

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING

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SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

DATE: DECEMBER 17, 2009

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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ADMINISTRATION MEMBERS

SUPERVISOR: Donald A. Schwieman

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TRUSTEES

Michael S. Gardner

Scott R. Matzke

Scott P. Minaudo

Mark H. Purkey

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY:

STEVEN MOULTON

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:00 p.m. by **SUPERVISOR DONALD A. SCHWIEMAN (SCHWIEMAN)** with Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The Board Meeting was held at the Flushing Township Hall.

ROLL CALL: Schwieman, Morford, Noecker, Gardner, Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, and Attorney Steve Moulton

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER INDIVIDUALS PRESENT: Ten (10) other individuals were present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: MINAUDO MOVED, seconded by Noecker to approve the Agenda with an adjustment of items listed under Unfinished Business as follows:

1. Recreational Alliance with City of Flushing, Flushing Community Schools and Flushing Township
2. Electrical Bids for Flushing Township Hall
3. Flushing Township Cleaning Services
4. Police Chief Search Update

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Gardner, Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, Morford, Noecker, and Schwieman

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Recreational Alliance with City of Flushing, Flushing Community Schools and Flushing Township

PURKEY MOVED, seconded by Morford to approve the Recreational Alliance with five (5) year Flushing Area Recreation Plan

DISCUSSION:

Per the information from City of Flushing Business Manager Dennis Bow, the plan has to be reviewed every five (5) years. In order to obtain grants for the municipalities, there has to be a Five Year Flushing Area Recreation Master Plan.

In 1976 the State of Michigan leased property in the Pigeon River Area; twenty-five (25%) percent of the funds were put into a Trust Fund from which the grants are

received drawn. Communities across the state can competitively apply for the grants as long as the items (ball diamonds, schools, parks, etc) are listed in the Master Plan.

Flushing Area Recreational Committee Meetings are held and consist of two (2) representatives from each of the three (3) municipalities on the Recreational Committee. Rowe Inc is the developer of the Master Plan; Flushing Township's share would be approximately \$540.00 per year.

There was discussion regarding trails going through the property owners' back yard. It was debated that if the township didn't kick in and approve the Recreation Plan, Flushing Township might miss out on something that we really need.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, Morford, and Schwieman

NAYS: Noecker and Gardner MOTION CARRIED.

2. Electrical Bids for Flushing Township Hall

GARDNER MOVED, seconded by Noecker to amend the motion to accept the bid from Van Wert Electric for the cost to the township of \$3,876.87 only if Van Wert Electric doesn't accept the job at that price, then the job should be offered to B & W at a price of \$4,544.75.

DISCUSSION:

A background check will have to be completed by the Flushing Township Police Department for the electrical and cleaning service bids.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Minaudo, Purkey, Morford, Noecker, Schwieman, Gardner, and Matzke

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

3. Flushing Township Cleaning Services

NOECKER MOVED, seconded by Purkey to accept the cleaning bid from Jeanine Peel for \$160.00 every two (2) weeks.

DISCUSSION:

A background check will be conducted; liability insurance will have to be provided by Ms. Peel also.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Purkey, Morford, Noecker, Schwieman, Gardner, Matzke, and Minaudo

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

4. Police Chief Search Update

7:50 P.M. – CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

PURKEY MOVED, seconded by Noecker to go into Closed Session in order to discuss Police Chief interviews per MCL 15.268 (f).

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Noecker, Schwieman, Gardner, Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, and Morford

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

8:45 P.M. – RECONVENED FROM CLOSED SESSION

GARDNER MOVED, seconded by Purkey to reconvene from Closed Session.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Schwieman, Gardner, Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, Morford, and Noecker

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

GARDNER MOVED, seconded by Noecker that each Board Member submit to the Clerk tonight at the meeting their top three (3) candidates for the position of Police Chief based on their interview times Number 1 being the earliest appointment and Number 7 starting with the latest appointment; once she sees them, she tallies them up and gives the report to the Board tonight as far as who the top three (3) candidates are who received the most votes.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Gardner, Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, Morford, Noecker, and Schwieman

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

TOP CANDIDATES WERE 3, 4, AND 7 ACCORDING TO THE TOP THREE (3) VOTES.

GARDNER MOVED, seconded by Minaudo that the January 14, 2010 Meeting begin at 6:00 p.m. with the first order of business being interviews with Candidate No. 3, Candidate No. 4, and Candidate No. 7. Prior to that time, background checks should be performed on the individuals.

DISCUSSION:

It was mentioned that the Board should not limit the person to the top three (3) mentioned. Information that would be needed before the meeting would be background checks and all information regarding MERS.

Different dates were discussed as to the time and dates for interviews. The background checks will be handled the same as the resumes. The interim chief will handle the background checks.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, Morford, Noecker, Schwieman, and Gardner

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

1-a. Authorization Institutions

GARDNER MOVED, seconded by Minaudo to accept the Authorized Institutions with the addition of number 10 (First Place Bank), number 11 (West Michigan Community Bank (owned by the same company that owns Davison State Bank and The State Bank (Fenton), and number 12 (Bank of America).

DISCUSSION:

All the additions are FDIC approved. Transactions with West Michigan Community Bank could actually be done through Davison State Bank.

ACTION OF THE MOTION:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Noecker, Schwieman, Gardner, Matzke, Minaudo, Purkey, and Morford

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

8:57 P.M. - PUBLIC COMMENTS OPEN:

One (1) person gave their opinion.

9:00 P.M. - PUBLIC COMMENTS CLOSED

BOARD COMMENTS:

1. **MATZKE** wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
2. **PURKEY** wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year; also felt the three (3) Police Chiefs did great service.
3. **NOECKER** wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
4. **MORFORD** wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
5. **SCHWIEMAN** has talked to the Attorney General’s Office, Sheriff Pickell directed to have the Township Attorney call the Michigan State Police Post Office and Prosecuting Attorney David Leyton’s Office regarding misappropriation of funds. Attorney Moulton had conferred with Lt. Arnold of the Michigan State Police; Sgt Don Gansen has conferred with Prosecuting Attorney Leyton’s Office. It was determined there wasn’t any “misappropriation of funds”.
6. **MORFORD** reminded everyone that their receipt for the 2010 MTA Conference would be in their mail box.

THE NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING IS THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE FLUSHING TOWNSHIP HALL.

ADJOURNMENT: Due to no further business items, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

JULIA A. MORFORD, Clerk

DONALD A SCHWIEMAN, Supervisor

APPROVED DATE: _____
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