

Board Work Session at 6:00 pm, prior to the regular board meeting.

**Muskegon Charter Township (MCT)
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2016**

A. CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Kieft called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the pledge of allegiance.

B. INVOCATION: Given by Clerk Oakes

Present: Hughes, Ream, Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Hernandez, Kieft; **Absent –** None
Also present: Legal Counsel: D. Hughes, Staff: L. Grabinski, DPW Director Sanders, DPW Caughey, DPW Laubach, Fire Chief Glotzbach, Police Chief Sanford, Officer Cheatum. Officer VanDommelen and 29 guests. (County Commissioner Susie Hughes)

This meeting was recorded and labeled the January 19, 2016 regular board meeting.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - It was moved by Treasurer Wood and supported by Trustee Kemp to approve the agenda with two corrections: Agenda - January 19, G. New Business 8. ... 2012 International Property Maintenance Code and the addition of 11. Approval for Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Inspector to attend the Fire Inspector Conference **Motion Carried**

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS ON AGENDA ONLY –

(Supervisor Kieft had each person speak in the order that he received the Public comment request form)

1. Comments on G. New Business 2. - Zone Change:

The following residents gave comments against the zone change from R-1 to C-1 and recommended the Township Board deny the change. The comments included Township Master Plan calls for R -1, increased traffic, would like to remain quiet, low density, neighborhood which gives to each other, safety issue, crime issues, and expressed that a single family development is very feasible, a park or even let them purchase the land for a reasonable price.

1. Ron Hower – 1991 Queens Court
2. Sue Bottcher – 1931 Queens Court
3. Allison R. DeVriendt - 2045 Queens Court
4. Tim DeVriendt – 2045 Queens Court
5. Walt Bischoff – 1871 Queens Court
6. Ron Bordeaux – 1961 Queens Court

They each thanked the Board for the time to speak to this agenda item.

The following comments were made in support of the zone change. They include: a very strong statement regarding being caring, community giving and concerned people, we are not here to change anyone's mind, not here to make anyone's life miserable, concerned about the assumptions/speculations being made regarding this proposed development creating increase crime, lighting problems, traffic problems, negative

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D. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS ON AGENDA ONLY – continued:

impact on how the neighbors give to each other ... we have no statistics to prove/disprove this, we see this proposal as being the best use of the property, the proposal contains a buffer (trees) to protect the houses from any lights that will be installed, even with this proposal the Township can limit what is built now and later.

7. Sam Rice – 47 Ridgewood, Rockford, MI – employee of Redstone

8. Larry Doran – 7499 N. Oceana Dr. Hart, MI

They thanked the Township for time to speak to this agenda item.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes – January 4, 2016
2. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2015
3. Police Department Monthly Report – December 2015
4. Zoning/Planning Annual Report

Supervisor Kieft and Trustee Kemp commended Community Development Zoning/Planning Director L. Grabinski on the good job she did on her annual report. Supervisor Kieft noted that her report shows, she is doing about twice as much work as she did before.

It was moved by Trustee Hughes and supported by Trustee Hernandez to approve the Consent Agenda. **Motion Carried**

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Weekly Check Runs and Total of all Checks – \$ 363,413.71

It was moved by Trustee Kemp and supported by Trustee Hernandez to approve payment of the weekly and semi-weekly bills of \$ 363,413.71 from the appropriate accounts.

7 – Yeas: Hughes, Ream, Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Hernandez, Kieft

0 – Nays Absent: None **Motion Carried**

2. Consideration of Redstone Development Request for Zone Change from R-1 Single Family to C-1 Neighborhood Commercial for Vacant Lot 10-10, Holton Rd.

It was moved by Clerk Oakes and supported by Treasurer Wood to not change the zone from R-1 to C-1. Deny the request. as recommended by the Planning Commission.

6 – Yeas: Ream, Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Hughes, Kieft

1 – Nay: Hernandez Absent: None **Motion Carried**

3. Approval to Purchase Police Cruiser

It was moved by Treasurer Wood and supported by Trustee Kemp to purchase a 2016 Police cruiser from Great LaKes Ford (\$29,548) as presented in our Board packet. This is a Police Committee recommendation.

7 – Yeas: Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Hernandez, Hughes, Ream, Kieft

0 – Nays Absent: None **Motion Carried**

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NEW BUSINESS continued:

4. Approval to Purchase Radar Unit

It was moved by Supervisor Kieft and supported by Trustee Hernandez to purchase a radar unit for a total cost of \$1,610 as presented in our Board packet. This is a Police Committee recommendation.

7 – Yeas: Wood, Kemp, Hernandez, Hughes, Ream, Oakes, Kieft

0 – Nays Absent: None **Motion Carried**

5. Approval to Fill Full-Time Police Officer Position

It was moved by Clerk Oakes and supported by Trustee Ream to hire Gary Cheatum to fill the full-time police officer position, effective February 1, 2016. This is a Police Committee recommendation. Treasurer Wood commented that Officer Cheatum comes to us with lots of experience and looks forward to him working full time for us.

Trustee Ream noted that Officer Cheatum comes highly recommended by County Commissioner Ben Cross. Supervisor Kieft thanked Chief Sanford and the team of officers who conducted the interviews and noted that Officer Cheatum worked for us in Code enforcement and did a good job.

7 – Yeas: Kemp, Hernandez, Hughes, Ream, Oakes, Wood, Kieft

0 – Nays Absent: None **Motion Carried**

6. Approval to Purchase Sanitation Carts

It was moved by Trustee Hernandez and supported by Supervisor Kieft to approve the purchase of sanitation carts at a cost not to exceed \$15,875.

7 – Yeas: Hernandez, Hughes, Ream, Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Kieft

0 – Nays Absent: None **Motion Carried**

7. Resolution No. 16-02 – Adoption of Ordinance No. 15-08 – Rezone Property at 1300 Hitehall Rd. from C-1, Neighborhood Commercial to M, Commercial/Industrial

It was moved by Trustee Kemp and supported by Treasurer Wood to adopt Resolution No. 16-02 the adoption of Ordinance No. 15-08.

7 – Yeas: Hughes, Ream, Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Hernandez, Kieft

0 – Nays Absent: None **Motion Carried**

8. Resolution No. 16-03 – Introduction of Ordinance No. 16-01- Adoption of 2012 Michigan Building Code, 2012 International Energy Conservation Code, 2012 Michigan Rehabilitation Code, 2015 Michigan Residential Code, ~~2102~~ 2012 International Property Maintenance Code

It was moved by Trustee Hughes and supported by Treasurer Wood to approve Resolution No. 16-03 the introduction of Ordinance No. 16-01. Treasurer Wood noted that before the final adoption of this ordinance, we would like Community Development/Zoning/Planning Director Grabinski and Attorney Hughes office to work on a way that allows the Board to update these Codes by Resolution or other means.

7 – Yeas: Ream, Oakes, Wood, Kemp, Hernandez, Hughes, Kieft

0 – Nays Absent: None **Motion Carried**

