

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, MARCH 21ST, 2016

PRESENT:	ROBERT J. CANNON	SUPERVISOR
	KIM MELTZER	CLERK
	WILLIAM SOWERBY	TREASURER
	PAUL GIELEGHEM	TRUSTEE
	KENNETH PEARL	TRUSTEE
	DEAN REYNOLDS	TRUSTEE
	JENIFER WEST	TRUSTEE

ABSENT: NONE

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Township Board Chambers, Clinton Township Civic Center. Also in attendance was Mr. Jack Dolan, Township Attorney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Meltzer requested the following additions to tonight's agenda:

- Item #18a - Request to Participate in County's Proposed Temporary Fix in Smokler Subdivision
- Item #20 - Request to Attend National Association of Floodplain Managers Conference
- Item #21 - Request to Attend IMAGIN 25th Annual Conference
- Item #22 - Request to Purchase Hide Side Utility Trailer for DPW

Ms. Meltzer requested the following deletion to tonight's agenda:

- Item #12 - Recommendation of Personnel Vacancy Review Committee

Ms. Meltzer requested that, out of courtesy for one of the petitioners here this evening, she requested that the order of some of the items be moved as follows:

- Item #18 be moved to Item #1
- Item #18a be moved to Item #1a
- Item #1 be moved to Item #1c

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to approve the agenda with the addition of Items #18a, #20, #21 and #22, the deletion of Item #12, and the

revision to the order of items as requested. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Reynolds, Gielegem, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

1. RECOMMENDATION ON TOWNSHIP PARTICIPATION IN PAVING 19 MILE FROM HAYES TO ROMEO PLANK (FORMERLY “ITEM #18”)

Mr. Robert Hoepfner, Director of the Macomb County Department of Roads, explained that 19 Mile Road is in bad shape and to delay this project will make it worse. He noted that the Department of Roads received a special allocation through State Legislature and decided to spend a portion of that on 19 Mile Road. He replied to inquiry that it will not be a complete rebuild, and he compared it to what was done on 23 Mile Road between Chesterfield and Fairchild Roads, where they ground off three inches, batch filled concrete slabs and resurfaced with a “super pave” asphalt mixture. Mr. Hoepfner indicated they will match the curb so the curb will remain the way it is. He replied to inquiry that it can be expected to last 10 to 15 years, and added that this is the best paving mixture available.

Mr. Pearl inquired as to the composition of the base under 19 Mile Road.

Mr. Hoepfner replied it is Macomb County clay underneath, but there is an aggregate base on top, and there is a nine-inch layer of concrete.

Mr. Pearl understood that they use high standards in their paving mixture.

Mr. Hoepfner reiterated this is the best, and he was confident it will work well on 19 Mile Road.

Mr. Reynolds inquired as to whether 19 Mile Road is considered a primary road.

Mr. Hoepfner replied affirmatively.

Mr. Reynolds recalled that, at one time, the Macomb County Road Commission took care of all primary roads, but it is no longer possible for them to do so without some type of help from the local communities. He inquired as to whether Mr. Hoepfner feels it will ever go back to the County paying 100%.

Mr. Hoepfner replied it may be a possibility in 2024 when the total amount of dollars designated for road improvements is released; however, it is difficult to know whether that will be a sufficient amount, so he does not anticipate they will reach that point when the Department of Roads can pay 100%.

Mr. Reynolds inquired as to whether Mr. Hoepfner can think of any reason why they would come back to the Township for more money for this project if they run into an unforeseen problem.

Mr. Hoepfner replied the Township will not be required to pay any more than their one-time installment of \$334,316 because he capped off their amount.

Mr. Cannon stated the money allocated for the roads is what they would need today but they have to wait five years to receive it, and that amount will not even begin to touch what will be needed at the end of the five-year period. He felt Lansing has failed the local communities, and he expressed irritation that the State did not give the Department of Roads the money to take care of the Township's primary roads.

Mr. Gielegghem stated he drove to Lansing this morning, and listened to complaining on the radio about that very thing. He understood that the amount they actually received this year from the State would only be enough to pave one mile of a two-lane road. The bulk of the money will not be received for another few years. He stressed he is in favor of this project and understands the dire need because of the road's disrepair. Mr. Gielegghem commented that this, however, "seems like a scattered approach", and he questioned whether the Department of Roads has a list of primary roads under their jurisdiction and a ranking as to when these roads can be anticipated to be completed.

Mr. Hoepfner stated there is a call to release the money for 2018 through 2020, and the request was for 65 projects worth \$165 million.

Mr. Gielegghem inquired as to how much of that is for the expansion of roads in the northern part of the county to go from two-lane roads to five-lane roads, as compared to the repair of existing roads.

Mr. Hoepfner stated they have plans to connect 23 Mile across, and this is included in the plans, although it will be done in segments over the years. He indicated they are starting to refocus on repairing what they already have.

Mr. Gielegghem felt the infrastructure needs to be in place, and he inquired as to whether they have a schedule.

Mr. Hoepfner projected they will be working on Garfield from Millar to 17 Mile Road, Hayes from 19 Mile to Hall Road, as well as another mile on Garfield. He replied that these projects are proposed to be done this year. He added that he has a listing that is ranked according to how the Department of Roads views it, but it is not a decision solely made by the Macomb County Department of Roads. He stated they will be making recommendations the first week of April.

Mr. Cannon stated he often consults with Mr. Santia, Director of Planning and Community Development, because of his expertise in this area.

Mr. Hoepfner explained that they have approached a number of communities and everyone has stepped up to partially pay for these repairs/improvements.

Mr. Gieleghem stated that the Township has no line item for replacement of primary roads or receiving money for primary roads because the County receives Public Act 51 monies for that purpose. Because the County receives the Township's share of those dollars, Mr. Gieleghem added that the Township is at the County's mercy with regard to the repair and improvement of the roads. He was glad they can provide input, but he would like to know if this is going to be a continual process to pay for this, and how they can compete for those dollars.

Mr. Hoepfner stated that if they want to remain competitive with other communities, they have to offer a match. He added that cities are asked to pay 50%. He also indicated the Township should be thankful they do not live adjacent to I-75 because those neighboring communities are asked to contribute a large amount of money to that as well.

Mr. Gieleghem stated he would like to see a schedule and what they will be asking in the way of dollars from the communities. He thanked Mr. Hoepfner for coming before the Board tonight.

Mr. Hoepfner assured he will provide a proposed schedule and estimated costs.

Mr. Pearl stated he has heard complaints about 19 Mile Road for a long time and is in favor of going forward with this repair.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated March 14th, 2016 from the Township Supervisor and approve the Township's participation with the Macomb County Department of Roads in the repaving of 19 Mile Road from Hayes to Romeo Plank Road, with the Township to pay \$334,316 in a one-time installment, which amounts to 10% of the cost of the project; further, this amount is capped, and the project will be completed this summer. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Hoepfner replied to inquiry that this will be completed as one project this summer, although he cannot give a start date at this point.

Mr. Cannon noted that the hospital and the school are concerned about the timing of the project.

Mr. Hoepfner assured he is aware of their concerns because they have talked to him. He explained that it is being bid as a county-wide asphalt paving program

and it will be bid out sometime this summer. He replied to further inquiry that once it is done, they can drive on it quickly.

Mr. Sowerby inquired as to whether Mr. Hoepfner can talk about next year's plans for Hall Road and how this project will be impacted by that.

Mr. Hoepfner replied that the traffic on 19 Mile Road will be greatly impacted next year when Hall Road is being repaired.

Mr. Cannon explained that Hall Road will be repaved next year, which will cause a diversion of traffic to 19 Mile Road, so it is important to get that road in better repair now. Mr. Cannon inquired as to whether the Department of Roads also intends to work on Romeo Plank from 21-1/2 Mile to 23 Mile Road this summer.

Mr. Hoepfner replied they will not be working on that project this summer, noting that they have to conduct an environmental study first. He estimated that project may begin next year, and informed that Macomb Township will be paying for 50% of that project. Mr. Hoepfner reminded that Clinton Township will be paying only 10% of the 19 Mile Road project.

Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Reynolds, Gielegem, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer.
Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

1a. REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN COUNTY'S PROPOSED TEMPORARY FIX IN SMOKLER SUBDIVISION (FORMERLY "ITEM #18a")

Mr. Cannon felt that everyone on this Board is familiar with the original estimate for the paving project in the Smokler-Clinton Subdivision; however, that estimate was not correct and the project was not done. He explained that the Macomb County Department of Roads is willing to put a 2-inch asphalt overlay on Cimmaron from 18 Mile Road north to Bayham and Bayham east to the entrance of Miami Elementary School if the Township is willing to pay 50% of this cost. Mr. Cannon further explained that it will not address all of the problems in the entire subdivision, nor will this be a permanent solution. He felt, however, that it will address some of the immediate safety concerns. He hoped that the residents of the Smokler-Clinton Subdivision decide what they want to do on a long-term basis because this is only a temporary fix, although he reiterated it will be providing a safe transport to and from the school.

Mr. Sowerby inquired as to what they can expect with this construction project.

Mr. Hoepfner replied they will be sweeping it, raising the manhole catch basins in the pavement by 2 inches, and will be putting a 2-inch overlay on the road. He replied to further inquiry that they will not be grinding down the existing cement but they will be laying down 2 inches so it can drain. He noted that they did the

same thing on Automation Drive and he claimed it has performed tremendously for a few years. He hoped this will serve as a temporary fix until the residence can approve a Special Assessment District (SAD).

Mr. Sowerby inquired as to whether the work being done in Charter Oaks and the work proposed for 19 Mile Road are both long-term fixes.

Mr. Hoepfner replied affirmatively, reminding that this project in the Smokler-Clinton Subdivision is temporary. He estimated the entire project as proposed will take a couple of days to complete once they start on it.

Ms. Meltzer stated she was going to inquire as to the time frame for this project. She felt that anyone who feels the Township is singling out this area because of some type of “favoritism” should drive down this street. She felt an unpaved road would actually be more conducive for driving on than the road in its current condition.

Mr. Gieleghem felt this will provide the residents with a temporary fix while the residents work on other alternatives.

Mr. Pearl claimed the water is sitting under the pavement and it is destroying the concrete.

Mr. Hoepfner clarified that this is a “bare-bones fix” and it will need to be addressed by the property owners in that subdivision.

Mr. Robert Campbell, 41830 Kentvale, Clinton Township, Michigan 48038, expressed his support of the proposed project, and felt it is a positive move. He felt it shows the Township officials are committed to addressing the road problems here in the Township, and that the County has some money available they are willing to donate for this. He recalled some talk about a Special Assessment District (SAD) being their only option, but after the Department of Road’s mistaken estimate a couple of years ago and the fact that they now have some money, he did not feel the homeowners in that neighborhood will ever approve an SAD. He recalled reading the Macomb Daily where they made mention of a possible “road millage” to keep the roads in good repair and preserve the values of the homes in the Township. He felt the market is improving and they need to do these infrastructure improvements. Mr. Campbell pointed out that the Fire and Police millages were passed by the residents, which indicates to him that they are open to something like this. He hoped the Township Board will support this proposal for the temporary fix in a portion of their subdivision, and he encouraged them to address the infrastructure improvements in the Township.

Mr. Lester Nevins, 41842 Kentvale, Clinton Township, Michigan 48038, stated he is a neighbor of Mr. Campbell. He explained that he is a “victim” of Cimmaron, having suffered a tire blowout on that street. He was aware that Township funds are short, but he stated he has the bill for the repair and questioned whether it is something for which he can receive reimbursement from the Township or the County. He claimed he pays a lot of taxes, and inquired as to whether they will consider paying for his tire.

Mr. Cannon stated he lost two tires last year as a result of the condition of the roads, and explained the Township cannot reimburse for tires.

Mr. Nevins felt there should be a fund for that purpose.

Mr. Cannon commented that he has had many telephone calls from residents who have lost tires on 19 Mile Road, but he stressed that they will be going forward and repairing it this year.

Mr. Nevins inquired as to why the Department of Roads does not plan on grinding these local roads down first.

Mr. Cannon replied they are trying to keep the costs down.

Mr. Nevins felt it does not sound like the residents will “get much value from this” but he appreciated the effort and consideration by the Board and the Department of Roads.

Motion by Mr. Reynolds, supported by Mr. Pearl, to receive and file the letter dated March 14th, 2016 from the Township Supervisor and approve the Township’s participation in a 50/50 cost share proposal with the Macomb County Department of Roads for a 2-inch asphalt overlay on Cimarron from 18 Mile north to Bayham, and Bayham east to the entrance of Miami Elementary School, with the Township’s one-time installment being \$97,250, which is capped. Roll Call: Ayes – Reynolds, Pearl, Gielegem, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

1c. RECOMMENDATION ON CDBG FUNDS FOR 2016-2017 PROGRAM YEAR (FORMERLY “ITEM #1”)

Motion by Mr. Gielegem, supported by Ms. West, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated March 14th, 2016 from the Chairman of the Budget/Ways & Means Committee, and approve the Community Development Block Grant 2016-17 Program Year Funding Allocation as recommended. Roll Call: Ayes – Gielegem, West, Reynolds, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

2. REQUEST APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY STORAGE FOR LOWE'S #1716

Mr. Cannon commented that they have never had any problems with this temporary storage at this facility in previous years.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Gielegghem, to receive and file the letter from Mr. Roy Chapiewski, Store Manager of Lowes #1716, and approve the request for temporary outdoor storage of palletized bag goods, as outlined in the correspondence. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Gielegghem, Reynolds, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

3. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY OUTDOOR TENT PERMIT – MAY 17TH, 2016 THROUGH MAY 31ST, 2016 AND JULY 27TH, 2016 THROUGH AUGUST 17TH, 2016 – ART VAN FURNITURE – 33801 GRATIOT

Mr. Cannon noted that they have not had any problems with previous tent sales at Art Van, and he added that the second tent sale will be taking place at the same time as the Gratiot Cruise. He added that Art Van has been a big supporter of that event in the past.

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive and file the letter dated March 1st, 2016 from Mr. Paul J. Evola, Store Manager of Art Van Furniture at 33801 Gratiot Avenue, and approve the request for an outdoor tent permit for May 17th through May 31st, 2016, and for July 27th through August 17th, 2016 for their upcoming tent sales at this location, as outlined in the correspondence. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Reynolds, Gielegghem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

4. REQUEST FOR OUTDOOR GARDEN DISPLAY – KMART #4405

Mr. Barry Miller, Building Department Superintendent, replied to inquiry that they have had no problems with this display in the past.

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Sowerby, to receive and file the letter dated March 5th, 2016 from Ms. Laura Schultz, Store Manager of Kmart #4405, 34800 Groesbeck, and approve the request for an outdoor garden display as outlined, with everything taken down by the last week of July. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Sowerby, Reynolds, Gielegghem, Pearl, Cannon, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

5. SITE DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL FOR DISCOUNT TIRE PARKING ADDITION: LOTS 69-70, 79-80, PIPER'S BROAD ACRES SUBDIVISION (SECTION 34), LOCATED BETWEEN COLMAN AND WEBSTER, WEST OF GRATIOT, ADDRESSED AS 20850 COLMAN AND VACANT ON COLMAN AND WEBSTER

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. West, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated March 3rd, 2016 from the Secretary of the Clinton Township Planning Commission, concerning the Site Development Plan for Discount Tire Parking Addition, to be located on Lots 69-70 and 79-80, Piper's Broad Acres Subdivision (Section 34), generally located between Colman and Webster, west of Gratiot, and approve the Site Development Plan as submitted. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, West, Reynolds, Gielegem, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

6. SPECIAL LAND USE: A FAST-FOOD RESTAURANT WITH DRIVE-THRU IN THE B-3 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN: CHECKER'S FAST-FOOD RESTAURANT: 0.50 ACRE OF LAND FRONTING THE WEST LINE OF HARPER AVENUE, NORTH OF 15 MILE ROAD (SECTION 26), ADDRESSED AS 35105 HARPER AVENUE

Motion by Mr. Sowerby, supported by Ms. West, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated March 3rd, 2016 from the Secretary of the Clinton Township Planning Commission, concerning the Special Land Use Request for a fast-food restaurant with drive-thru in the B-3 General Business District and the Site Development Plan for Checker's Fast-Food Restaurant, to be located on 0.50 acre of land fronting the west line of Harper Avenue, north of 15 Mile Road (Section 26), addressed as 35105 Harper Avenue, and approve the Special Land Use and Site Development Plan as submitted. Roll Call: Ayes – Sowerby, West, Reynolds, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

7. SPECIAL LAND USE: A MASSAGE THERAPY FACILITY IN THE OS-1 OFFICE/SERVICE DISTRICT (BODY AND SOUL THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE @ MICHAEL R. FOSTER MEDICAL & PROFESSIONAL BUILDING): 1.05 ACRE OF LAND FRONTING THE WEST LINE OF GARFIELD ROAD, NORTH OF FESTIAN (SECTION 30), ADDRESSED AS 35555 GARFIELD ROAD, SUITE 3A

Ms. Katie Decent, applicant, explained that she has been a massage therapist for five years. She had worked closely with the previous owner of the facility, who passed away. Ms. Decent noted that she took the opportunity to sign the lease so she could operate her business from this location, and she hopes to open as soon as she receives approval from the Township.

Ms. Meltzer reminded Ms. Decent that she has to comply with the licensing requirements.

Ms. Decent replied that she applied for and received her approval through the Township. She added that her liability insurance is also paid.

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated February 29th, 2016 from the Secretary of the Clinton Township Planning Commission, regarding the proposed Special Land Use being a massage therapy facility in the OS-1 Office/Service District (Body and Soul Therapeutic Massage @ Michael R. Foster Medical & Professional Building), located on part of 1.05 acre of land fronting the west line of Garfield Road, north of Festian (Section 30), addressed as 35555 Garfield Road, Suite 3A, and approve the Special Land Use for Body and Soul Therapeutic Massage @ Michael R. Foster Medical & Professional Building in the OS-1 Office/Service District, as submitted, subject to the petitioner obtaining all of the required licensing. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Reynolds, Gielegghem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

8. SPECIAL LAND USE: A RETAIL FACILITY WITH DRIVE-THRU WINDOW IN THE B-3 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND SITE DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL FOR KENSINGTON COMMUNITY CHURCH PHASE II – RETAIL (2ND DRIVE-THRU WINDOW): 2.09 (PART OF 33.08) ACRES OF LAND FRONTING THE SOUTH LINE OF HALL ROAD (M-59), EAST OF GRATIOT AVENUE (SECTION 1)

Mr. Santia replied to inquiry that this is the second drive-thru window at this location. The first one was committed for Starbucks and this one may be for a Panera Bread location, although that has not been finalized at this point.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Gielegghem, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated February 29th, 2016 from the Secretary of the Clinton Township Planning Commission, regarding a Special Land Use Request for a retail facility with a drive-thru window in the B-3 General Business District and a Revised Site Development Plan for Kensington Community Church Phase II – Retail (addition of second drive-thru window), to be located on 2.09 acres (part of 33.08 acres) of land located fronting the south line of Hall Road/Wm. Rosso Highway (M-59), east of Gratiot Avenue (Section 1), and approve the Special Land Use and Revised Site Development Plan as submitted. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Gielegghem, Reynolds, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

9. CONDITIONAL ZONING TO PERMIT ETON CAPITAL SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY (FORMERLY PROPOSED AS REZONING FROM SP-1 & R-3 TO RMH): 11 ACRES OF LAND (3 PARCELS COMBINED) FRONTING THE WEST LINE OF UTICA ROAD, SOUTH OF METROPOLITAN PARKWAY, ADDRESSED AS 36455, 36505 & 36607 UTICA ROAD (SECTION 30)

Mr. Sowerby inquired as to the type of residences the petitioner intends to build in this development.

Mr. Joe D'Angelo, petitioner, stated that his attorney is also present this evening. He explained that he intends to construct, through a conditional zoning agreement, free-standing ranch units. He noted that Oakmont Assisted Living Facility is to the north of this property, the new Huron Academy is to the south, Freedom Hill is to the west, and Steeplechase Condominiums are located across Utica Road to the east. He felt the proposed development will be congruent with the Steeplechase development. Mr. D'Angelo stressed that he could have gotten more units if this property was designed with duplexes, but these are going to be marketed for empty-nesters and they do not generally like stairs. He replied to inquiry that they will be all brick construction. He was confident that these will fit in nicely in this community.

Mr. Sowerby inquired as to whether they will be excavated.

Mr. D'Angelo replied that they will all have basements and two-car attached garages. He replied to further inquiry that there will be 45 units, and they are ready to contract the traffic study upon approval of this plan.

Mr. Sowerby commented that this sounds great.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated February 25th, 2016 from the Secretary of the Clinton Township Planning Commission, regarding the proposed Conditional Zoning Agreement and Site Development Plan for Eton Capital Single-Family Residential Community, to be located on 11 acres of land fronting the west line of Utica Road, south of Metropolitan Parkway (Section 30), addressed as 36455 Utica Road, 36505 Utica Road and 36607 Utica Road, currently zoned as SP-1 Special Purpose (Nursing Homes) and R-3 One-Family Residential District, and approve the Conditional Zoning Agreement and the Site Development Plan, as submitted; subject to the petitioner paying for a traffic study to determine if there needs to be an additional traffic light along Utica Road. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Reynolds, Gielegem, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

10. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF SENIOR CENTER EXERCISE EQUIPMENT

Motion by Mr. Reynolds, supported by Ms. West, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated March 16th, 2016 from the Chairperson of the Budget/Ways & Means Committee, and approve the purchase of a new Senior Center Weight Machine from the low bidder, Exercise Warehouse, at a total cost of \$4,304.58, which includes freight, delivery, installation and removal of the old machine; further, this is to be paid with monies from the Senior Center's fundraising efforts. Roll Call: Ayes – Reynolds, West, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

11. APPROVAL TO HIRE TWO (2) REPLACEMENT FIRE FIGHTERS

Mr. Cannon confirmed that these positions are included in the budget.

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Pearl, to receive and file the letter dated March 4th, 2016 from the Fire Chief, and approve the hiring of two new firefighters, Mr. Nicholas Jenuwine and Mr. Matthew Myers, with a tentative start date of March 28th, 2016, which begins their two-week orientation period; further, this approval is contingent upon successful completion of a departmental physical. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Pearl, Reynolds, Gielegem, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

12. RECOMMENDATION OF PERSONNEL VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE

This item was deleted from tonight's agenda.

13. APPOINTMENT TO ARBORETUM COMMITTEE

Mr. Cannon commented that Mr. Don Green, who is resigning from the Arboretum Committee, has been a "jewel" for Clinton Township. He added that Mr. Green has been involved with many projects in the Township, and they all get completed when he is involved. Mr. Cannon was confident that Mr. Green will still be serving in an advisory capacity. He also commended Mr. Green's wife, Myra, who has also been an outstanding member of the community just like her husband.

Mr. Sowerby commented that if he can have the kind of passion and enthusiasm demonstrated by Mr. Green, he will be thankful. He felt Mr. Green has been a godsend to the community.

Ms. Meltzer appreciated Mr. Green's dedication and involvement, but also his intelligence that he demonstrated.

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive and file the letter dated March 9th, 2016 from the Administrative Aide, and appoint Mr. Joe Peruzzi to the Arboretum Committee to serve through October 13th, 2018, which is the remainder of Mr. Donald Green's term, who recently resigned from the Committee. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Reynolds, Gielegghem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

14. APPOINTMENT TO THE HOUSING COMMISSION

Mr. Cannon stated his appreciation for Ms. West's willingness to serve on this Commission, and he added he would like to recommend her reappointment.

Motion by Mr. Reynolds, supported by Mr. Gielegghem, to receive and file the letter dated March 9th, 2016 from the Administrative Aide, concur with the Township Supervisor's recommendation, and reappoint Ms. Joie West to the Housing Commission for a five-year term expiring on January 3rd, 2021. Roll Call: Ayes – Reynolds, Gielegghem, Pearl, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

15. APPOINTMENT TO THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Gielegghem, to receive and file the letter dated March 15th, 2016 from the Administrative Aide, and appoint Mr. James W. Potter, Jr., to the Cultural Diversity Committee, with term to expire November 30th, 2018; further, the remaining open term will be posted for an additional sixty (60) days. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Gielegghem, Reynolds, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

16. REQUEST APPROVAL FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAINING

Motion by Mr. Reynolds, supported by Mr. Gielegghem, to receive and file the letter dated March 21st, 2016 from the Police Chief, and approve the request for Lt. James Stachowski to attend the 2016 FBINAA Annual Training Conference and Exhibition from Saturday, July 23rd to Tuesday, July 26th, 2016, to be held in St. Louis, Missouri, as outlined in the correspondence. Roll Call: Ayes – Reynolds, Gielegghem, Pearl, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

17. UPDATE DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES RESOLUTION

Mr. Sowerby explained that this is a reconfirmation of the Township's depositories. He noted that they have added a couple this year: DFCU Financial Credit Union and Robinson Capital Management LLC. He noted that there have been some changes in the banking industry, which will result in some name

changes. He informed that Talmer Bank has been purchased by Chemical Bank, and Huntington Bank merged with FirstMerit Bank. Mr. Sowerby clarified that at this point, Talmer Bank and FirstMerit Bank are still separate entities.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive, file and approve the Charter Township of Clinton Designation of Depositories Resolution as presented. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Reynolds, Gielegem, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

18. RECOMMENDATION ON TOWNSHIP PARTICIPATION IN PAVING 19 MILE FROM HAYES TO ROMEO PLANK

This item was moved to Item #1.

18a. REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN COUNTY'S PROPOSED TEMPORARY FIX IN SMOKLER SUBDIVISION

This item was moved to Item #1a.

19. REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Mr. Cannon stated that this Closed Session is for information only and they will not be reconvening following the Closed Session.

Motion by Mr. Reynolds, supported by Ms. West, to schedule a Closed Session immediately following tonight's meeting for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. Roll Call: Ayes – Reynolds, West, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

20. REQUEST TO ATTEND NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FLOODPLAIN MANAGERS CONFERENCE

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive and file the letter dated March 14th, 2016 from the Director of Public Services, and approve her request to attend the National Association of Floodplain Managers Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan during the week of June 19th through 24th, 2016, which is included in the 2016-2017 budget and a \$525 FEMA scholarship helps to offset the overall cost. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Reynolds, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

21. REQUEST TO ATTEND IMAGIN 25TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Reynolds, to receive and file the letter dated March 15th, 2016 from the Director of Public Services, and approve the

request for the Township's GIS Specialist, Ms. Magdalena DiFranco, to attend the IMAGIN 2016 Annual Educational Conference in Traverse City, Michigan from May 15th through 17th, 2016, which is included in the 2016-2017 budget. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Reynolds, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

22. REQUEST TO PURCHASE HIDE SIDE UTILITY TRAILER FOR DPW

Motion by Mr. Sowerby, supported by Ms. West, to receive and file the letter dated March 15th, 2016 from the Director of Public Services and approve the purchase of a replacement High Side Utility Trailer from the low bidder, Shores Trailer, for a total of \$1,385.35, which is not a budgeted item although there is available money in the Public Works budget. Roll Call: Ayes – Sowerby, West, Reynolds, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 7TH, 2016 REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Motion by Mr. Gielegem, supported by Mr. Pearl, to approve the minutes of the March 7th, 2016 Regular Township Board Meeting as presented. Roll Call: Ayes – Gielegem, Pearl, Reynolds, Cannon, West, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion by Mr. Reynolds, supported by Ms. West, to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call: Ayes – Reynolds, West, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, Sowerby, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Reynolds, supported by Ms. Meltzer, to adjourn the meeting and go into Closed Session. Roll Call: Ayes – Reynolds, Meltzer, Gielegem, Pearl, Cannon, West, Sowerby. Nays - None. Absent – None. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KIM MELTZER, CLERK
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON

ces:03/27/16