

Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings-October 6, 2009

A regular study meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. **Roll Call**

Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Taj, Williams Members Absent: Caccamo Staff Present: Director Faas, Tim Cronin, Jeff Goulet, John Weyer, Pat Nemecek, Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, seconded by Anthony to approve the agenda as amended adding G-1 Confirmation of Appointment of Patrick Nemecek to Public Safety Director, Effective January 2, 2010. Motion carried by all members present. **GENERAL CALENDAR Item 1. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK NEMECEK TO PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2, 2010. (SUPERVISOR)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to approve the appointment of Patrick Nemecek to the position of Public Safety Director, effective January 2, 2010. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to move to study session at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. **STUDY SESSION TOPIC Item 1. Proposed Vacant Property Registration & Maintenance Ordinance No.79** Earlier this year, staff requested our Attorney draft an ordinance for consideration by the Board. During July and August, staff from PSD and MSD made revisions to the proposed ordinance and worked on an implementation strategy. The proposed changes were discussed by the Board and various alternatives were suggested. **Item 2. Subdivision and Condominium Control Ordinance Changes Ordinance changes are required to be consistent with the State Land Division Act and the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (MZEA).** Several changes are proposed to maintain consistency with the Township's Zoning Code. **Item 3. 2009 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments** Various proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance were discussed to provide regulations for residential wind turbines and roof-mounted wind energy turbines; modifications to the requirements for special events and signs associated with special events; modifications from the setbacks from watercourses to accommodate and encourage the use of bio-retention systems for storm water management; modification of the landscaping regulations for storm water and bio-retention facilities and buffer areas along roads; changes and clarifications to the tree removal regulations; modification of the sign regulations relative to open house and garages sale signs ; and changes to the general procedures relative to the Planning Commission and Township Board authority for site plan approval. **Item 4. Future Zoning Ordinance Amendments** Discussion to solicit input from the Board and brainstorm ideas for future Zoning Ordinance amendments. The next Board meeting will be on October 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, 1st Floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. **Adjourn** Motion by Taj, supported by McLaughlin at 8:57 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried by all members present. Trustee's Anthony, Taj and Williams remained following the adjournment of the meeting to participate in a SWAT assessment of communication services facilitated by Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz. The remaining Board has previously participated in the SWAT communication assessment. - Philip LaJoy, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk -

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