

**Charter Township of Marquette
Marquette Township Board – Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.
Marquette Township Community Center**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Durant at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Lyn Durant, Supervisor
 Randy Ritari, Clerk
 Ernest Johnson, Treasurer
 John Markes, Trustee
 Dave Wiegand, Trustee
 Dan Everson, Trustee
 Pete LaRue, Trustee

Staff present: Randy Girard, Township Manager
 Roger Zappa, Township Attorney
 Kirk Page, Township Public Works Superintendent
 Jason McCarthy, Township Planner/Zoning Administrator

Committee

Members present: Mike Springer, Planning, Recreation, and Roads Committee

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of Regular Minutes of May 2, 2017

- B. Received Committee/Other Reports
 - 1. Fire Chief/Fire Marshal Monthly Report – April 2017
 - 2. Sheriff’s Report – April 2017
 - 3. Fire Department Business Meeting DRAFT Minutes of April 10, 2017
 - 4. Fire Department Officer’s Meeting DRAFT Minutes of April 10, 2017
 - 5. Supervisor’s Report

- C. Correspondence Not Requiring Board Action
 - 1. Charter Communications Correspondence Regarding Channel Lineup (2)
 - 2. Correspondence from the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

D. Bills Payable

1. Checks 154905 to 154970 in the amount of \$126,071.39.
Note the Voided Checks

E. Financial

1. Preliminary Financial Statements – April 2017

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion – Trustee Markes

Second – Trustee LaRue

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION: To approve the Agenda as presented.

Motion – Clerk Ritari

Second – Trustee Markes

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike Springer, Recreation Committee, commented about the Township clean-up happening this Saturday and encouraged help from residents, and reserved time on agenda item 11.C. Consider Pen, Inc. Zoning Map Amendment Application – Marquette Township Planning Commission Recommendation.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT:

Trustee Wiegand, gave the board an update on the Road Rehabilitation Project.

Treasurer Johnson, commented about putting on the Township Website – information on how to give complaints from residents about Charter Communications to the State of Michigan.

FORUM DISCUSSION: (No Formal Actions – 30 minutes max)

Darlene Walch, Sands Township Supervisor and Kevin Koch, Attorney

They both commented about the County Landfill issue.

STAFF OR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works – Superintendent Page – gave quick update on Public Works

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Reconsider MCSWMA Addendum to Articles

MOTION: To rescind the previous motion: (To not support Amending the Articles of Incorporation of the MCSWMA until such time that Equal Representation is addressed by the MCSWMA) from the previous Board Meeting.

Motion – Supervisor Durant

Second – Trustee LaRue

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Durant-Aye

Clerk Ritari-Aye

Treasurer Johnson-Aye

Trustee Markes-Aye

Trustee Wiegand- Nay

Trustee Everson- Aye

Trustee LaRue-Aye

Carried (6-1)

MOTION: To support Amending the Articles of Incorporation of the MCSWMA and authorize the Supervisor to execute the document.

Motion – Clerk Ritari

Second – Trustee Markes

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Durant-Aye

Clerk Ritari-Aye

Treasurer Johnson-Aye

Trustee Markes-Aye

Trustee Wiegand- Nay

Trustee Everson- Aye

Trustee LaRue-Aye

Carried (6-1)

Reconsider Ojibwa Express Trust Position
(Background from Manager Girard)

Manager Girard and Planner McCarthy, spoke to the agenda item and Chris Swartz and Andrew Chosa commented also on the item.

Supervisor Durant, will schedule a future work session with the KBIC to further discuss this item.

NEW BUSINESS:

Consider UPEA Water Facilities Condition Assessment Proposal
(Background from Superintendent Page)

MOTION: To accept the Water Facilities Condition Assessment Proposal from UPEA for an amount not to exceed \$5,785.00.

Motion – Trustee Markes

Second – Clerk Ritari

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

Consider Water Debt Service and Rate Adjustment
(Background from Superintendent Page)

MOTION: To approve the transfer of \$4,546.00 from the Water Fund Restricted Debt Service Account 591.654.000 to the Water Fund Unrestricted Other Revenues Account 591.672.000, and remove \$.50 from the Debt Service on the Water Bills effective the next billing cycle.

Motion – Clerk Ritari

Second – Trustee Markes

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Durant-Aye

Clerk Ritari-Aye

Treasurer Johnson-Aye

Trustee Markes-Aye

Trustee Wiegand- Aye

Trustee Everson- Aye

Trustee LaRue-Aye

Carried (7-0)

MOTION: To approve the adjustment in the Water Per Volume Rate from 6.99 per 1000/gal to 8.66 per 1000/gal with the effective date being the next billing cycle.

Motion – Trustee LaRue

Second – Trustee Everson

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Durant-Aye

Clerk Ritari-Aye

Treasurer Johnson-Aye

Trustee Markes-Aye

Trustee Wiegand- Aye

Trustee Everson- Aye

Trustee LaRue-Aye

Carried (7-0)

Consider Pen, Inc. Zoning Map Amendment Application – Marquette Township
Planning Commission Recommendation
(Background from Planner McCarthy)

Mike Springer, Planning Commission, commented that he hoped the Township Board will approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the Zoning Request.

Robert Taylor, Pen Inc., commented as the property owner on why the piece of property should be rezoned.

MOTION: To approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission that the proposed rezoning of tax parcel ID #52-08-018-016-00 from Rural Residential (RR) zoning district to Development District (DD) be denied.

**Motion – Clerk Ritari
Second – Trustee Wiegand**

**Roll Call Vote:
Supervisor Durant-Aye
Clerk Ritari-Aye
Treasurer Johnson-Aye
Trustee Markes-Aye
Trustee Wiegand- Aye
Trustee Everson- Aye
Trustee LaRue-Nay
Carried (6-1)**

Consider Michigan Bell Easement Agreement

MOTION: To approve the Michigan Bell Easement Agreement and authorize the Supervisor to execute the document.

**Motion – Trustee Wiegand
Second – Treasurer Johnson**

**Ayes - 7
Nays - 0
Carried**

Consider Draft ORV (Off-Road Vehicle) Ordinance – Second Reading

Due to changes in the proposed ordinance from the last reading – this will be a First Reading again.

MOTION: To accept the First Reading of the Draft ORV (Off-Road Vehicle) Ordinance.

Motion – Clerk Ritari

Second – Trustee Markes

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

Consider Alger-Delta Cooperative Electric Association Franchise Ordinance and Agreement

MOTION: To grant the proposed Alger-Delta Electric Association Franchise Ordinance and Agreement under terms approved by the Township Board and return to them for approval.

Motion – Trustee Markes

Second – Clerk Ritari

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

Consider Budget Amendment No. 2017-02

Budget Amendment No. 2017-02

May 26, 2017

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MARQUETTE
FY 2017 BUDGET RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Marquette Township Board to establish General and Special Appropriations Acts for the purpose of budgeting Township finances in a manner which does not allow expenditure, including any accrued deficits, to exceed revenues, including any available unappropriated surpluses, and,

WHEREAS, the Marquette Township Board recognizes that unforeseen activities may require amendments to these Appropriations Acts, such amendments shall be made by either formal resolution of the Marquette Township Board; or, by a ten percent (10%) of budget center contingency transfer authorized by the Township Manager, in such a manner so as not to allow the total expenditures, including accrued deficits, to exceed revenues and unappropriated surpluses; and,

WHEREAS, the Marquette Township Appropriations Acts for 2017 do not permit deviations which cause expenditures for any activity to exceed budgeted amounts without amendment to the Act by the Marquette Township Board or the aforementioned contingency transfer; and,

WHEREAS, the Marquette Township Board has duly reviewed the budgets for the General Appropriations Act and the Special Appropriations Act, both Acts include all funds of the Charter Township of Marquette, at public hearings of the Marquette Township Board,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette Township Board hereby amends the Appropriations Acts for 2017 in accordance with budgetary information presented to this Board and the limitations defined within this Resolution.

	Current Budget	Amended Budget	Change
General Fund			
Revenues	2,117,204	2,159,204	42,000
Expenditures			
Professional Services	108,000	124,884	16,884
Fund Balance*	342,841	367,957	25,116
Elections	3,000	0	(3,000)
Capital - Other	6,000	0	(6,000)
Capital – Computer Equipment	0	9,000	9,000
DDA Fund			
Revenues	0	56,884	56,884
Expenditures			

Transfer Out	0	42,000	42,000
Fund Balance	15,966	30,850	14,884

MOTION: To approve Budget Amendment No. 2017-02.

Motion – Clerk Ritari

Second – Treasurer Johnson

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Durant-Aye

Clerk Ritari-Aye

Treasurer Johnson-Aye

Trustee Markes-Aye

Trustee Wiegand- Aye

Trustee Everson- Aye

Trustee LaRue-Aye

Carried (7-0)

Manager’s Report

Manager Girard, presented his written report to the board with items covering the Office Hours – Memorial Day/Summer, Special Assessment Public Hearing – Fire Prevention and Protection, Community Events Committee – Car Show and Cruise, US41/M-28 Corridor Committee, and Zoning Board of Appeals Activity.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike Springer, 206 Eagles Nest Rd., thanked the Board for upholding the recommendation of the Planning Commission, and reminded everyone about the clean-up this coming Saturday.

Linda Winslow, 2502 Norwood St., commented about the water rate increases, and some broken equipment at the Lions Field Park.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS:

Clerk Ritari, commented on getting a proposal to bring back to the Board to upgrade the microphones in the board room for better coverage during meetings.

ADJOURMENT:

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion – Treasurer Johnson

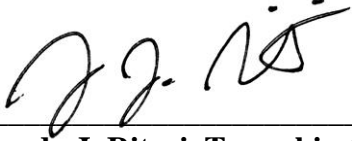
Second – Trustee Everson

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

Supervisor Durant declared the meeting adjourned at 9.52 p.m.



Randy J. Ritari, Township Clerk

Lyn J. Durant, Township Supervisor