

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018**

<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 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 stated there are four deletions to tonight's agenda:

3. Site Development Plan: Zoran Utica Duplexes – Lots 119 through 132, Mabarek Park Subdivision, located east of Utica Road, north of Coral Avenue and south of Edsel Drive (Section 30)
6. Approval of Appointment to Office Clerk II Position – Clerk's Office
13. Zone 6 Manhole Rehab Change in Scope
24. Approval of Closed Session Minutes from September 17, 2018 Regular Township Board Meeting

Ms. Meltzer stated there are two additions to tonight's agenda:

23. Resolution Recognizing October 2018 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month
25. Resolution Opposing Senate Bill 637 – Wireless Communication Providers and Facilities

Ms. Meltzer requested to move Item #23 to Item #1, noting the petitioner is here and must go to work tonight.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Keys, to approve the agenda with the deletion of Items #3, #6, #13 and #24, the addition of Items #23 and #25, and moving Item #23 to Item #1. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Keys, West, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**1. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2018 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH (FORMERLY ITEM #23)**

Ms. Meltzer introduced Mr. Dan Spatafora, a Clinton Township resident, member of the Township's Planning Commission and is involved with Beaumont Hospital.

Mr. Dan Spatafora is here in his capacity with Beaumont Health as the Regional Manager for Government Relations and Community Affairs, and he is out of Beaumont Hospital Troy, where they have a very active domestic violence committee. He stressed they are thrilled that the Board is recognizing the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month on a local level. He explained one of their Assistant Clinical Nurse Managers, Ms. Naomi Ishiyoka, has been with the Troy Beaumont Emergency Center for about 19 years, and has first-hand witness and involvement with domestic violence. She was an integral part in the inaugural Domestic Violence Committee and was instrumental in being a part of an annual ceremony where victims of domestic violence and abuse are honored. It is known as the Silent Witness Ceremony, and he invited the Board members to attend, noting it takes place on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from noon to 12:30 p.m., where Troy Beaumont honors deceased victims of domestic violence discovered over the last calendar year. He introduced Ms. Naomi Ishiyoka.

Ms. Naomi Ishiyoka thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. She indicated that domestic violence touches everyone's lives, and she said it is likely that everyone has someone they know, including family members, who have been touched with domestic violence. Approximately one person every three minutes in the State of Michigan is affected by domestic violence, and those are only the instances that are reported, although many more are not reported. About 15% of all violent crime is related to domestic violence, with one of every three female victims murdered and one of every twenty male victims murdered are a result of domestic violence. She added child abuse is another thing they see, and she estimated that at least once or twice a month, she is directly involved in reporting one of those cases. She stated that children who are victims of domestic violence or are witnesses to a form of domestic violence are much more likely to be involved in drugs, alcohol and violent crime. She encouraged the Board members to attend the Silent Witness Ceremony, noting if they cannot attend, they can come to the hospital during the month of October, where they will see large red profiles of men, women and children, and there is a story on the chest plate of each. She cautioned them that it is very sobering, and awareness is extremely important. She stressed every nurse is trained when

they are hired, plus they have a mandatory annual training for every single staff member, including volunteers. They have special conferences throughout the year on domestic violence and child abuse. She offered to answer questions.

Ms. Meltzer explained why this was an add-on. She received an invitation from Beaumont to attend the Silent Witness Ceremony, and she had just read about a case in the newspaper and watched something on television that was shocking and a real episode of domestic violence. She felt since this is October 1<sup>st</sup> and October is the month for domestic awareness, it is appropriate to be placed as an add-on to tonight's agenda. She is grateful for Ms. Naomi Ishiyoka and Mr. Spatafora for spending their time this evening to speak to the Board, and she felt more people need to be made aware of this, especially because it is often kept quiet and people live in fear. She inquired as to whether they brought any of the purple ribbons to wear, representing domestic violence awareness.

Ms. Naomi Ishiyoka apologized that she did not bring them, noting she spoke at a conference in Pittsburgh this weekend, drove home last night and just received the call this afternoon to speak tonight.

Ms. Meltzer questioned where the ribbons are available, and stated she is willing to pick them up.

Mr. Spatafora offered to check with the Domestic Violence Hospital Committee to see if they can get some ribbons. He stated he will deliver them to the Township offices if he can get them.

Ms. Meltzer stated they can put them on the Clerk's counter. She inquired as to the signs of domestic violence.

Ms. Naomi Ishiyoka replied that a person being afraid would be one of the signs. She stated that anyone coming into the emergency room with any type of injury is asked, and when their story does not match their injuries, that raises concern. Women who always wear long sleeves in the hottest part of summer can be a sign of hiding injuries. Frequent or unusual injuries in children can be a sign, although she recognizes that toddlers will fall a lot and have bumps and bruises on their shins and foreheads. She explained they look for strange places for bruises, such as arms, legs, back and face. If something seems odd, she assured it is ok to ask them what is going on. Any time there is a weapon involved, charges have to be filed, but she generalized that only about one in five women who come in with domestic violence injuries are actually willing to file charges. Children's suspicious injuries are always reported, and Child Protective Services is involved. She also noted that someone not being allowed to go out by themselves or have a phone, someone who does not seem to have their own money or control of their own money, or someone who is not allowed to speak for themselves are all common signs.

Ms. Meltzer shouted out to the Clinton Township Police Department who has to go out on these calls, noting they are extremely difficult.

Mr. Cannon agreed, noting the Clinton Township Fire Department does the same.

Mr. Pearl understood that all patients are asked if there is something going on in their family that they would like to tell them.

Ms. Naomi Ishiyoka stated every person coming through the hospital doors and is touched by a nurse will be asked if they feel safe in their home or if anyone is threatening, harming or keeping them from doing what they need to do. They also scrutinize to make sure their injuries and/or illness match the story, and if they do not, they will get a social worker involved. If it is an assault, the police will be contacted. She added that almost every person murdered as a result of domestic violence had gone into a health care facility at some point and the question comes up as to whether they told the truth when asked those questions, particularly with men because they generally do not tell the story.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Keys, to adopt the Resolution Recognizing October 2018 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Keys, West, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**1A. REQUEST TO HOST ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT AT HENRY FORD MACOMB HOSPITAL (FORMERLY ITEM #1)**

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. West, to receive and file the email received from Ms. Julie Boscaglia, Volunteer Supervisor for Volunteer Services, and approve the request to host the annual Trunk or Treat Event at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for their employees and families, as outlined in the correspondence. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, West, Keys, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**2. SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN: GIACOMA INDUSTRIAL BUILDING #1 – 0.690 ACRES OF VACANT LAND NORTH OF GIACOMA COURT, EAST OF GROESBECK HIGHWAY (SECTION 2)**

Mr. Cannon commented that this looks like a very nice project and will be a nice industrial building for the community.

Mr. Simon Mauro, the petitioner's representative, was present and displayed the proposed site development plan, offering to answer questions.

Mr. Pearl questioned the accompanying notes from the Fire Department indicating that the site may require additional fire hydrants. He inquired as to whether this has been addressed.

Fire Chief Tim Duncan replied that it is in a developed area, so they generally do not have problems with capacity in the Township.

Ms. Mary Bednar, Director of Public Services, explained that those comments are generally addressed during the engineering review, so when they receive the plans for their engineering review, they will send it back to the Fire Department and they will coordinate it with the Fire Marshall.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. West, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Secretary of the Planning Commission, and approve the Site Development Plan for Giacoma Industrial Building #1, to be developed on 0.690 acre of land fronting the north line of Giacoma Court, east of Groesbeck Highway, as presented, subject to compliance with the Fire Department's requirements. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, West, Keys, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**3. SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN: ZORAN UTICA DUPLEXES – LOTS 119 THROUGH 132, MABAREK PARK SUBDIVISION, LOCATED EAST OF UTICA ROAD, NORTH OF CORAL AVENUE, SOUTH OF EDSEL DRIVE (SECTION 30)**

This item was deleted from tonight's agenda.

**4. SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN: STATE OF MICHIGAN DHHS (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES) (FKA SUBURBAN HOME SALES PROPERTY) – 7.78 ACRES W/GRATIOT, S/HALL, ADDRESSED AS 44777 GRATIOT AVENUE (SECTION 1)**

Mr. Cannon stated this will clean up this property. He added that the BOJI Group will be leasing the building to the State, which means this will be on the Township's tax roll.

Ms. Meltzer clarified this is for the Department of Health and Human Services.

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Ms. Meltzer, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Secretary of the Planning Commission, and approve the Site Development Plan for the State of Michigan – DHHS (Department of Health & Human Services) (formerly known as the Suburban Home Sales property), to be located on 7.78 acres of land located west of Gratiot Avenue, south of Hall Road (M-59), addressed as 44777 Gratiot

Avenue (Section 1), as submitted, subject to compliance with the Assessing and Fire Department's requirements. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Gielegthem stated he is pleased to have the BOJI Group and the State Department of Health and Human Services coming in to the Township. He questioned whether there will be additional space for other State administrative agencies.

Mr. Mike Leinweber, Vice-President of Construction Services for the BOJI Group, replied to inquiry that the building will be 100% occupied by various state agencies so there will be no additional space available. He explained they move people in and out, but these will be people primarily located within southeast Michigan and moved to this location.

Mr. Gielegthem questioned whether this will be a facility where people will be encouraged to come to it, or whether it will be more administrative offices.

Mr. Leinweber replied it will house various agencies for the State's Department of Health and Human Services, so as part of their mission, they have adult services, children's protective services, and others, so there will be people coming in to visit and transact business as well as a large group of case workers who will go out into the community.

Mr. Gielegthem questioned whether these people will be coming from the County's Verkuilen Building.

Mr. Leinweber replied these are state employees who will be moved around from different areas, but he added he is not privy to information as to where they are currently located.

Mr. Gielegthem commented that the site plans on the computer screen are very small, but he questioned as to the trees and landscaping for the site.

Mr. Jeff Klatt, of Krieger Klatt Architects, stated trees line the site.

Mr. Gielegthem stated they are encouraging more landscaping along these state corridors, and he appreciated the additional landscaping for this site.

Roll Call: Ayes – West, Meltzer, Keys, Pearl, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegthem.  
Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**5. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO OFFICE CLERK II POSITION – BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. West, to receive and file the letter dated September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Human Resources Director, and appoint Ms. Nichole McCall to the budgeted position of Office Clerk II in the Building Department, which constitutes a promotion to a higher classification within the Township at an annual starting salary of \$35,112, with her appointment effective October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, West, Keys, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**6. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO OFFICE CLERK II POSITION – CLERK’S OFFICE**

This item was deleted from tonight’s agenda.

**7. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO PART-TIME TRANSPORTATION AIDE POSITION – SENIOR CENTER**

Mr. Gielegem explained he did not learn of this until the staff meeting but disclosed that this is the son of his newest employee in the Treasurer’s office. Mr. Gielegem assured this candidate went through the Civil Service process and, unbeknownst to him, he was selected by the Senior Department for the position.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. West, to receive and file the letter dated September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 from the Human Resources Director and appoint Mr. Bryan Bowersock to the budgeted position of part-time Transportation Aide at the Senior Center, with a starting wage of \$13.50 per hour, starting October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, subject to a successful completion of a background investigation and a pre-employment medical examination, including drug screen. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, West, Keys, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**8. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO PART-TIME RECREATION ASSISTANT POSITION – PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Ms. Meltzer, to receive and file the letter dated September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 from the Human Resources Director and appoint Ms. Arianna Endicott to the budgeted position of part-time Recreation Assistant in the Parks & Recreation Department, at an hourly wage of \$12.75, starting October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, subject to a successful completion of a background investigation and a pre-employment medical examination, including drug screen. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Meltzer, Keys, Pearl, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**9. RECOMMENDATION OF PERSONNEL VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Mr. Cannon interjected that both school superintendents have agreed to bring this to their board to fund 50% if it is approved by the Township Board.

Mr. Gieleghem noted that although this is a combined report from the Personnel Vacancy Review Committee, he indicated it comprises two separate agenda items, so he would like to have those separated so they can vote on them individually.

Motion by Mr. Gieleghem, supported by Mr. Pearl, to receive and file the letter dated September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 from the Human Resources Director, and concur with the recommendation of the Personnel Vacancy Review Committee to authorize the creation of a full-time Office Clerk II position in the Senior Center to replace two twenty-nine (29) hour positions currently authorized, resulting in a staffing level of one full-time Office Clerk II and two twenty-nine (29) hour positions, as outlined in the correspondence; further, that a budget amendment of \$15,000 be authorized for the Senior Department's FY 2019 budget for this purpose. Roll Call: Ayes – Gieleghem, Pearl, West, Keys, Cannon, Aragona, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

Mr. Pearl stated it is important to have liaison officers in the schools and he knows the schools need them. He received a brochure in the mail today from Chippewa Valley Schools regarding safe schools and steps being taken to change the entrances to the schools, etc. He stated as a former school board member for years, he knows it is tough to keep the school safe. The schools have been talking about the concerns of adding more police officers.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. Meltzer, to authorize two additional patrol officer positions in the Police Department, bringing the total authorized number of sworn officers in the department to ninety-five (95), which will permit the assignment of two additional School Liaison officers, with one of those assigned to Chippewa Valley School District and one assigned to Clintondale High School, contingent upon both school districts agreeing to fund fifty percent (50%) of the liaison positions; further, that a budget amendment of \$150,000 be authorized for the Police Department's FY 2019 budget. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Keys stated, in doing the research and talking with the community, he felt most of the Board members, if not all, understand Clintondale is not in a position to pay 50%, noting it was an arrangement they had previously that did not work. He stated he would like to make a motion to amend by way of substitution. He stated he would be happy to pass out the motion language.

Mr. Cannon felt Mr. Keys' comments are inaccurate. He claimed the two newspapers that ran the article outlined the exact protocol they went through, including going to the Personnel Vacancy Review Committee, and they listened

to his recommendation. He talked with both school superintendents and it was clear that the Township would be making the offer to both school districts, if the Board approved, to fund 50% for an officer in their building. He emphasized that Chief Posavetz cannot take any of his officers off the road, so they would have to add to the staff. He felt this is the right thing to do for the community, and it was something they talked about before the police millage passed, and he added that their fund balance in the Police Department will be able to absorb this. He hoped they have enough votes to move this forward.

Motion by Mr. Keys, to amend the motion on the floor by substitution, to authorize two additional patrol officer positions, bringing the total authorized number for sworn officers in the department to ninety-five (95), with three assigned as youth liaison officers, one to address youth and school-related issues with the Clintondale School District, and two to address the youth and school-related issues with the Chippewa Valley School District, with exact geographic assignments determined by the Police Chief or designee; further, to authorize a budget amendment in the amount of \$225,000 to the Police Department FY 2019 budget so that the Township is fully funding two of the patrol officer positions assigned as Youth Liaison Officers; further, that the third patrol officer assigned as a Chippewa Valley Youth Liaison Officer is fully funded by the Chippewa Valley School District; further, that the Township work to secure grants to offset costs.

Mr. Cannon questioned whether they are fully aware that Clintondale receives more money per student than the Chippewa Valley School District.

Mr. Keys replied that, although he is not familiar with exactly how much the schools are funded per student, but when looking at the makeup of this community, they did not look only at Clintondale High School and Middle School, but various buildings in the south end of the Township. He claimed there is an increase of police calls in the South Branch Library, in the middle school and high school, as well as many of the elementary schools. He is proposing that these individuals will be assigned to the Chippewa/North Liaison District, and to the Clintondale/South Liaison District. He explained this will enable the Police Chief to sit down and decide which building to send each of those officers in their respective districts that makes the most sense.

Mr. Cannon quoted the revenue received by each of the school districts from all sources, including state, local and federal, per student, is as follows:

Clintondale                   \$10,620 (rank of 209 of the 830 school districts in  
Michigan)

Chippewa Valley       \$9,361 (rank of 601 of the 830 school districts)

He quoted from the 2016/2017 Department of Education website. He pointed out each student in Clintondale brings in \$1,259 more than each student in

Chippewa Valley. He claimed Mr. Keys is asking for the Township to fund 100% of Clintondale, but for Chippewa Valley to pay 100% of their officer.

Mr. Keys clarified that he is proposing the Township will pay 100% for one liaison for Clintondale and 100% for one liaison for Chippewa Valley, adding that if Chippewa Valley still wants a second liaison officer, they would pay for 100% of that, which he noted would put them at exactly what they anticipated to pay originally at a rate of 50% per officer for two officers. He felt Chippewa will be happy because they will be paying what they expected and will get two officers, and the community can be pleased because the resources are spread out, so they do not have two liaison officers in the north end of the Township and zero liaison officers in the south end of the Township.

Discussion took place as to what is being proposed.

Mr. Keys felt this is saying to the community that it does not matter what hard times the school district is going through, or the flexibility of a police millage, but this Board is making the commitment that no matter what occurs, they will make sure there is a police presence in the schools.

Mr. Cannon stressed that is why he brought this issue forward. He had checked with Ms. Mary Hein, Assistant Director of Finance, to see if there was any problem with what they are planning to do, but she indicated if they were to extend it any further, there would be a problem with the police budget in the future. He claimed she had indicated the Police Department budget can absorb the recommendation he brought forward through the proper committee.

Mr. Pearl estimated that Chippewa Valley has double the number of schools that Clintondale has. He stressed the problems are not just in the high schools but also the middle schools. He noted Macomb Township has gone ahead and extended funding for another officer at a rate of 50% for schools in their jurisdiction, and they have asked Clinton Township to do the same thing. He felt they need to make sure the students and teachers are safe. He stated he cannot vote in favor of Mr. Keys' amended motion.

Mr. Cannon stated he will also be voting no on the amended motion.

Mr. Gielegem **seconded the motion** so discussion on this can continue. He felt background in context is important. He noted this issue came up quite a few months ago in the Personnel Vacancy Review Committee and it was voted down. At that point, he received calls from school-related personnel. He talked about the issues, but they talked with other school districts as well, pointing out that Clinton Township has parts of five different school districts, although Clintondale is fully contained within Clinton Township. Chippewa Valley extends into Macomb Township, but they also have parts of Mount Clemens, L'Anse Creuse

and Fraser school districts, although the high schools from the last three are not located within the Township. He questioned how all the community is getting served. He noted when school is not in session, these are the officers who are assigned the youth-related cases. During the school year, they are in the schools. Chippewa wants a second officer because they are a big school district. He pointed out the liaison officers are funded 50-50 and work for Clinton Township, serving at the direction of the Police Chief, although they are assigned to the schools. He felt they should be assigned under the jurisdiction of the Police Department because they are police officers; however, under Mr. Keys' scenario, there is a clear line with one officer assigned to the north and one to the south, even though most of their time is spent at the schools. He stressed the schools are not the only places where they have youth-related issues. This proposal is another \$75,000 above the recommendation coming out of Personnel Vacancy Review. He pointed out they have agenda items tonight that result in spending significant amounts of money, and he assured he watches the dollars, including the legacy costs of these officers that he is very familiar with, serving on the Police and Fire Pension Board. Mr. Gielegem stated the candidates in the interviews for Planning Director are great models for seeking grants, especially when it comes to school safety. He pointed out it is net neutral for Chippewa, but for the south end, they get someone specifically dedicated to youth-related cases. Chippewa Valley gets a second officer as per the request of the school district, so he considered it a "win-win" and creates a more direct line of service to the community, in authority and supervision.

Mr. Cannon stated he hopes they treat the school districts equally, so he will be voting no.

Mr. Bob Hogan, 36755 Barr Street, Clinton Township, Michigan 48035, noted that at a previous meeting, it was mentioned police officers work 12-hour shifts. He inquired as to the shifts for these officers.

Chief Posavetz replied they work an 8-hour day.

Mr. Hogan inquired as to whether they are rotated.

Mr. Cannon replied no, adding that the position would be posted as an 8-hour-a-day, 5-days-a-week position.

Ms. Meltzer commented the reason it is important to have the same officers is that those officers build a rapport with those kids.

Mr. Keys asked that when voting on the motion, they take politics and personality out of this. This recommendation is asking that the school districts be treated the same. He was confident that Clintondale will say no to the 50% as they have done in the past. What will happen is that they will have two officers at Chippewa

and zero at Clintondale. He is asking the Board make the commitment that they will have a police presence in both the north end and the south end, and they will honor the request of Chippewa Valley, who is asking for a second officer. To do that, they will change the way they fund these positions. They will fund an officer for Chippewa at 100%, which is zero cost to them. They will also fund an officer for Clintondale at 100%, which is zero cost to them. If either school wants a second officer, they need to come to this board and agree to pay for 100% of that second officer. He stressed this is net-neutral for Chippewa Valley because the Township is giving them, in terms of money spent, exactly what they are asking for. They are making an accommodation to allow for a partnership with Clintondale as well. He felt those who are familiar with the Clintondale area, they know this is necessary, and this provides a better benefit to the community and to the school districts.

Ms. West was told of this plan earlier today, and she was looking at some of the sites she has for grants, noting there are grants out there.

Mr. Cannon reiterated his meeting with the superintendents of both Chippewa Valley and Clintondale Schools, and both indicated they wanted the officer. Mr. Green had indicated he spoke with his board members and they were in favor of paying 50%, as Chippewa Valley has done for the last several years for an officer in the building. He claimed they both indicated they wanted him to bring this forward to the Personnel Vacancy Committee, which he did, and then to the Board, which he also did. Both superintendents agreed to take it to their boards for final approval.

Mr. Keys passed out an email of correspondence from the Clintondale Schools Superintendent, saying he did not agree to pay for the 50%.

Mr. Cannon confirmed that he did not agree to pay the 50%, but was going to take it to his board.

Mr. Rodney Tolbert, 43600 Naves Court, Clinton Township, Michigan 48038, questioned if Clintondale said they are not going to support this, then why is the Township talking about including Clintondale if they are not willing to put something into it. Although they are trying to make it net-neutral, they are still taking money to pay for something they may not want or cannot afford.

Mr. Cannon replied that he met with the Superintendent of Clintondale Community Schools, and he indicated he was very interested in this process going to this point. He had indicated their finances were in better positions than he thought, and they just had an audit done. Mr. Cannon reminded that Clintondale brings in a considerable amount more money per student than Chippewa Valley.

Mr. Pearl stated from his perspective sitting on the Chippewa Valley School Board for over eight years, Chippewa Valley's budget is not in any better shape than Clintondale. He stated they want to keep all of the kids safe, but there are double the amount of Chippewa Valley students in Clinton Township than there are Clintondale students. Chippewa would be equal in having two officers because they are double the size. If there are grants available and the Clintondale board votes against paying for an officer, he would be thrilled with finding them grants that would help them. He pointed out the State has refused to give adequate money to fund all school districts, noting they are "all in the same boat", with teachers' salaries and benefits cut tremendously, and they cannot fill teacher positions anymore. Chippewa Valley is going out for a bond to try to make their schools safer, borrowing more money from the taxpayers. It is not easy for either school district, so he felt if Clintondale does not want to participate in the 50% match for an officer, they will look at grants to help them.

Ms. West commented there is technology available that could help them with their school districts, and she will continue to take that information back to them.

Mr. Gielegem stated he has a close relationship with both school districts, having graduated from the Clintondale Schools, but having his children as students in the Chippewa Valley School District, and his wife is also a teacher in that district. He mentioned "economies of scale", noting the enrollment figures are not comparable. When there are more dollars coming in per student, but so few students, they are at a greater disadvantage than a district that has economies of scale and high enrollment figures. He felt they cannot ignore that fact. He felt Mr. Keys' proposal is fair and equitable.

Mr. Keys stated if grant dollars are available, they can look into that possibility. He stressed if Clintondale does not opt in for the 50%, they no longer have police presence in the south end. He felt the Township should fund those positions 100% and then aggressively go after grants, and they can use them to offset the costs. He wants the Police Chief to be able to tell the individual how to spend their time because the Police Department knows best on how to keep the community safe. He would like the Board to take the initial step to recognize their obligations to the community.

Roll Call: (**on Mr. Keys' substitution motion**): Ayes – Keys, Gielegem, West. Nays – Pearl, Cannon, Aragona, Meltzer. Absent – None. Motion failed for lack of votes.

Mr. Cannon called for a roll call on the motion that is now on the floor.

Mr. Pearl spoke to that motion. He stressed that, because he has to support school safety, he will support this; however, he felt this is a model that "is not set

up right”, and he felt they are not fair to the entire community. Offering it to them does not mean they have the ability to pay for it. He referred to the email from Clintondale that was passed out by Mr. Keys. He is in favor of taking advantage of technology that will improve safety in the schools, and also seeking grants that will help with the cost.

Mr. Keys stated he would like to motion to amend the motion on the floor.

Mr. Cannon explained Mr. Keys already had his chance to amend the motion.

Discussion ensued as to whether another motion to amend can be made at this time.

Ms. Meltzer pointed out that that Mr. Cannon requested a vote on the original motion. Mr. Gielegem interjected with comments and Mr. Cannon allowed him to speak to it. He also allowed Mr. Keys to speak to it, but this is on the floor, waiting to be voted on.

Mr. Dolan felt Ms. Meltzer’s clarification is correct, and the opportunity to amend would have existed before they started the process of the vote. He recalled the discussion ensued as she was ready to call for the vote of the individuals at the time Mr. Keys interceded with his motion, but that was a little late. He indicated if Mr. Keys had followed immediately with another motion to amend, it may have been timely; however, they were in the process of calling the vote at the time the motion to amend was made.

Roll Call: **(on Mr. Pearl’s original motion)**: Ayes – Pearl, Meltzer, West, Keys, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

Mr. Cannon stated the schools will be notified, and they can work with the Police Chief regarding timing, etc.

## **10. REQUEST APPROVAL FOR REPLACEMENT RADIOS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Mr. Gielegem was at the Budget/Ways & Means Committee meeting where this was looked at, and he supported it at the time. He understood that they need 56 radios and some dashboard-mounted accessories. When adding up the accessories that go along with the 56 radios, it is a unit price of \$2,898 plus another \$1,130, multiplied by 56, and another remote speaker/mike for another \$225, bringing the cost of each of these radios to \$3,130.

Fire Chief Duncan replied that part of that is for the antenna on top of the radio and there is another part that goes up to the front part of the vehicle so the

remainder stays protected in their jacket or below if they are on a medical call so it does not get in the way of the patient.

Mr. Gielegghem noted that \$56,000 of the \$234,000 is related to various accessories and installation charges. He questioned the \$250 charge from the State and another \$75 for the County, and questioned what these are for.

Chief Duncan replied the State has mandated the \$250 charge, and all of the radios have to be sent to them to go through their programming. They are the entity that allows them access to the channel on which they operate, so it about a 20- to 25-week turnover from the time they receive the radios, send them to the State and have them programmed, and receive them back. The \$250 charge is what is charged to every community in the State of Michigan to use them. He indicated the \$75 fee is the standard fee they pay to the County every year. They would continue to pay that each year, even with their current radios, so that is not an extra cost.

Mr. Gielegghem questioned whether this is a bulk purchase with the County.

Chief Duncan believed Macomb County is going to be presenting their request next month to the Board of Commissioners for their purchase. He received word today that Monroe County just approved their purchase in the amount of approximately \$4 million, and they received a \$300 reduction. He pointed out the Township got an approximate 53% reduction from the normal price and that was obtained through MiDeal. They felt the timing was right. He indicated last year when they wrote for the possibility of assistance through a firefighter's grant, they were estimating their cost to be around \$450,000 for this purchase. They received a significant reduction.

Mr. Gielegghem questioned whether they feel they got the best deal available.

Chief Duncan responded affirmatively, noting the discount also relates to all of the accessories.

Mr. Gielegghem questioned whether the State is literally picking up every radio and programming it by hand. He felt there should be software available where they could reduce the costs.

Chief Duncan replied the \$250 fee is because they are the proprietary owners of the entire system, and this is what they are choosing to charge each community.

Mr. Gielegghem understood but added it is frustrating to see those charges for something he does not feel is warranted.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Aragona, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Secretary of the Budget/Ways & Means Committee, and approve the purchase of replacement radios for the Fire Department, with the purchase to include portable, dash mount mobile and desk top radios with accessories, and a state activation fee of \$250 per new unit, for a total cost of \$253,927.40, to be paid out of Capital Outlay; further, to approve the Budget Amendment to the FY 2019 Budget for this purchase in the amount of \$70,000.00. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Aragona, West, Keys, Cannon, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**11. REQUEST APPROVAL FOR PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING VIDEOS TO BE CREATED AND PLACED ON THE TOWNSHIP YOUTUBE CHANNEL**

Mr. Pearl stated when this was presented by Mr. Keys, he was in favor of it. He indicated he is still in favor of the filming, but he has a technical difference of opinion. He explained he has sat on the Planning Commission for years, as well as Zoning boards, and currently sits on the Zoning Board of Appeals. He felt they should be handled the same way as the Township Board meetings, with staff to do the recording. He noted there were other options reviewed with the Department Head, and he felt it should be filmed live so people can watch what is happening in their neighborhoods at the same time they are discussing it at the meeting. Like the Township Board, they will have an opportunity to watch it live, and it will also be archived. He has concerns regarding the legality of these meetings being taped remotely, and what is proposed is that the staff person taking the minutes would be operating the computer, and there would only be one camera facing the Board or Commission. He added it would be difficult to determine who is talking, and any petitioner presenting plans, either at Planning Commission or Zoning Board of Appeals, would not be viewed because there would only be one camera. He admitted there is a cost to do this, but he felt Mr. Keys is correct in requesting that these meetings be filmed. He noted they used to have a surveillance camera years ago, so he could not see taping those meetings, but he emphasized they have very good cameras now. He agreed it is a very good idea to tape these but would like to do it in the same manner as they do for Township Board meetings.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Cannon, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Secretary of the Budget/Ways & Means Committee, and approve the televising of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings live under Option 2, with the videos to then be created and placed on the Township's YouTube Channel; further, the staff costs associated with this are to be paid through comp time or at an hourly rate as negotiated. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Cannon felt this is a good idea.

Mr. Keys requested that Option 2 be provided, as they received only Option 1 in their board packets.

Ms. West stated she did not receive Option 2.

Mr. Pearl clarified Option 2 was presented at the meeting when this was first proposed by Mr. Keys.

Discussion took place regarding when Option 2 was originally in the packets.

Mr. Pearl read Option 2 as presented at the original meeting when this was proposed.

Mr. Keys stated there is nothing that prohibits the Cable Department from doing those things listed in Option 1. He noted Option 1 involves buying a piece of equipment that allows them to do this, but it does not specify that it cannot be cable-staffed. It only provides the flexibility to buy the piece of equipment that is needed. He referred to the minutes from the meeting where both options were discussed. He indicated this Board is not in a spot where they want to be spending additional funds on staff, so when it comes to prioritizing, they just want to get the videos on line.

Mr. Pearl stated that, while it is not a legal requirement to film these meetings, once they do, especially in the case of the Zoning Board of Appeals, where any appeal on their decisions does not go to the Township Board but goes to circuit court. The court can ask for not only the minutes but the tapes, and he felt they should be done “100% right” because it could be a court case. He indicated the Township has been sued over Zoning Board of Appeals decisions.

Mr. Dolan agreed, noting that in the Zoning Board of Appeals, there is a statutory right to proceed to circuit court to appeal those decisions. He also indicated Special Land Use decisions are also subject to appeals to the court.

Mr. Pearl explained it is a higher standard, and the software is the first step, but he felt it is spending money for no reason because it is only for a remote that will capture one camera. He was told by Mr. Jim Perpich, Director of Community Relations & Media Services, that they physically have to be in the building to be on a network, and remote operation cannot do that.

Ms. Meltzer stated this went before Budget/Ways & Means and there was a reason for that, so they could vet their options. They went to the Community Relations Director, and when they discussed it with Budget/Ways & Means, he agreed with Option #1. She questioned whether Mr. Pearl had a discussion with Mr. Perpich, and whether he changed his mind.

Mr. Pearl stated he talked today with Mr. Perpich, who indicated he would prefer Option 2. He did not feel the committee answered the questions that needed to be answered, and he was not part of that committee. He noted Mr. Cannon stepped out so that Mr. Keys could step in and discuss it. He reiterated the Director of Community Relations felt Option 2 was the best, although not the cheapest.

Ms. Meltzer inquired as to that cost.

Mr. Pearl stated it depends upon the number of meetings and could cost up to \$4,000 a year.

Ms. Meltzer questioned if they go with Option 1 at this time and decide that is not enough, what would stop them from going to Option 2 in the future. She felt that is why this went to Budget/Ways & Means. She got the impression that the Director was satisfied with Option 1.

Mr. Cannon clarified Mr. Perpich is happy that these meetings will be aired, but he is not happy that Option 1 will provide poor quality because his standards are very high. He heard Mr. Perpich say he would prefer to have someone in his control room operating this, the same as he does for the Township Board meetings, because the quality would be what he has come to expect from himself, his staff and his department. He knows that Mr. Perpich would prefer Option 2.

Ms. Meltzer claimed there are very few who watch that meeting and there are other options to receive minutes. She recalled Ms. Heins' comments to the staff about spending money, and although the difference between \$1,000 and \$4,000 is not a lot of money, every thousand dollars adds up. She was concerned about spending a lot of money for this particular option for two committees she claimed are not really viewed by "a whole lot of people", but there are other options for them to get minutes if they want. She stated she is reluctant at this point to spend more money on the second option.

Ms. West felt this item should be postponed to the next meeting, so the Board members can review both options. She indicated she also calculated an annual cost of \$5,600 for "Option 2", rather than the \$4,000 mentioned.

Mr. Pearl agreed to withdraw his motion, and Mr. Cannon withdrew his support of that motion.

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Pearl, to postpone further consideration of this item to the next Regular Township Board meeting, scheduled for Monday,

October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 so the Board members have the opportunity to review both options. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Keys expressed disappointment, stating this is a common-sense issue. The goal is to put the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings online. He claimed the last time he came to the Board with this request, they were told they would need a Personnel Vacancy Review Committee recommendation because they would need to add staff. They were told they would need a budget amendment, and he was told the technology cost was too much. The proposal before them now is under \$1,000, is within the budget and could be done immediately. He appreciated Mr. Pearl doing his homework, but he felt the recommendation for Option 2 with the amount it is going to cost is misleading. He recalled that Mr. Perpich did not account for the rate as if it was overtime, but only if it was comp time, so he felt the \$26 per hour rate is not accurate. He felt they are trying to once again take one of his ideas and send it to Budget/Ways & Means or postpone to another meeting. He hoped the Board will look at the fact that they can spend less than \$1,000 of already-budgeted money and get these videos online for the public as soon as possible.

Mr. Gielegem did not recall the figures for Option 2, noting that it is still not clear. He noted Mr. Keys has talked about this issue for a long time before it finally went to Budget/Ways & Means, and now it is postponed again. He stated he will vote for either option, because what Mr. Keys was doing was to try to provide transparency in getting those meetings available for viewing for the public. He felt Option 1 was a good compromise and at a relatively low cost, but he is ready to vote tonight, and indicated he will even vote on Option 2 for the \$4,000 cost because he stressed transparency is important.

Ms. West does not feel comfortable making a decision on something for which she does not have the information.

Mr. Pearl questioned who sits on Budget/Ways and Means.

Mr. Cannon replied he, along with Ms. Meltzer and Mr. Gielegem, sit on the committee. He added that he stepped out while Mr. Keys made his presentation.

Mr. Pearl questioned whether they saw the options.

Mr. Cannon replied affirmative.

Mr. Gielegem stated they listened to the recommendation of their Community Relations Director.

Mr. Pearl noted that no one at that meeting has ever served on Planning Commission or Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mr. Gielegem agreed, but indicated he has chaired meetings where they have pressed a button to record a meeting in a similar situation.

Roll Call (**on motion to postpone for two weeks**): Ayes – West, Pearl, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – Keys. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**12. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE #445 – AMENDMENT TO 2015 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE**

Mr. Dolan explained this Ordinance Amendment was previously introduced. He explained it involves a digitized method of performing inspection reports and qualifying entities who want to engage in this digital reporting method. He advised the motion tonight would be to adopt and publish.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Keys, to adopt Ordinance No. 445, which amends Chapter 1610, adding Section 1610.05 and providing for repealer, severability and effective date; further, the Ordinance is to be published as required. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Keys, West, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**13. ZONE 6 MANHOLE REHAB CHANGE IN SCOPE**

This item was deleted from tonight's agenda.

**14. FUND MATCH AMENDMENT FOR MNRTF GRANT APPLICATION 18-0217 – 21150 BELLEVIEW PROPERTY**

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Keys, to receive and file the letter dated September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Township Supervisor, the Director of Public Services and the Director of Parks and Recreation, and approve the Fund Match Amendment for the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Land Acquisition Grant TF18-0217 for 21150 Belleview Land Acquisition; further, to adopt the Resolution of Authorization-Local Unit of Government Match Without Donated Funds, as presented. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Keys, West, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**15. FUND MATCH AMENDMENT FOR MNRTF GRANT APPLICATION 18-0218 – VACANT 6.299 ACRE SPILLWAY PROPERTY 16-11-24-301-004**

Motion by Mr. Gielegem, supported by Ms. Meltzer, to receive and file the letter dated September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Township Supervisor, the Director of Public Services and the Director of Parks and Recreation, and approve the Fund Match Amendment for the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Land

Acquisition Grant TF18-0218 for Clinton River “Spillway Property” Acquisition (Parcel #16-11-24-301-004); further, to adopt the Resolution of Authorization-Local Unit of Government Match Without Donated Funds, as presented. Roll Call: Ayes – Gielegem, Meltzer, West, Keys, Pearl, Cannon, Aragona. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

#### **16. BID AWARD: DEMOLITION OF TOWNSHIP-OWNED PROPERTIES**

Mr. Cannon indicated this is the same person who has taken down a number of properties in the Township.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Mr. Aragona, to receive and file the letter dated September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Building Department Superintendent and award the bid for the demolition of Township-owned properties, being three (3) residential structures addressed as 19741 Nicke, 21860 Abrahm and 33912 Floyd, to the lowest qualified bidder, Universal Consolidated Enterprises, in the amount of \$29,946.00, to be charged to the R&M-Tax Forfeited Property account. Roll Call: Ayes – Pearl, Aragona, Keys, Cannon, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – West. Motion carried.

#### **17. BID AWARD FOR RESTORATION OF THE WILLIAMS LOG CABIN**

Mr. Keys inquired as to whether there were any members of the Historical Commission present during the Budget/Ways and Means Committee meeting.

Ms. Meltzer replied there were none present at that meeting, but they did interject.

Mr. Keys stated at the Festival of the Senses, they pulled him aside and asked about it. He commented that this bid lays out the questions asked at Budget/Ways and Means, and the company responded to those. He is aware that there are a couple of items that are not included in the scope of work, and he assumed that for many of these, the Department of Public Services staff will be taking on those responsibilities.

Ms. Bednar replied that is the case with quite a few of the responsibilities. She explained that, regarding the input from the Historical Committee, she spoke with one of the representatives who sits on the Arboretum Committee as well, and she let him know this was going to be on the Township Board agenda.

Mr. Keys appreciated any type of enhanced communication with that committee, and he is aware this is foremost on their mind after the Festival.

Ms. Bednar shared with them it was coming to the Board, adding that this has come back a couple of times.

Mr. Keys questioned whether the furniture has been relocated yet.

Ms. Bednar replied Mr. Keys would have to look at the full plan because there are different recommendations for a few years out. She explained the largest thing being added to this project is the windows because the way they are replacing the logs, it would make sense to replace the windows at this time to avoid any future leaks by fitting them later.

Motion by Mr. Keys, supported by Ms. Meltzer, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Chairperson of the Budget/Ways & Means Committee, waive the bid policy and award the bid for restoration of the Williams Log Cabin to R.G. Kenel Log Builders LLC, at a total cost of \$80,209.00, which is budgeted in the Capital Outlay for Parks, as outlined in the correspondence. Roll Call: Ayes – Keys, Meltzer, West, Pearl, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegghem. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

#### **18. APPOINTMENT TO BUILDING AUTHORITY**

Mr. Gielegghem questioned whether there are any applications or background on these candidates.

Mr. Cannon stated that two of these individuals have served on this committee in the past.

Mr. Gielegghem felt that, even with the Supervisor's recommendation, it is important to have background information.

Mr. Cannon stated that Mr. Nichols was Chairperson of the Building Authority in the past, and he stated he will ask him to chair it once again.

Ms. Meltzer confirmed that Mr. Sommerstorfer has served the Township in many ways, including on the Cultural Diversity Committee as well as helping out with elections.

Motion by Mr. Cannon, supported by Mr. Pearl, to receive, file and concur with the letter dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Township Supervisor, and appoint Clinton Township residents Mr. James L. Nichols, Mr. Henry Sommerstorfer and Ms. Pamela Schlaff to the Clinton Township Building Authority for a period of six (6) months. Roll Call: Ayes – Cannon, Pearl, West, Keys, Aragona, Gielegghem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

#### **19. REQUEST TO ATTEND CONFERENCE – FIRE HOUSE EXPO 2018**

Ms. Meltzer stated this is education of cancer prevention is for firefighters who are faced with some incredible dangers. She stated they need to fund those protections.

Motion by Mr. Pearl, supported by Ms. West, to receive and file the letter dated September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from Firefighter Ryan Amormino, Firefighter Eric Kapral and Lieutenant Michael McLaughlin, and approve their request to attend the Firehouse Expo Conference in Nashville, Tennessee from October 16<sup>th</sup> through 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at a total estimated cost of \$2,907.00 for all three to attend. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Keys noted the total estimated cost is for \$2,907 and he inquired as to whether that amount is the total for all three, or whether that is for each of them.

Chief Duncan replied that is for all three.

Mr. Keys questioned how they are getting to Tennessee for a total of only \$130.00 in mileage/transportation costs.

Chief Duncan replied they will be using one of the staff vehicles that will be filled before they leave. They will need to get fuel in between, and they can refill when they get back to their station, so that will keep their costs down.

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

## **20. DRAFT OF TOWNSHIP ETHICS POLICY**

Mr. Gielegem noted that there were differences in the two plans, so Mr. Dolan and Mr. Smith were asked to blend them together, and when there were differences, they were to note them. An email came out, indicating that this needs to “go back to the drawing board” and send it to Budget/Ways & Means. He recalled per Board action, it was required to come back to the Board, so when he pointed that out, Mr. Cannon agreed to have it back on tonight’s agenda. He stated the Board can debate those tonight and decide, or they can take whatever action the Board chooses.

Mr. Cannon explained they put these on the agenda to start discussion, but there is a long way to go. He stated he has no objection to continuing discussion at the Budget/Ways & Means Committee meeting and felt that is where it should be sent. He pointed out there is a lot of code of conduct, and what they need are to talk about ethics and where conflicts of interest could arise. He felt there is too much to discuss publicly tonight.

Motion by Mr. Cannon, supported by Mr. Pearl, to refer this matter to the Budget/Ways & Means Committee, to be brought back as soon as possible to the Township Board for full Board discussion. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Keys inquired as to whether Mr. Cannon and Mr. Pearl would be willing to amend their motion to add a date as to when this would be brought back. He felt it is right for a policy like this to be discussed in a committee process, but it does not mean that all of the debating and discussion has to occur outside of an open meeting.

Mr. Cannon felt this will take at least Budget Ways & Means Committee meetings, which would be three months.

Ms. Meltzer commented that if it is after the election, that would be wonderful.

Mr. Keys noted Mr. Cannon is requesting a complete rewrite, and he questioned as to whether there is any indication of what is in the current document as far as the direction in which they are going.

Mr. Cannon replied that he has asked Mr. Smith to start at “ground zero” to put together a policy that will be most beneficial to the Township. He explained they have a blend of several different concepts which he did not feel is what they are interested in.

Mr. Keys agreed with Mr. Cannon, pointing out that in the proposal submitted by the three Trustees, they laid out very clear directives they wanted to accomplish. He recalled the second document was a draft off of the Michigan Township Association’s (MTA) website. He noted Mr. Dolan has gone through and indicated where those differences are, and he questioned as to whether the MTA draft is what he is not interested in.

Mr. Cannon replied no and explained he has asked Mr. Smith to look at several different policies, and they will discuss Mr. Smith’s, as well as one that is put together with the combined motion at the meeting at which he was not in attendance. He reiterated his suspicion that it will take three to four months, and he also reminded that Ms. Meltzer has an election to run.

Ms. Meltzer pointed out that there are also three holidays within the next few months, so that is something they need to consider. She confirmed that they have a Budget/Ways & Means Committee meeting each month, so that is sufficient, but if a deadline is set as a guide, it does not mean that is when it has to be brought back to the Board if they find there is more information necessary. She does not have a problem picking any date as long as they know it could be extended at the meeting.

Mr. Cannon inquired as to whether three months is acceptable.

Ms. Meltzer agreed with the three months.

Mr. Cannon **amended his motion**, and Mr. Pearl **amended his support**, to include the following to the motion on the floor:

Further, a status report is to be submitted back to the Board in three months with regard to this item. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Gieleghem questioned whether Budget/Ways & Means is the right place for this. He pointed out Budget/Ways & Means consists of the three full-time officials, along with whatever staff is necessary for issues that pop up, such as the taping of the meetings, the log cabin restoration, among others. He felt there is an alternative, and that could be a work group comprised of other members of the Board. He suggested Mr. Keys since he is passionate about this issue, and possibly Mr. Cannon or Mr. Pearl may want to take this on. There is an RFP coming up for the engineering firm, so he felt this should go to a work group, or ad hoc committee.

Mr. Cannon disagreed, noting that the Budget/Ways & Means Committee has gone through a lot of important issues. He pointed out they do not always have an item on the agenda, but they have the ability to contribute, and he likes their input. He indicated his motion will stand, and they will get a report back from Budget/Ways & Means within three months.

Roll Call (**on amended motion**): Ayes – Cannon, Pearl, West, Keys, Aragona, Meltzer. Nays – Gieleghem. Absent – None. Motion carried.

## **21. UPDATE REGARDING EXTERNAL INVESTIGATION – PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR ENGAGEMENT PROPOSALS**

Ms. Meltzer stated she does not have a letter, but she has the three proposals for private investigators submitted by the Township Attorney. She questioned whether this will go to Budget/Ways & Means.

Mr. Cannon felt there is a consensus to move forward.

Motion by Mr. Gieleghem, supported by Mr. Keys, to contract with Rahman Corporate Investigative Services, as outlined in the proposal submitted by Mr. William J. Kowalski, for a price not to exceed \$15,000, at which time a final or preliminary report will be presented to the Board; further, if the report is preliminary, it should include a list of findings and conclusions, issues not yet concluded, recommended next steps, and timeline for completion. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Gielegghem replied to inquiry that he added the cost not to exceed \$15,000.

Mr. Aragona inquired as to whether that leaves it open-ended, because when they reach \$15,000, they are to provide a report to the Board. He noted it could involve further costs at that point.

Mr. Gielegghem noted that they are limited to \$15,000, at which time the Board is provided a report. If the report is not complete at that point, it needs to include their findings, what is anticipated to go into the next phase, if necessary, and a timeline and anticipated costs. He clarified it does not mean they approve that cost, but they would need to provide an estimate to continue on.

Mr. Dolan is saying that once they reach \$15,000, they will provide either a final report or a report with a forecast which will essentially be an anticipated budget and timeline, which will still need approval by this Board.

Mr. Aragona clarified the Board would have to vote on any more dollars to be spent on this in excess of the \$15,000.

Mr. Gielegghem stated that is his intention in this motion.

Roll Call: Ayes – Gielegghem, Keys, West, Pearl, Cannon, Aragona, Meltzer.  
Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

## **22. CORRECTION OF MINUTES FROM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS JUNE 25, 2018 AND JULY 23, 2018**

Ms. Meltzer clarified there is nothing to correct in the July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 minutes. She explained the minutes of the June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 report have been corrected to reflect the motion for Item #21 was supported by Mr. Keys, not by Mr. Pearl.

Motion by Mr. Keys, supported by Ms. West, to approve the correction of minutes from the June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Regular Township Board Meeting, reflecting that the supporter of the motion for Item #21 was Mr. Keys and not Mr. Pearl, as reflected in the minutes as originally approved. Roll Call: Ayes – Keys, West, Cannon, Aragona, Gielegghem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – Pearl. Motion carried.

## **23. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2018 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

This item was moved to Item #1 on tonight's agenda.

## **24. APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 17, 2018 REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

This item was deleted from tonight's agenda.

**25. RESOLUTION OPPOSING SENATE BILL 637 – WIRELESS COMMUNICATION PROVIDERS AND FACILITIES**

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Gielegem, to receive and file the letter dated September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from the Township Attorney and adopt the Resolution Opposing Senate Bill 637 – Wireless Communication Facilities and Providers, as presented. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Gielegem, Keys, Pearl, Cannon, Aragona, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

Motion by Mr. Gielegem, supported by Mr. Pearl, to approve the minutes of the September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Regular Township Board Meeting, as presented this evening. Roll Call: Ayes – Gielegem, Pearl, West, Keys, Cannon, Aragona, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

Motion by Ms. West, supported by Mr. Aragona, to approve the minutes of the September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Regular Township Board Meeting, as presented. Roll Call: Ayes – West, Aragona, Keys, Pearl, Cannon, Gielegem, Meltzer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Aragona, supported by Mr. Gielegem, to adjourn the meeting.  
Roll Call: Ayes – Aragona, Gielegem, West, Keys, Pearl, Cannon, Meltzer.  
Nays - None. Absent – None. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:30  
p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KIM MELTZER, CLERK  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON

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