

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON**  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2017**

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| <b>PRESENT:</b> | <b>ROBERT J. CANNON</b> | <b>SUPERVISOR</b> |
|                 | <b>KIM MELTZER</b>      | <b>CLERK</b>      |
|                 | <b>PAUL GIELEGHEM</b>   | <b>TREASURER</b>  |
|                 | <b>JOE A. ARAGONA</b>   | <b>TRUSTEE</b>    |
|                 | <b>MIKE KEYS</b>        | <b>TRUSTEE</b>    |
|                 | <b>KENNETH PEARL</b>    | <b>TRUSTEE</b>    |
|                 | <b>JENIFER WEST</b>     | <b>TRUSTEE</b>    |

**ABSENT: NONE**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:00 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**

Mr. Cannon said that there were no additions or deletions to this Agenda and it was a special meeting that was called for this single item.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. West, to approve the agenda as submitted. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, West, Aragona, Keys, Cannon, Gieleghem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**1. REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION: GRANT AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE MDOT CONTRACT FOR M-59 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – ADDED WORK TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAST ARMS AND HMA STAMPED CROSSWALKS**

Mr. Cannon thanked Mr. Carlo Santia for his work in getting M-59 paved from Hayes to Romeo Plank. Part will be done this year and there will be an extra lane in the construction area so three lanes will be open for traffic.

Mr. Santia said that on November 28 and December 12, 2016 the Board acted to approve asphalt cross walks and traffic signal improvements. The original estimate for the work was \$368,000 and the revised estimate is \$356,700. The proposed contract with MDOT needs to be executed to proceed with requested improvements. The Board needs to have a resolution approving the Clerk and Supervisor as the authorized parties to sign the contract documents.

Mr. Dolan said that he worked with Mr. Santia and they did try to dialog with MDOT to make some changes. MDOT's position was that the Township needed to accept the contract language without any changes. The work being done falls under their jurisdiction, not the Township's so he suggested some changes with regard to that. He does recommend approval tonight.

Mr. Keys asked if Utica has adopted the resolution and if they are using their own funds.

Mr. Cannon said that MDOT is working with them to secure funding.

Mr. Santia said that it has been adopted.

Mr. Cannon stated that there was a deal worked out which Sterling Heights will be paying Utica's portion. He has no further details.

Mr. Dolan explained that some of the changes we wanted was excess language relating to our responsibilities and governmental immunity. Some communities have jurisdiction over certain roads and highways. MDOT, the County and some cities get funding. Townships do not therefore, some of the language was already statute and unnecessary. He also felt the funding mechanism was a little unfair. They want us to prepay for our portion of the project. We have never had to pay in advance previously.

Mr. Aragona asked what happens with extra \$14,000 that was over estimated.

Mr. Cannon said it goes back into the General Fund.

Mrs. Meltzer asked if we are in any other combined commitment.

Mr. Cannon said that we are not. He said MDOT plans to complete the project from Dalcoma to Romeo Plank. They will work as long as they can, weather permitting.

Mr. Santia noted that this is still an estimate and we will be billed for actual costs. The good thing is this estimate is significantly lower than the original. One thing that was taken out of the contract was the maintenance in the crosswalks because that is not our responsibility.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Aragona to approve the resolution granting authorization to the Township Clerk and Township Supervisor to execute MDOT Contract #16-5458 for M-59 Road improvements – added work traffic signal mast arms and HMA stamped crosswalks as presented by the Township Supervisor. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Aragona, Keys, Cannon, West, Gieleghem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

Mr. Cannon thanked all of the board members for taking time out of their schedule to make it tonight.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Gielegem, supported by Ms. West, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call: Ayes – Gielegem, West, Aragona, Keys, Pearl, Cannon, Meltzer. Nays - None. Absent – None. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KIM MELTZER, CLERK  
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