

Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – January 24, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist (arrived 6:01 p.m.), Slavens, Sneiderman, Williams Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Meier, Director Trumbull, Kerreen Connelly, Kristin Kolb - Corporation Counsel Motion by Anthony, supported by Sneiderman to move from open session to closed session under section 8(e) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussion of union negotiations. Motion carried unanimously. **6:00 P.M.: CLOSED SESSION – UPDATE ON UNION NEGOTIATIONS** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to move from closed to open session at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneiderman, Williams Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Hohenberger, Director Faas, Director Meier, Director Trumbull Kristin Kolb - Corporation Counsel **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to amend the agenda by moving Item C-1 Reappointments to the Tax Board of Review to General Calendar Item G-0A, moving Item C-2 Appointment to the Tax Board of Review to General Calendar Item G-0B, moving Item C-3 Appointment to the Building Board of Appeals to General Calendar Item G-6 and add to the General Calendar Item G-0C Consideration of Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement between Canton Township and the Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan with a Term Ending December 31, 2019. Per the request of Trustee Graham-Hudak Clerk Siegrist amended his motion to include moving Item C-4 Appointments to the Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage to General Calendar Item G-7. This additional amendment supported by Foster. Motion carried unanimously. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the Board Minutes of January 10, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the Board Minutes of January 17, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** Gina Wilson Steward, President of Western Wayne County NAACP, 10748 West Jefferson, River Rouge, gave an overview of the function of her organization. She explained the WW-NAACP represents the 18 cities west of Detroit. Their monthly meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. – normally at Christian Faith Ministries in Garden City, however once a quarter they meet in one of the 18 cities they represent. The February meeting will be held at St. Clemens Episcopal Church 4300 Harrison Road in Inkster. Follow them on Facebook: Western Wayne County Branch NAACP. Her cell number is 313-949-3133. Supervisor Williams offered use of the township facilities in the Administration Building lower level for one of their meetings. She introduced her intern, Ms. Angel Chantese Frierson, a Canton resident and Precinct 33 - Democrat Delegate. Mike Schultz, 44580 Dionne, commented on Energy Savings potential for the township. He feels the township could save money by having an energy audit done. Director Hohenberger explained the township about 3 ½ years into the first energy performance contract investing 3 million dollars and use the guaranteed savings we would get by implementing new controls, lighting, etc. The Township will be issuing a Request for Proposals within the next few weeks to potentially look at a Phase II. Kathy Filas, commented to the board regarding the Automated Recycling Program. She presented the board copies of the 2013 survey, citing portions that differ from what was stated to the residents at the meeting on January 10, 2017. The survey stated the residents would be willing to pay \$35 for a 48 gallon container. The survey stated the collection company would be investing in new collection trucks, not Canton buying the trucks. She presented tax comparisons to the board of what homeowners pay in their township taxes based on their taxable value. Her figures showed owners of homes valued over \$200,000 had their township taxes lowered from the previous year after the implementation of the Solid Waste tax, while owners of lesser valued homes had them raised. She added there is nothing the survey that speaks to an annual fee. Jim Leddy, 6757 Brookshire, spoke in favor of continuing Wayne County Township Roads Initiative into 2017. They explained the decision to continue this program would be made by the county, not the township. Supervisor Williams explained the final decision has not been made yet. Williams stated he has had two meetings with Mr. Warren Evans in the past. He has a meeting tomorrow, as well as one Friday with Mr. Evans. The final decision rests with the county. Supervisor Williams and Director Faas explained this program is through Wayne County for roads that are within their jurisdiction only. Mr. Leddy would like to see the township initiate a road repair program of our own. **Payment of Bills** Motion by Slavens, supported by Sneiderman to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Reappointments to the Tax Board of Review. (Supv.)** Moved to General Calendar Item G-0A **Item C-2. Appointment to the Tax Board of Review. (Supv.)** Moved to General Calendar Item G-0B **Item C-3. Appointment to the Building Board of Appeals. (MSD)** Moved to General Calendar Item G-6 **Item C-4. Appointments to the Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage. (CLS)** Moved to General Calendar Item G-7 **Item C-5. Consider Request to Reclassify Two Coordinator Positions and Create and Fill the Recreation Specialist – Health & Wellness Position. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to approve the following reclassifications: Recreation Coordinator to Recreation Supervisor-Recreation Division/PAC - Salary Grade 8 Summit Coordinator to Recreation Supervisor-Community Center - Salary Grade 8 and further to create and fill the position of Recreation Specialist – Health & Wellness – Salary Grade 4. Motion carried unanimously. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-0A. Reappointments to the Tax Board of Review. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to approve the reappointments of Carol Richardson, Anthony Rosati, and James Malinowski to the Canton Tax Board of Review for two-year terms to expire on March 1, 2019. Motion failed by vote of 2 to 5. **Item G-0B. Appointment to the Tax Board of Review. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to approve the appointment of Darian Moore to the Canton Tax Board of Review for a two-year term to expire on March 1, 2019. Motion failed by vote of 2 to 5. **Item G-0C. Consideration of Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement between Canton Township and the Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan with a Term Ending December 31, 2019.** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Charter Township of Canton and the Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan (“TPOAM”) with a term ending December 31, 2019, and authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to sign on behalf of Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-1. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Certain Contracts Without the Need for Board Approval. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS WITHOUT THE NEED FOR BOARD REVIEW R E C I T A T I O N S:** As a governmental entity, only the elected Board of Trustees has the authority to contractually bind Canton Township. However, the Township enters into hundreds, if not thousands, of contracts every year and having to take every contract to the Board for approval would take a significant amount of time at the Board meetings. Very often, the contracts have no financial impact on the Township, such as grant agreements where the Township is receiving grant funds for a specific purpose, or nominal financial impact, such as purchase or service contracts where the cost to the Township is less than \$10,000. Additionally, many of these contracts are time sensitive, and need to be executed before they can be brought to the full Board for consideration. Furthermore, the Township's Purchasing Policy, which was updated by the Township Board in December 2015, already addresses the handling of purchases up to \$10,000 without Board approval. In order to improve operational efficiencies and make better use of the Board meeting time, the Supervisor is requesting the Board give him the authority to execute certain categories of contracts identified in this resolution. **NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:** 1. The Township Supervisor and/or Clerk, as appropriate, are hereby authorized to execute all contracts falling in the enumerated categories, without the necessity of obtaining Township Board approval: Grant Agreements, where the Township is the recipient of a grant. Purchase, lease, employment or service contracts where the expenditure by the Township is less than \$10,000. Contracts where the Township is acting as a fiduciary or “pass through” for certain public projects. Stormwater maintenance agreements with property owners/developers where Canton is delegating certain maintenance obligations to a homeowners' association, developer or property owner. Annual permit agreements with Wayne County for pavement restoration work in the public right-of-way. Annual permit agreements with Wayne County for utility work in the public right-of-way. Annual permit agreements with Wayne County for special events in the public right-of-way. Annual permit agreements with MDOT for maintenance in the public right-of-way. Independent contractor agreements for instructors. Rental Agreements for Township facilities and parks. Partner Agreements with arts and performance groups. Agreements with artists for showings. Any contract otherwise exempt from Board review under the Purchasing Policy. Contracts for healthcare plans for Township employees. 2. The provisions of the Township's Purchasing Policy shall still apply, and both this Resolution and the Purchasing Policy shall be deemed to apply to all Township purchases and contracts. **CERTIFICATION** I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 24 day of January, 2017 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will or have been made available as required by said Act. Michael Siegrist, Clerk Dated: January 24, 2017. **Item G-2. Consider Approval of Aspen Ridge Preliminary Site Plan. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Preliminary Site Plan for Aspen Ridge Site Condominiums** WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor, Mr. Jon Goldman, has requested preliminary site plan approval for Aspen Ridge Site Condominiums to be located on Saltz and Beck Roads, identified as tax EDP #068-99-0013-702 and 068-99-0018-000; and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request for grant preliminary site plan approval, as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Jon Goldman, to approve the preliminary site plan for the proposed Aspen Ridge Site Condominiums subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. **Item G-3. Consider Approval of the Purchase of Vehicles for 2017. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to approve the purchase of twenty-two vehicles totaling \$689,987. Motion carried unanimously. Copy of list of vehicles is available in the Clerk's Office during regular business hours. **Item G-4. Consider Authorization of Youth Sports Agreement with Canton Soccer Club. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to authorize the Youth Sports Agreement with the Canton Soccer Club valid one year beginning January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 with the agreement to be signed by the Supervisor. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-5. Network Infrastructure Upgrade. (FBD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to waive the purchasing policy and purchase the Dell Networking Equipment and Services in the amount not to exceed \$83,300 through the Michigan MiDeal contract. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-6. Appointment to the Building Board of Appeals. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to approve the appointment of John Palazollo to the Building Board of Appeals for a two-year term to expire on March 1, 2019. Motion failed by 3 to 4 vote. **Item G-7. Appointments to the Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to approve the re-appointment of Sue Dodson to the Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2019. Motion carried by a vote of 5 to 2. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman approve the appointment of Sommer Foster as the Canton Board of Trustees representative to the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage. Motion carried unanimously. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mr. Hassan Ahmad 50294 Black Horse Lane, stated the third annual MLK Scholarship Essay Contest for Middle and High School students. The topic is Diversity. The scholarships range from \$100 to \$600 will awarded in May 2017. There will be an event on the 27th of January at the Masque from 7-9 p.m. – check their website www.belovedcommunity.us for further details. Referring to Item G-3, resident Kathy Filas asked why the 100,000 mile limit on vehicles. Supervisor Williams explained the cost of maintenance usually exceeds the cost of replacement after this time. This limit has existed for at least 8 years. **OTHER:** None **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Siegrist to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. **Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.