

## Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – October 3, 2017

A regular study session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, October 3, 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 (arrived 6:06 p.m.), Siegrist, Slavens, Sneiderman, Williams Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Faas, Engineering Services Manager – Bill Serchak, Public Works Manager – Bob Belair Staff Absent: Director Hohenberger, Director Meier, Director Trumbull Guests: Bernard Parker III (Wayne County Executive's Office) Elmeka Steele (Interim Deputy Director - Wayne County DPS Environmental Group) Stacy Hissong (Outside Legal Counsel for DPS) Rodney Velez (Outside Engineering Consultant for DPS) Chris Mattson (Outside Engineering Consultant for DPS) **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Anthony, supported by Foster to amend the agenda to add Item 0 – Set Public Hearing Date for Kingfa Science and Technology USA, Industrial Exemption Certificate. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 0:** Set Public Hearing Date for Kingfa Science and Technology USA, Industrial Exemption Certificate. (Supp) Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to set the public hearing for October 24, 2017, to consider the Industrial Facilities Exemption application of Kingfa Science and Technology, USA for real property on Michigan Avenue. **STUDY SESSION: TOPIC 1: County Drains and Assessments (MSD)** Municipal Services Director, Tim Faas, along with the Wayne County DPS Representatives, presented a PowerPoint of Wayne County Drains and Assessments within Canton Township. Copies of the PowerPoint presentation and documents distributed at the meeting are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours, or by contacting the Secretary to the Clerk at 734-394-5120. The audience was informed of the process to handle repairs/maintenance of existing drains and how residents can get involved. Resident Bob Cieslak, 42203 Greenwood, commented on the maintenance and conditions of the Willow Creek and his property bordering it. It was explained to Mr. Cieslak to complete the paperwork to begin the process for Wayne County review. Resident Vanwinkle, 42137 Tonquish Ct, questioned the definition of an "easement". Mr. Vanwinkle also commented on the conditions of the property surrounding the drain that borders his condominium complex. Resident Trame, 42206 Trotwood Ct, commented on the conditions of Willow Creek and the process of getting repairs done on this drain Resident James Pappas, 42253 Hanford, commented on the conditions of a drain near his home and his attempts to get it repaired. Resident Carl Finsel, 42133 Greenwood, commented on the condition of the Willow Creek and how to get large items removed that have been disposed of in the drain. Resident Susan Munn, 7282 Green Meadow, asked how to compile the petitions. Ms. Steele agreed to get that information to Ms. Munn. Ms. Steele agreed to get the information to her local drain managers to check out various drains in the township. More information regarding petitioning drains is available at: <https://www.waynecounty.com/doe/coun-tydrains.htm> or by calling 313-224-3620. Trustee Graham-Hudak inquired how the township can make sure development in the future does not add to the drain problems. Mr. Velez explained the permitting process through Wayne County requires all the reviews and recommendations for drainage be considered before a permit is issued. Director Faas explained the township works closely with the county to ensure proper drainage of a new development. Treasurer Slavens questioned the calculation method to determine the cost of the drain assessments. Mr. Velez explained the code is vague but there are several items that are taken into consideration, including parcel size. Trustee Foster asked if there is a list of drains within the township and who has jurisdiction over each of them. Ms. Steele explained on the list of 42, provided the board at this meeting, all are the jurisdiction of Wayne County. Trustee Sneiderman asked if the board would be faced with decisions, in the near future, regarding drains. Director Faas explained there is nothing currently pending. Supervisor Williams explained they are looking for qualified members for the Board of Determination. Trustee Anthony asked what is the make-up of the Drain Commission. Ms. Steele explained Wayne County Drain Commission consists of a Drain Commissioner, who has jurisdiction over some drains; while other drains are under the jurisdiction of a drainage board. This is defined by the drain code. Most of the drains in Canton are under the jurisdiction of the Drain Commissioner. Trustee Anthony asked how many projects the drain commission has worked on in 2016-2017 and how much they cost. Mr. Velez explained the most recent project in Wayne County had a cost of about \$800,000. Trustee Anthony asked how the recent reconfiguration of drains and assessments has affected the county budget and how the monies have been spent. Clerk Siegrist asked when new development is presented to the township board how is the additional flow of water that development will cause determined. Director Faas explained the runoff is determined by how much runoff the property produced prior to development and that new development is held to this standard. Supervisor Williams explained the 2019 budget will be effected by drains and the board will be asked to look at this and make financial decisions. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** Trustee Foster reminded the board the Roads Task Force will be meeting on Thursday evening, October 5<sup>th</sup> in the boardroom. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Siegrist to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. **Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk** **Pat Williams, Supervisor**

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