation in 1926, when he initiates purchases of the individual properties and consolidates them into the parcels currently registered with Washtenaw County as the MF Realty property. Rudolf Paul was born and raised on a farm just north of the area under study, on land owned by his father **Johann George Paul**, located on the south side of Bemis Road just west of Columbia Lake. Rudolph apparently did not want to spend his life farming, and as a young adult first moved to Chicago for a book-keeping position. This apparently didn't work out, because he then moved to Detroit, where he first became a bricklayer, then moved into real estate. By the time he purchased the Schlicht Farm and adjacent properties in the late 1920s, he was listed as a “house builder”. He also had changed his name by this time to “**Richard R. Paul**”. He was also known around Manchester as “**Rudy Paul**”.

We have located six deeds, which **Richard R. Paul** consolidated into the property currently owned by **M. F. Realty**.

1. Liber 264, Page 499, indenture recorded **August 27, 1926** (dated 8/25/26), for \$1.00 and other valuable considerations, from **John and Helen Punkewicz** of East Moline, Illinois, 119 acres identified as the “Schlicht Farm”, subject to a \$5,000 mortgage from Richard Paul to John Punkewicz.
2. Liber 270, Page 602, indenture recorded **June 28, 1927** (dated 6/28/27), for \$1.00 and other valuable considerations, from **Peter J. Armbruster** and **Minnie Armbruster**, 8 acres.
3. Liber 271, Page 308, indenture recorded **September 1, 1927** (dated 8/27/27), for \$1.00 and other valuable considerations, from **Peter Jacob Armbruster** and **Minnie Armbruster** of Manchester, Michigan, 13 acres more or less.
4. Liber 294, Page 15, indenture recorded **October 1, 1931** (dated 2/27/29), for \$3,600, property from **Phoebe Seckinger** (widow of **John Seckinger**), and six others, acreage unspecified but legal survey data listed.
5. Liber 294, Page 17, indenture recorded **October 1, 1931** (dated 9/8/31), for \$1.00 and other valuable considerations, from **Charles W. Richards** of Detroit, 20 acres

6. Liber 294, Page 16, indenture recorded **October 1, 1931** (dated 4/1/29), for \$1.00 and other valuable considerations, from **Lucetta Burg** and **Katie M. Burg** of York Township, 80 acres

We conducted significant research on **Rudolf R. Paul** (“Rudy Paul”), who apparently began using **Richard R. Paul** as his legal name around 1920. We believe he purchased these parcels due to their immediate proximity to the home he grew up in, an emotional attachment. However, we can find no evidence that he ever resided there as a permanent residence. It may have been a “vacation getaway”. Perhaps he had plans to eventually reside there. But there are on-line, annual city directories for Detroit, Highland Park and Dearborn, Michigan which list him and wives Amelia (Kress) (married from 1905-1919) and Rae (Papin) (married from 1920-1958) as residing at specific addresses within these cities, including his occupations over time (bricklayer, real estate agent, home builder, building manager). The real estate/home builder occupations fit with what he did with the Schlicht farmstead and adjacent parcels, to merge two houses into one.

9. We have not located any specific references to when **Richard R. Paul**, having purchased the properties from 1926-1931, began the process of combining two existing house structures to create the current long home structure existing on the property. It appears from the earlier plat maps that the house north of the railroad was merged into the house south of the railroad. It happened between 1926 and 1952, when he sold the property to **Kenneth and Dorothy Brokaw**.

10. We have researched **Richard R. Paul** on Ancestry and other genealogical sites. He had one son (Richard R. Paul II) with his second wife Rae, but Richard II passed away in 2016 in Dearborn. We have not been able to locate the date or place of Richard Paul’s death, not an obituary for him. Wife Rae passed away in 1980 in California. Therefore, we have not been able to identify any descendant or other family member who might provide information on the Austin Road property or what Richard R. Paul may have had in mind when he combined the homes and consolidated all these parcels into the current site. We have found no evidence, news stories or other anecdotes that the home and land was used for any kind of rental, commercial or community use during the Paul ownership. We have contacted several older Manchester residents who may have known the Pauls, but there was no additional information available.

11. On December 1, 1952, per Liber 612, Page 385, **Richard R. Paul** and wife **Rae Rabin Paul** sold to **Kenneth Brokaw** and **Dorothy Brokaw**, husband and wife of Ann Arbor, for \$1.00 and other valuable considerations, the complete set of parcels (acreage and address not specified, but detailed survey and legal description of property contained in deed).

The Brokaw family lived in the home as a full-time residence during 1952-1984. We have located **Gary Brokaw** living in Manchester, son of Kenneth and Dorothy Brokaw, and attempted contacting him. As of February 12, we have had no response. We have no evidence from local sources that the Brokaws ever used the home and property for any commercial or community reason.

12. Liber 1178, Page 388 dated October 3, 1966 also details a Quit Claim deed from **James C. Hendley** and **Virginia C. Hendley** to **Kenneth and Dorothy Brokaw** concerning the referenced property.

13. On September 25, 1984, per Liber 1954, Page 602, **Dorothy K. Brokaw** and **Bonnie Calhoun**, trustees in the estate of **Kenneth H. Brokaw** of Saline, Michigan, deceased, conveyed by Quit Claim deed to **Robert H. Moyad** and **Eva M. Moyad**, husband and wife of Ann Arbor, Michigan, the subject property. The Moyad family has used the property as a second home and “getaway” place, and the apartment contained in the home has been periodically rented. The smaller caretaker’s home on the property is currently rented.

There is no record or knowledge of them ever using it for commercial or community activities. The home/property has been on the real estate market for several years. Dr. Moyad passed away on February 3, 2021, and the property is currently off the market until the family makes decisions on its future.

Fatal Accident.	
ng be ses lic	On Saturday afternoon Henry Schlicht and son William, of Bridgewater, came to town, bought some lumber and shingles with which to repair the barn; and started for home, accompanied by a man named Purman. The shingles were piled on the lumber, which made an unsteady seat for the men, yet all went well until they descended the hill near Chas. Uhl's, not far from their home, when Mr. Schlicht, who was driving, suddenly slipped off the load behind the horses, followed by two or three bunches of shingles.
he of ly n- in of s. re ss	His son, seeing his father fall, immediately jumped from the wagon, and seeing him in the road, face downward, turned him over and raised him up, when he was horrified to find him dead.
The g re 0 k 0	The neighbors assembled and the body was carried home. The news of the terrible accident cast a gloom over the entire community, because Mr. Schlicht was one of those conscientious, christian men, who enjoyed the respect and confidence of everyone.
d 3 r o r G	Dr. Lynch was called, but when he arrived the body had been laid out and he did not make a thorough examination. His neck was not broken, however, and it is presumed that the wagon passed over his breast, and that the wagon struck him on the head with sufficient force to cause his death.
e 1 E	He was born at Schale, Prussia, Jan. 25, 1839, and came to this country in 1855 with a sister and his brother John, who now resides in Sharon, and came to Freedom, where he worked for many of the best farmers in this section until he was able to buy the farm on which he lived at the time of his death. In 1867 he married Charlotte Schillinger, by whom he had three children, two of whom, a son and daughter, are now living. He had been for many years a member of the evangelical church and was a regular attendant at Rowe's Corners or at Bethel's church, and from the latter church the funeral was held on Tuesday, which was attended by scores of neighbors and friends from far and near.
Mi Ge to hi Fr datio Mr been Th	He was strictly temperate, honest, upright and charitable, a good neighbor, kind father and loving husband, and such men cannot well be spared, but the will of the Almighty has so decreed it, and leaves the community to mourn his loss.

Figure 9 – Manchester Enterprise Obituary of Henry Schlicht, May 31, 1888

The *Manchester Enterprise* newspaper serves as an excellent reference for researching contemporary news and what we call “19th century Twitter” accounts of everyday life of Manchester residents, particularly from 1867 (founding date of the newspaper) through 1918, a period in which the newspaper has been exhaustively indexed. The index is available through the Manchester Area Historical Society, and a paper copy of the index is available in the Manchester District Library. Mat Blosser, editor/publisher of the paper from 1867-1939, was thorough, direct and comprehensive in his coverage of events and people.

As an example, here is the index on the Schlicht family from 1867-1918, and websites where scanned copies of the newspaper can be found and downloaded:

***Manchester Enterprise* Index excerpt for Schlicht surname**
Index generally covers 1867-1918 with some missing issues
Shows: Year, month, day (page, column)

Schlicht; Schleicht; Schicht 1887: 9/22 (2/2); 1893: 3/23 (3/2)

Anna; Ann 1912: 3/28 (5/1), 12/5 (5/4)

Bernhard 1907: 6/6 (4/2)

Bertha 1907: 6/13 (5/2); 1911: 5/18 (5/2)

Charlotte 1904: 2/4 (5/5 [D])

Clara 1886: 4/1 (3/3), 7/1 (2/2); 1904: 1/21 (5/1); 1905: 1/19 (5/1); 1914: 1/15 (5/1)

Clara (Mann) 1905: 6/8 (4/3 [M])

Clarence 1913: 10/2 (5/3), 10/30 (5/3)

Emma 1886: 4/1 (3/3), 7/1 (2/2); 1896: 10/1 (3/3); 1897: 8/26 (4/4); 1912: 12/5 (5/4); 1913: 1/9 (5/2), 10/2 (5/3); 1914: 10/22 (7/3); 1915: 2/4 (5/4), 6/24 (8/3), 9/23 (8/4), 9/30 (8/1); 1916: 2/17 (8/3)

Frederick 1908: 2/13 (4/1)

George; Geo 1885: 4/9 (3/1); 1904: 5/26 (5/2), 11/17 (4/3), 1907: 8/22 (5/5 [D]); 1908: 2/13 (4/1)

Henry 1879: 12/11 (3/2); 1880: 12/30 (3/3); 1881: 3/17 (3/5), 5/26 (2/2), 6/2 (3/3); 1882: 4/6 (2/2); 1883: 4/5 (2/2); 1886: 7/8 (2/2); 1888: 5/31 (3/4, 5 [D]); 1892: 9/22 (4/1); 1912: 3/28 (5/1)

(Mrs.) 1881: 9/8 (3/4); 1903: 10/1 (5/2)

J. B. (Mr. & Mrs.) 1899: 8/24 (3/2)

J. H. 1878: 6/13 (2/1); 1890: 10/2 (3/3); 1891: 9/17 (4/2); 1894: 5/3 (4/3)

John; Jno 1873: 8/7 (1/6); 1876: 8/24 (3/2); 1879: 8/7 (3/1), 8/14 (3/1); 1880: 3/18 (2/1), 5/6 (3/3), 8/26 (3/3); 1881: 3/17 (3/5), 4/7 (2/1, 3/1), 4/21 (3/1); 1882: 2/2 (3/1), 5/25 (3/4), 8/3 (3/2); 1883: 5/31 (3/3); 1884: 10/16 (3/4); 1885: 5/14 (3/2), 10/15 (3/1); 1886: 1/7 (3/1), 4/8 (3/5); 1887: 7/7 (3/1), 10/20 (3/1); 1890: 3/6 (3/4), 10/16 (3/1); 1891: 4/2 (3/3); 1892: 3/31 (3/4), 4/7 (4/2); 1893: 1/12 (4/1), 4/6 (4/1); 1895: 12/12 (3/2); 1902: 7/17 (4/3), 9/4 (3/2); 1903: 9/3 (5/2); 1904: 4/28 (5/1), 6/2 (5/1); 1905: 9/7 (4/3); 1906: 3/29 (5/1); 1908: 9/10 (5/5); 1914: 9/3 (8/1); 1915: 9/2 (5/1)

(Mr. & Mrs.) 1903: 1/8 (5/3)

(Mrs.) 1895: 1/3 (3/2); 1901: 11/7 (3/1); 1902: 2/6 (3/1); 1908: 1/9 (4/2); 1911: 1/12 (4/2), 2/9 (4/2, 5/4 [D]), 2/16 (5/2)

John B. 1877: 10/4 (3/2)

John B., Sr. 1881: 3/17 (3/5 [D])

John H. 1879: 3/6 (3/2); 1882: 2/23 (2/3), 6/29 (3/5); 1903: 12/10 (5/2); 1911: 4/6 (5/3), 4/20 (5/2); 1916: 1/13 (5/6)

John P. 1890: 4/10 (3/4)

Katie (Schaible) 1896: 3/12 (4/3 [M?])

L. J. 1916: 1/6 (5/2)

Lewis; Louis 1883: 3/22 (3/4); 1896: 9/10 (4/3); 1898: 3/31 (4/3, 4), 4/7 (3/3), 8/25 (4/3), 10/6 (3/1), 10/20 (3/1); 1899: 3/16 (3/1); 1896: 12/31 (3/2); 1897: 1/14 (3/2), 8/26 (4/4), 12/9 (4/3); 1898: 1/6 (4/3), 12/15 (3/2); 1911: 1/5 (5/1), 5/11 (5/1), 11/30 (4/2); 1912: 5/16 (4/2); 1913: 2/6 (5/2); 1914: 5/14 (4/4); 1915: 5/27 (4/4); 1916: 3/9 (Supp.?) (2/2)

(Mr. & Mrs.) 1898: 10/20 (3/5 [B])

Lewis J. 1901: 12/5 (4/3)

Lillie 1894: 2/8 (3/1)

Lillie (Davidter) 1890: 3/27 (3/5 [M])

Lottie 1885: 3/19 (3/4), 12/17 (3/4); 1886: 1/14 (3/4), 2/11 (3/4); 1892: 9/22 (4/1); 1893: 6/22 (3/4), 9/7 (3/4), 9/21 (3/3); 1894: 4/5 (4/3), 5/10 (3/4), 9/6 (3/3); 1895: 4/4 (3/3); 1902: 3/20 (3/5); 1904: 2/4 (5/5), 6/30 (4/1); 1906: 7/5 (5/3); 1907: 2/14 (5/3); 1908: 9/3 (5/4), 12/24 (5/3); 1909: 1/21 (5/3)

Lottie M. 1892: 9/8 (3/5); 1894: 4/26 (3/2), 9/6 (3/3); 1898: 6/30 (3/3); 1905: 9/7 (5/3)

Mary A. See **Dowling**, Mary A. (Schleicht)

Sarah. See **Ernst**, Sarah (Schlicht)

W. H. 1892: 11/17 (3/4); 1894: 9/6 (3/3); 1895: 3/14 (3/3), 3/21 (4/2); 1897: 12/16 (3/3); 1913: 4/10 (5/3)

W. J. 1894: 4/5 (3/4)

William; Wm.; Will; Willie 1872: 6/27 (1/6); 1885: 3/19 (3/4); 1886: 9/16 (2/2), 12/16 (3/4); 1888: 5/31/ (3/4); 1890: 3/27 (3/ [M]); 1896: 3/12 (4/3 [M]); 1897: 12/2 (3/2); 1899: 8/24 (3/2); 1905: 6/8 (4/3 [M]), 6/8 (5/3); 1906: 4/5 (5/3); 1915: 7/8 (5/3), 10/21 (5/3)

(Mr. & Mrs.) 1902: 3/13 (3/4 [B])

(Mrs.) 1893: 4/6 (3/4)

William H. 1887: 9/15 (4/2), 10/20 (3/4), 11/17 (3/3); 1888: 3/8 (3/3); 1890: 4/10 (3/4); 1893: 9/7 (3/4); 1894: 5/3 (3/3); 1904: 2/4 (5/5); 1907: 4/4 (5/3); 1915: 4/8 (5/3)

Wm. J. 1893: 12/7 (4/3); 1894: 5/10 (3/3, 4); 1896: 4/9 (3/4); 1911: 4/6 (5/3)

(Mrs.) 1906: 1/25 (5/4)

Wm. M. 1894: 3/29 (3/4)

See also **Schick**

On-Line Manchester Enterprise scanned microfilm copies

The Manchester Mirror [Index of /History/Enterprise \(themanchestermirror.com\)](http://themanchestermirror.com)

Covers 1860s-2000s with some gaps

The Making of Modern Michigan - "Digitizing Michigan's Hidden Past" (msu.edu)

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY 7 PM May 17, 2021
BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP HALL
10990 CLINTON RD.
MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER – Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM
- II. ROLL CALL and Determination of a Quorum – Present: Horney, Messing (remote, in Bridgewater), Barbu, Oliver, Iwanicki. Quorum present.
- III. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA – Moved Horney, second Oliver. Approved by unanimous voice vote.
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Moved Horney, second Oliver. Approved by unanimous voice vote.
 - A. April 12, 2021 Planning Commission meeting
- V. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – None
- VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None
None Scheduled
- VII. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Set a public hearing date and location for proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments # 67-5 and 67-6.
Mr. Nanney reported that the Heritage Hall in Bridgewater could hold up to 100 people, depending on Covid restrictions, and could be available in June.
 - B. Ordinance review - There was discussion about possible consequences for the township if the Zoning Ordinance were amended to allow for commercial solar development. During discussion of the draft Zoning Ordinance amendments to allow commercial solar energy facilities, commissioners noted that this topic has

been studied thoroughly and draft ordinance language has been carefully considered for what is best for the Township. Positive benefits are concentrated for a few property owners, while adverse impacts on visual character and agricultural infrastructure are general or broad across the Township. The loss of 10% or more of the Township's available farmland will impact availability of agricultural support services in the region. Concerns were also expressed about the potential wind-related and electrical equipment noise in the very quiet rural environment, heavy truck traffic impacts on already failing rural road infrastructure during facility construction and future demolition, the lack of examples of similar scale facilities in the region to evaluate, and the administrative ability of the Township to ensure proper disposal of obsolete equipment. Mr. Horney suggested that, given the many drawbacks of allowing commercial solar development, we postpone setting a public hearing on Zoning Ordinance changes and ask for further direction from the Township Board.

Motion by Horney that we postpone setting a public hearing on changes to sections 67-5 and 67-6 of the Zoning Ordinance awaiting further direction from the Township Board. Second Oliver. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. None

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Zoning Administrators Report – Mr. Nanney's report is on file.

B. Trustees Report - None

X. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – Mr. Nanney reminded all that a bill was coming up soon in the legislature that would remove all control over mineral extraction permits from local government and any objections should be registered with legislators soon.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

XII ADJOURNMENT – Moved to adjourn Horney, support Oliver. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM by unanimous voice vote.

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Fw: Dumping at Riverbend Preserve

From: Laurie Fromhart (bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com)

To: vaughnc@washtenaw.org

Date: Wednesday, May 26, 2021, 01:10 PM EDT

Hi Coy,

Dumping at the Riverbend Preserve is becoming a real problem. Please see attached pictures. This is north of Allen Road.

I would recommend reaching out to the River Raisin Watershed Council as they do offer assistance with river clean up.

Please let me know if there is anything the Township can do to help.

Thanks,

Laurie Fromhart
Bridgewater Township Supervisor
10990 Clinton Rd
Manchester, MI 48158
Cell: 734.223.2766
Email: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com















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MARK A. PTASZEK
UNDERSHERIFF

May 3, 2021

Laurie Fromhart
Bridgewater Township Supervisor
10990 Clinton Rd
Manchester, MI 48158

Dear Ms. Laurie Fromhart,

The Sheriff's Office is pleased to provide the attached April 2021 police services report for Bridgewater Township. This report provides a variety of information including time in the Township by position, traffic enforcement activity, total calls for service (including the State Police), and Deputies from other contract jurisdictions who responded to calls in Bridgewater Township. Also included is the breakdown of calls for the month, which includes the date and area where the incident was located.

As a reminder for residents they can sign up for "Up-to-the-minute updates" from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office by email or cell phone at www.washtenaw.org/alerts.

Also available to residents is the ability to sign up for house checks if they are going out of town for a period of time. The house watch form can be found at <https://www.washtenaw.org/1743/House-Watch>.

If you have questions, wish further information or clarification please contact me at hunta@washtenaw.org or at 734-660-6870.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Sheriff Clayton,

Alan Hunt

Alan Hunt, Lieutenant
Sheriff's West Operations

Bridgewater Township Monthly Report

INCIDENT	DATE/TIME	CFS Verified Offense	ADDRESS	CITY
210021331	4/3/21 21:06 PM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	NEAL RD / E AUSTIN RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210021498	4/4/21 15:23 PM	L3597 Non Terminal - WD	8000 BLOCK SCHNEIDER RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210021903	4/6/21 03:10 AM	L6199 BOL - Be on the Lookout - WD	E MICHIGAN AVE / LIMA CENTER RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210022197	4/7/21 00:24 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	W MICHIGAN AVE / ARKONA RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210022210	4/7/21 02:02 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	W MICHIGAN AVE / W WILLOW RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210022341	4/7/21 15:06 PM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	12700 BLOCK CLINTON RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210022403	4/7/21 18:57 PM	C3999 - Alarms All Other	13300 BLOCK CLINTON RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210023042	4/10/21 15:04 PM	L6199 BOL - Be on the Lookout - WD	E MICHIGAN AVE / LIMA CENTER RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210023368	4/12/21 07:15 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	E AUSTIN RD / SCHNEIDER RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210023374	4/12/21 08:25 AM	L3597 Non Terminal - WD	10800 BLOCK BRAUN RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210023419	4/12/21 11:47 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	W MICHIGAN AVE / W WILLOW RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210023857	4/14/21 06:36 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	E AUSTIN RD / SCHNEIDER RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210024084	4/15/21 05:17 AM	L6199 BOL - Be on the Lookout - WD	W MICHIGAN AVE / ARKONA RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210024142	4/15/21 13:25 PM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	10900 BLOCK BRAUN RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210024312	4/16/21 10:04 AM	L3597 Non Terminal - WD	100 BLOCK JOANN TRL	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210024343	4/16/21 13:45 PM	C3730 - Traffic Complaint / Traffic Miscellaneous A Comple	E AUSTIN RD / ERNST RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210024539	4/17/21 12:26 PM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	10800 BLOCK FISK RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210024999	4/19/21 11:49 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	9300 BLOCK AUSTIN RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210025006	4/19/21 12:10 PM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	9300 BLOCK AUSTIN RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210025166	4/20/21 07:17 AM	L3597 Non Terminal - WD	10800 BLOCK BRAUN RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210025695	4/22/21 15:15 PM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	9200 BLOCK KIES RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP

Bridgewater Township Monthly Report

INCIDENT	DATE/TIME	CFS Verified Offense	ADDRESS	CITY
210025787	4/22/21 23:54 PM	C3333 Assist Motorist	E MICHIGAN AVE / NEBLO RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210025816	4/23/21 06:20 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	LIMA CENTER RD / HOELZER RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210026049	4/23/21 22:44 PM	L6065 Miscellaneous Info - WD	W MICHIGAN AVE / ARKONA RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210026552	4/26/21 10:17 AM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	9200 BLOCK W WILLOW RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP
210026694	4/26/21 21:42 PM	L3523 - MSP Calls - WD	W MICHIGAN AVE / MCCOLLUM RD	BRIDGEWATER TWP



BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP MONTHLY POLICE SERVICES DATA

April 2021

JERRY L. CLAYTON
SHERIFF

Incidents	Month 2021	Month 2020	% Change	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	% Change
Traffic Stops	1	0	+	5	5	0%
Citations	1	0	+	5	8	-38%
Calls for Service Total	29	21	38%	117	121	-3%
Calls for Service <i>MSP Handled</i>	18	9	100%	59	55	7%
Calls for Service <i>WCSO Handled</i>	1	2	-50%	13	17	-24%
Calls for Service <i>Administratively cleared</i>	10	10	0%	45	56	-20%
Animal Complaints <i>(ACO Response)</i>	0	0	-	0	0	-
Into Area Time	Month <i>(minutes)</i>	YTD <i>(minutes)</i>	+ = Positive Change - = Negative Change			
Animal Control	0	0				
Deputy Sheriff	0	20				
Investigative Ops (DB)	0	0				
County Wide Patrol	0	225				
Secondary Road Patrol	57	539				
Command	0	10				
Animal Control	County funded animal control officer responding to complaints involving domestic animals or wild animals that have been domesticated.					
Deputy Sheriff	Deputies under contract by another jurisdiction who perform law enforcement duties in non-contract areas.					
Investigative Ops (DB)	County funded detectives/investigators who have additional training, experience, and equipment to perform higher level law enforcement duties.					
County Wide Patrol	County funded county wide road patrol deputies who primarily perform law enforcement duties in non-contracting areas.					
Secondary Road Patrol	A partially funded grant to provide traffic enforcement on secondary roads throughout the county. Respond to and investigate traffic related incidents on secondary roads. On call investigators for serious injury and fatal motor vehicle crashes.					

RE: North Sludge storage tank pump

From: Tom Thompson (thompson@vil-manchester.org)

To: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com

Date: Monday, May 24, 2021, 10:02 AM EDT

No, this is an older unit.

From: Laurie Fromhart [mailto:bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 9:30 AM
To: thompson@vil-manchester.org
Subject: Re: North Sludge storage tank pump

Yes that's fine. Is that one of the pumps that was recently replaced?

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

On Mon, May 24, 2021 at 8:56 AM, Tom Thompson

[<thompson@vil-manchester.org>](mailto:thompson@vil-manchester.org) wrote:

Hi Laurie,

The north sludge storage tank aerator pump keeps tripping the breaker. Jon and I are going to pull the pump out this afternoon to see if there is anything obvious (blockage, etc) causing the pump to trip.

We may need to call Kennedy Pumps to take a look at it. I just need to make sure you're okay with it.

Thanks,

Tom

Thomas J. Thompson

Village of Manchester

Water Superintendent

(734) 428-7171

RE: North Sludge storage tank pump

From: Tom Thompson (thompsont@vil-manchester.org)

To: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com

Date: Friday, May 28, 2021, 09:26 AM EDT

Laurie,

Jon and I pulled the pump up a few feet and set it back in place on Tuesday. The pump faulted and tripped the breaker three times. By the fourth time restarting the pump it ran okay and at this time has not faulted again. I had the tech out from Kennedy today to look at and diagnose the pump. He said the pump is at the end of its life and suggested just letting it run until it dies. I will be in touch with Kennedy to see what the options are next week and get some quotes. This is the tank where the guide rails are loose and the pump is off the rails and they need to be relocated to the other end of the tank anyway (we had new rails and pump put in the south tank a couple of years ago). I'll let you know what Kennedy proposes next week. Thanks,

Tom

Thomas J. Thompson

Village of Manchester

Water Superintendent

(734) 428-7171

From: Tom Thompson [mailto:thompsont@vil-manchester.org]
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 10:03 AM
To: 'Laurie Fromhart' <bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: North Sludge storage tank pump

No, this is an older unit.

From: Laurie Fromhart [mailto:bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 9:30 AM
To: thompsont@vil-manchester.org
Subject: Re: North Sludge storage tank pump

Yes that's fine. Is that one of the pumps that was recently replaced?

American Rescue Plan funding details released today; further guidance forthcoming

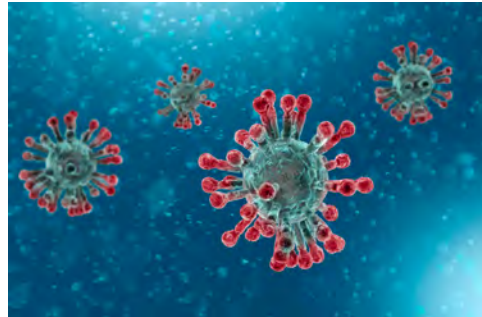
From: Michigan Townships Association (jenn@michigantownships.org)

To: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com

Date: Monday, May 10, 2021, 04:11 PM EDT



Additional guidance and [details](#) about the federal COVID-19 relief funding for state and local governments was announced today by the U.S. Department of Treasury.



The [Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds](#) program, authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act, seeks to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery.

However, Treasury still expects to provide guidance for ["non-entitlement units"](#) (NEUs)—which applies to communities under 50,000 population and, therefore, all but eight of Michigan's 1,240 townships. Townships will receive relief funds through the state, which will receive \$644 million to disburse to Michigan's non-entitlement units. A bill is pending in the state Legislature to appropriate the ARPA funds to non-entitlement communities.

Award amounts are based on population; [estimated allocations](#) and summaries are subject to change. Funds must be distributed to NEUs within 30 days, unless an extension is granted by the U.S. Treasury secretary. We expect that the state Department of Treasury will release additional guidance in the upcoming days as well.

U.S. Treasury's [Interim Final Rule](#) for the program, released today, describes eligible uses for funding, including responding to acute pandemic-response needs, filling public revenue shortfalls, and supporting the communities and populations hardest hit by the COVID-19 crisis. A [Treasury Quick Reference Guide](#) shares examples of allowable uses, such as:

- **Support Public Health Response.** Fund COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff
- **Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss.** Use funds to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic
- **Water and Sewer Infrastructure.** Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, and invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure

- **Address Negative Economic Impacts.** Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector
- **Premium Pay for Essential Workers.** Offer additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors
- **Broadband Infrastructure.** Make necessary investments to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access

U.S. Treasury and the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will host two identical 30-minute introductory briefings **today** at [6:45 p.m.](#)

The state Treasury department recommends that, in preparation to receive and report on the federal funding, all townships ensure that they have a current [DUNS number](#) and [SAM.gov](#) registration.

Watch your email and MTA's publications for further updates as they become available.

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Local Zoning Under Attack—Your voices are needed

Townships are facing an assault on local zoning authority under several bills currently being considered by the Legislature. The bills are yet another example of legislative efforts to erode local authority and preempt your township's ability to best serve your residents and community. Any threat to local control must be met with opposition, with township voices sharing the importance of local democracy by the government closest to the people. Township officials need to act to protect your zoning authority. Join MTA in our fight for you and contact your [state legislators](#) today:

Preemption on sand and gravel mining—MTA strongly [opposes](#) legislation to strip township authority and oversight of sand and gravel mining operations that could receive a vote next week. Sand and gravel mining operations can have a lasting impact on a community without proper consideration of existing land uses and the effects it will have on the community, its residents, its businesses and property owners. Senate Bills [429](#), [430](#) and [431](#) are an assault on local control by the mining industry that would allow state takeover on matters of a local concern—including permitting, location, hours of operation, truck routes, reclamation and financial assurance.

Senate Bills 429-431 eliminate local jurisdiction and place sole authority with the state—prohibiting any local review or consideration of a sand and gravel mining operation. As introduced, the bills would not permit the state department (Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy) to deny an application nor would a public hearing be required for input from impacted communities. The bills do not address very serious consequences that would be created by the mining operation in the community or contain any monitoring or control of truck routes. Other provisions of concern include permitting mining activities to exceed the noise standards for international airports within 400 feet from a home, business or school, no annual review to address local concerns, and a cap on reclamation.

Local governments are best equipped to balance the needs of residents with the impact of mining operations. The majority of Michigan residents agree—more than 78% of residents oppose eliminating local approval. MTA urges you to contact your state legislators and voice your opposition.

Committees to vote on eliminating local zoning authority on short-term rentals—Townships' authority to regulate short-term rentals would be eliminated under two bills slated for committee action next week. [Senate Bill 446](#) and [House Bill 4722](#) would mandate short-term rentals be permitted in all residential zones and preempt any local authority such as a special use or conditional use permit, or any procedure different from those required for single-family or other dwellings in the same zone. The legislation would create a new statewide zoning requirement—eliminating a township's ability to regulate any issues with nonowner-occupied residences **unless** the same regulations are



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Township Insights 5.28.2021 | Weekly legislative and news update from the Michigan Townships Association

From: Michigan Townships Association (jenn@michigantownships.org)

To: bridgewaterwpsupervisor@yahoo.com

Date: Friday, May 28, 2021, 06:58 PM EDT

Michigan Township INSIGHTS

Weekly News and Information from the Michigan Townships Association | May 28, 2021

Initial American Rescue Act guidance for majority of townships released

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has released American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) COVID-19 relief [guidance for “non-entitlement units”](#)—i.e., communities under 50,000 population, which is all but eight of Michigan's townships. Before distributing the funds to townships and other NEUs, the state must request payment from the federal government, calculate allocations and collect documentation from NEUs—including a [current DUNS number](#), contact and financial institution information, and the unit's total budget. Allocations are based on relative population counts with a maximum based on 75% of the local government's budget—both general fund and all other funds—as of Jan. 27, 2020 (pre-pandemic annual budget). The state will have 30 days after receiving the funds to distribute them to NEUs, though it can apply for extensions. According to the latest U.S. Treasury guidance, NEUs will have to request funding from the state. The state Department of Treasury has not yet released the application process. Treasury will hold webinars in June on ARPA funding, including a specific webinar on June 17 for NEUs. MTA will also host Q&A webinars, and will continue to share information with our members as it becomes available, in our publications and on www.michigantownships.org/covidrelief.asp.



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Bills preempting locals on short-term rentals now before House and Senate

Townships' authority to regulate short-term rentals would be eliminated under two bills now before the House and Senate.



June 1, 2021

Dear Valued DuBois Customer,

Please be advised that effective on or before July 1st, 2021, DuBois Chemicals will increase selling prices to our customers. Your DuBois representative will contact you to share your account specific pricing and help you plan for the July increase. Please be sure to update your pricing systems as agreed with your DuBois sales representative. Orders that are submitted to DuBois with incorrect pricing will be held until the order is updated with the correct price(s).

While we continuously strive to avoid price increases through internal productivity and process improvement, innovation and production efficiencies, we are in a position where we need to ask for your partnership. Costs for most raw materials have increased sharply including increases in Oil of over 200%, Phosphates of over 43% and surfactants more than 9% in the last year. In addition, the tight labor market is driving up our operating costs beyond what we can recover internally. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, compensation costs for private industry workers increased 2.6% percent from January 2020 to January 2021 and Freight costs have increased more than 16% percent for the last 12 months ending in March 2021. DuBois has a formal ongoing cost-lowering effort and the results to date have allowed us to mitigate some of our increases and only ask you for a portion of our overall cost increase. We are committed to continuing to offer the best value for the best products and services on the market.

Our supply team is in constant communication with our material suppliers to minimize the impact of these cost increases on our customers. We are also progressively working with our supply partners to continue a consistent and secure supply of quality materials to ensure uninterrupted and reliable service that our customers require.

Your understanding and continued support are appreciated. We will continue in our commitment to provide you with the highest quality products, service and technical support that delivers peace of mind in your operation.

We thank you for your loyal business and wish you and your business a safe and prosperous 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob J. Justus". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a thin, light-colored rectangular border.

Rob J. Justus
Vice President - Marketing and International Business
DuBois Chemicals

To: Alma Wheeler, Ned Stabler, Ben Stupka

Feb. 11, 2021

CC: WATS Policy Committee, AAATA Board

Ms. Wheeler, Mr. Stabler and Mr. Stupka,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on three elements of the RTA's regional transit plan update: 1) the commuter rail project, and other services in 2) rural and 3) urban areas of Washtenaw County. I hope to share some detailed perspective by submitting written comments.

I would suggest that the RTA describe rail as a long-term goal, but not include it in the updated 2022 plan. We can replace it with locally-driven ideas that produce more widespread benefits throughout the County and services build ridership so rail will be more viable in the future.

The commuter rail project (Ann Arbor-Detroit) appears to concentrate most of the RTA's investment into *one* mega-project that produces few riders at this time; and I fear there will not be enough money left for other services or projects. The RTA's credibility could be damaged by this result. The following are some key observations:

1. **Costs are High and Benefits are Low**

- a. **High Costs:** Capital costs have grown from \$130 million to \$222-\$364 million – an astonishing increase which may grow further. I understand that costs for a new station in Ann Arbor are not yet included. Operations costs are pegged at \$12-\$20 million/year. Even with these heavy costs, the amount of service planned is actually quite low; only eight roundtrips a day. In comparison, in early 2020 the D2A2 highway-coach service provided 16 roundtrips at a fraction of the cost.
- b. **Low Ridership:** The RTA estimates ridership at 1,150-1,800 trips per day. This is *extremely* low. By comparison before the pandemic the AAATA carried over 4,500 trips per day on *one* bus route (#4) between Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti.
- c. **Cost/Benefit:** The cost-per-new-rider appears to be a very high \$6,800- \$17,000 per trip (operating). For comparison, TheRide's cost per rider was \$4.65 in 2019, and the D2A2 service was expecting 500-800 daily trips for less than \$2.1 million per year (all operating).

After 20 years, the economic case for commuter rail appears to be getting worse. We are not obligated to follow well-intended ideas from 15 years ago. In light of this new information, I would be negligent for not advising the RTA and county leaders to consider a new course.

2. **Equity** – Commuter rail may raise class and racial equity issues:

- a. Commuter rail will consume most of the county's funding, leaving little to be spent elsewhere. Everyone in the County will pay but only a few communities will directly benefit. This project may not benefit the eastern or western parts of the

County to any meaningful degree. With such low ridership any spin-off benefits near stations are unlikely. The chief beneficiary may be the University of Michigan which does not pay property taxes.

- b. By its nature, commuter rail is targeted at a professional audience which tends to be more affluent and whiter than other transit riders. Focusing so much money on such a small group may attract negative criticism.
- c. Rail is too slow to connect the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti areas.

Most of these concerns can be avoided by relying on smaller services that can be distributed more equitably and with greater local input. TheRide has won two referendums by wide margins with no rail projects, so rail may not be necessary politically.

3. **Will Anyone Help us Pay for Rail?** – I would ask that the RTA clarify who will pay for commuter rail *before* the 2022 plan is finalized. The proposed tri-county transit plan of 2019 would have had Washtenaw County taxpayers, not our regional partners, pay for almost all of the rail project. Similar assumptions may have existed the RTA's 2016 and 2018 plans. I'd ask the RTA to ensure the funding arrangements concerning commuter rail are shared with local decision makers. Federal stimulus may not help; we've known since 2007 that the feds won't pay for such an under-used project, and there are many worthier rail projects in line ahead of us for future infrastructure spending.
4. **There are Better Alternatives** – The RTA's resources can better serve the County with smaller, less costly and more flexible services that can be implemented quickly and spread across the County. By redirecting rail funding, we could triple the funding for WAVE and People's Express, build a proper bus rapid transit line between Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, and start three more D2A2 services – and have a lot of funds left over. Back-of-the-envelope plans for such alternatives already exist and could be refined locally with the RTA before the 2022 referendum. The RTA's 1 to 2 mill tax levy will compete with other needs and so should provide as much local benefit as possible. Rail projects do not have a good track record in Michigan.

Many of us have been long-time supporters of regional transit and want to see it succeed. I would suggest that the RTA plan describe rail as a long-term goal but not fund it in the 2022 plan. Instead, we can develop locally-driven ideas that produce more widespread benefits throughout the County, and services that build ridership so rail is more viable in the future.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the RTA's regional transit plan.

Sincerely,



Matt Carpenter, CEO TheRide

Fact Sheet on Resources for Understanding Local Zoning in Michigan

May 19, 2021: This fact sheet highlights two separate sources of information on local government planning and zoning: the **Michigan Zoning Database** and the **Michigan Public Policy Survey (MPPS)**. The Michigan Zoning Database is a joint project of UM's Graham Sustainability Institute and the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy. The MPPS is an ongoing program administered by the University of Michigan's Center for Local, State, and Urban Policy (CLOSUP).

The Michigan Zoning Database shows which Michigan local jurisdictions fall under county, joint, or individual city/township/village zoning authorities, and which are unzoned. (Note: the database has been recently updated to cover 1,615 jurisdictions statewide; however, some jurisdictions are not included due to lack of readily available data.)

Michigan Local Zoning Authority, by jurisdiction type (updated as of May 2021)

	Total	County Zoning	City Zoning	Township Zoning	Village Zoning	Unzoned	No Data
Townships	1240	209	0	870	0	20	130
Cities	280	0	277	0	0	2	0
Villages	253	3	0	3	202	1	28
Total	1773	212	277	873	202	23	158

More detailed information, including maps, specific approaches to zoning among Washtenaw County jurisdictions, and links to local ordinances related to renewable energy is available here:

<https://myumi.ch/ov5xX>

The Michigan Public Policy Survey (MPPS) asked a wide variety of questions on its **Fall 2017 survey** related to land use planning and zoning, including questions on master plans, capital improvements plans (CIPs), perceived benefits to land use planning, and more.

The table below shows **local leaders' satisfaction with their jurisdictions' approach to planning and zoning** among all jurisdictions in Michigan statewide, among those in Washtenaw County's region, and among all jurisdictions combined just in Washtenaw County. (Note: all MPPS survey responses are confidential and are never released in ways that can identify individual respondents or their jurisdictions; tables below do not include "neither" or "don't know" responses.)

Local officials' satisfaction with their jurisdiction's current approach to planning and zoning

	Statewide	Southeast Region	Washtenaw County Jurisdictions
Very satisfied	38%	39%	59%
Somewhat satisfied	42%	46%	29%
Somewhat or very dissatisfied	8%	7%	4%

The MPPS also asked local officials from jurisdictions with control over their own zoning **to what degree they generally consult their master plan when making rezoning decisions.**

Local officials' assessments of how their jurisdiction uses the master plan in rezoning decisions

(among jurisdictions that responded to the survey and indicated they zone themselves or are County-zoned)

	Statewide	Southeast Region	Washtenaw County Jurisdictions
Strictly adhere to Master Plan when rezoning	38%	43%	71%
Follow spirit but not letter of Master Plan when rezoning	50%	50%	24%
Rarely consider the Master Plan when rezoning	4%	2%	0%

Much more information about views on planning and zoning from 2017 is available in the main MPPS report: <https://myumi.ch/4pA8j>

Additional information on other local government topics is available at <http://closup.umich.edu> or by contacting CLOSUP by email (closup@umich.edu) or by phone (734-647-4091). Follow CLOSUP on twitter: @closup

Washtenaw County Road Commission

Operations Report: 04/26/2021 thru 05/09/2021

Board Meeting Date: May 18, 2021

MAINTENANCE

Scraping of gravel roads and patching of paved roads were performed throughout the county. In addition, the following maintenance activities were performed in individual townships:

ANN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

- HMA Resurfacing – Geddes Road
- Limestone Patch – Dhu Varren Road, Ford Road: 17 tons

AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP

- Limestone Patch – Arkona Road, Gooding Road, Hitchingham Road, Judd Road, Macey Road, Pitman Road, Torrey Road, Tuttle Hill Road: 285 tons

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP

- Boom Mow – Clinton Road
- Limestone Patch – Burmeister Road, Klager Road: 40 tons
- Primary Road Dust Control
- Roadside Debris – Hogan Road, Neblo Road

DEXTER TOWNSHIP

- Fallen Trees – Hankerd Road, Island Lake Road
- Gravel Patch – Dexter-Pinckney Road, McGregor Road: 26 tons
- Primary Road Dust Control

LIMA TOWNSHIP

- Adopt-A-Road Pickup – Jackson Road
- Boom Mow – Dexter-Chelsea Road, Scio Church Road
- Fallen Trees – Jerusalem Road
- Limestone Patch – Dancer Road, Steinbach Road: 14 tons
- Primary Road Dust Control

LODI TOWNSHIP

- Cut Bleeders – Diuble Road, Gensley Road, Tessmer Road, Waters Road
- Crack Sealing – Fox Ridge Court
- Limestone Patch – Alber Road, Dell Road, Saline Waterworks Road, Waters Road, Weber Road, Zeeb Road: 68 tons
- Limestone Patch Shoulders – Ann Arbor-Saline Road, Pleasant Lake Road, Tangerine Drive, Wagner Road: 40 tons
- Local Road Dust Control

Washtenaw County Road Commission

Operations Report: 05/10/2021 thru 05/23/2021

Board Meeting Date: June 1, 2021

MAINTENANCE

Scraping of gravel roads and patching of paved roads were performed throughout the county. In addition, the following maintenance activities were performed in individual townships:

ANN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

- Local Road Dust Control

AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP

- Chipsealing – Whittaker Road, Willis Road, Willow Road
- Limestone Patch – Hitchingham Road, Judd Road, McCrone Road: 48 tons

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP

- Chipsealing – Austin Road

DEXTER TOWNSHIP

- Boom Mow – Island Lake Road
- Local Road Dust Control
- Primary Road Dust Control
- Shoulder Maintenance – Dexter-Pinckney Road

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP

- Gravel Patch – Bethel Church Road, Waters Road: 22 tons
- Limestone Patch – Hieber Road, Lima Center Road, Waters Road: 15 tons
- Local Road Dust Control

LIMA TOWNSHIP

- Boom Mow – Scio Church Road
- Fallen Trees – Jackson Road

LODI TOWNSHIP

- Local Road Dust Control
- Parker Road Limestone Resurfacing Project – 5,821 tons

LYNDON TOWNSHIP

- Fallen Trees – Cassidy Road
- Local Road Dust Control
- Primary Road Dust Control
- Shoulder Maintenance – North Territorial Road



Washtenaw County Broadband Task Force
 Established by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners
 Working to Achieve Countywide Broadband Equity by 2022



VIRTUAL Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 15, 2021
 8:00 – 9:00 A.M.

- I. Call to Order | Introductions / Roll Call
 The meeting was called to order by Chair Fuller at 8:00 a.m
 Present:

Barb Fuller	Chair of the Broadband Task Force
Ben Fineman	Vice Chair of the Broadband Task Force
Commissioner Jason Maciejewski	District 1
Kyle Mazurek	Comcast
Melanie Bell	Library Representative
Diane O’Connell	Ann Arbor Township
Karen Nolte	Dexter Township
Valisa Bristle	Freedom Township
Gary Munce	Lyndon Township
Lisa Moutinho	Manchester Township
LJ Walter	Northfield Township
Gary Pirkola	Saline Township
Alec Jerome	Scio Township
Amanda Nimke-Ballard	Sylvan Township
John Kingsley	Webster Township
Gregory Dill	Washtenaw County Administrator

 Members of the Public:

Chris Scharrer	DCS Technologies
Jared Mauch	Washtenaw Fiber Properties, LLC
Patrick Zieske	
Ron Suarez	
Karen Woollams	
Lamar Weir	Congresswoman Dingell’s Office

- II. Approval of the Agenda
 Motion to approve agenda as presented: Gary Munce. Supported by John Kingsley
 Unanimous approval

- III. Approval of March 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes
 Motion to approve March 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes as presented: Ben Fineman.
 Supported by Gary Munce. Unanimous approval

IV. Updates

A. RDOF

- No significant updates since March 18, 2021 BBTF Meeting.
- Mercury Wireless is rebranding as Mercury Broadband.
- Remember, the RDOF build out process allows for up to 6 full years (2027). Please help your residents to manage expectations.

B. RFI for Broadband Gap Filling

- It was emphasized that this was a request for information and not a request for proposals. The RFI responses will serve as a starting point for conversations about addressing the approximately 3600 Washtenaw County households that will remain unserved after RDOF and CMIC funded expansions and completed.
- BBTF Leadership Team working with CTC Technology & Energy consultants to review RFI responses and plan next steps.
- Received responses from Midwest Energy & Communications (MEC) and Comcast as well as a program management and engineering services from DCS Technology Design, LLC.
- MEC did not describe a cost sharing approach to funding
- Comcast's response suggested cost sharing (80/20 with Comcast contributing 20%)
- More information to be shared upon complete review and analysis of responses

C. American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 – Twp allocations

- Broadband expansion is one of the approved uses for these funds. Townships are encouraged to set aside funds to fill in the gaps that will not be covered by the RDOF or CMIC awards.

To find the allocation amount for your township, as well as a narrative about the ARP <https://www.semcog.org/blog/what-the-american-rescue-plan-act-means-for-local-governments>

- scroll down to Non-entitlement Communities
- within that section scroll to the 3rd paragraph and click on the *This spreadsheet* link
- scroll down to find your Township's line (the governmental units are listed alphabetically)

The Michigan Townships Association is likely another helpful resource

<https://www.michigantownships.org/>

- Conversation then moved to the efficacy of this group and the strength it possesses by virtue of its collective membership
- Should a township decide to build broadband infrastructure independent of the BBTF, please let Barb know

D. Back-To-School Hotspots

- Sylvan utilizing Verizon – almost done
- Sharon nearing completion of erecting telescoping antenna
- Please let Barb know if you would like a 'Hotspot' sign

V. Action Items - None

VI. New Business - None

VII. Old Business - None

VIII. Township Updates

- **John Kingsley: Webster Township victim of ransomware on 3/19**
 - IT Right (their vendor) helped them navigate
 - \$10k ransom was demanded
 - Webster did not pay
 - Accelerated their new website implementation
 - All township employees now have new email addresses (check website)
 - No sensitive information accessed
 - No information lost
- **Gary Prikola: Saline Township BBTF Information Sharing**
 - Finding ways to share work of BBTF with township residents
 - Social media hasn't been overly effective, nor has email
 - Found allies in Clerk/Treasurer, will be placing ½ page w/information in summer tax bills. Valisa Bristle, Freedom Twp Clerk, cautioned that some tax bills are sent to banks and mortgage companies. Those property owners may therefore never receive the information that Gary described.
 - Information will direct people to township website and BBTF website
 - Others suggested direct mail, using voter files, partnering with libraries to reach their library card holders
 - John Kingsley, Webster Twp Supervisor, noted that they use broadcast genius to reach their residents via email
- **County Commissioner Jason Maciejewski shared his thoughts on the work of this group**
- Broadband access is a county-wide problem
- He is committed to solving it and having Washtenaw County become the first county in the state with complete broadband access for every resident
- Jason urged solidarity amongst the BBTF members
- He invited everyone to tune into the 6:30 PM April 22, 2021 Working Session of the County Board of Commissioners where a BBTF report will be given. (link provided in meeting materials)
- Jason is in favor of a dedicated full time staff person at the County to manage implementation of the BBTF overall plan, specifically coordinate the gap-filling project and provide ongoing administrative support.

IX. Public Comment

- Ron Suarez talked about Michigan Chapter of the Internet Society
 - <https://www.internetsociety.org/>
 - Contact him if interested: <https://michiganinter.net/contact/>
- Jared Mauch shared information about Washtenaw Fiber Properties, LLC broadband efforts in Scio Township. He pointed out that existing coverage maps will likely not indicate this fiber and cautioned against using grant dollars to build redundant service
- Lamar Weir from Congresswoman Debbie Dingell's office, asked if RFI information would be posted on the BBTF webpage. He was advised that it would be following review by the BBTF Leadership Team.

X. Announcements

- Barb corrected the BBTF Update by noting that the MTA Conference is in April not May.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Amanda Nimke Ballard. Supported by John Kingsley.
The meeting adjourned at 9:07 am

NEXT MEETING: May 20, 2021 @ 8:00-9:00AM – Zoom format

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