

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WILLIAMS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting – May 10, 2011**

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Williams held a regular meeting on Tuesday May 10, 2011 at the Township Hall. The agenda is attached Exhibit A.

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Paul Wasek, Supervisor at 7:00 p.m. Present: Wasek (Supervisor), Hoverman (Treasurer), Gower (Trustee), Paige (Trustee), Plant (Trustee), and Putt (Trustee).

Excused: Charney (Clerk).

Others present are indicated on the sign in sheet, attached Exhibit B.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was said in unison.

III. Open to the Public

Vaughn Begick, 3rd District County Commissioner, was present to provide updates on recent Bay County Commission meetings.

Magen Trask, Bay Future, Inc., provided a 2011 Activity Report and the 2010 Annual Report Newsletter.

IV. Changes to Agenda

Magen Trask asked to be placed on the agenda to discuss a three year contract extension between the township and Bay Future, Inc.

P. Wasek has tried to obtain a proposed construction date on the State Police Post. He has been unable to get detailed information from those involved in the project. The funds are appropriated but a general contractor has not been selected.

V. Consent Agenda

1. Approve the April 12, 2011 Board of Trustee Minutes as presented.
2. Approve the payment of bills as submitted, and the monthly health insurance billing when due.
3. Receive the March 2011 Financial (cash) Report as presented.
4. Receive the March 2011 Revenue Report and March 2011 Expense Report as presented.
5. Receive the Supervisor's Update of Projects and Issues as presented.
6. Receive the List of Committee Reports, attached Exhibit D.
7. Approve the payment of expenses for appropriate township personnel to attend workshops within Michigan, listed in attached Exhibit E.
8. Receive the Miscellaneous Correspondence and Communication List, attached Exhibits F and G, respectively.

A motion was made by Paige and seconded by Plant to approve all items as listed on the Consent Agenda.

6 Ayes 0 Nays Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

VI. Regular Agenda

1. Dow Corning IFT Application, Auburn Site, Case No. 11-01

An application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate was received from Dow Corning Corporation for improvements to their Auburn Site on Eleven Mile Road in Section 28 of the township. The total project cost is \$27,991,964.00; \$25,301,964.00 is personal property, and \$2,690,000.00 is real property. A twelve-year exemption is being applied for.

The public hearing began at 7:30 p.m.

Doug Andrejewski, Auburn Site Engineering & Services Manager was present to explain the IFT application and answer questions from those in attendance.

He asked that numerous personal property items listed on Attachment 1 of the application be removed. He was then informed that consideration of the IFT could not take place until an amended application is submitted.

The public hearing concluded at 7:38 p.m.

By unanimous consent it was agreed to postpone consideration of the Dow Corning Auburn Site IFT application, Case No. 11-01, until the June 2011 regular meeting. It is understood that an amended application shall be submitted for review by the township attorney.

2. Dow Corning IFT Application, Corporate Site, Case No. 11-02

An application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate was received from Dow Corning Corporation for facility, office, and/or equipment upgrades to DC1, DC2, DC3, DC4, DC30, and DC40 buildings, all located at the corporate site, 2200 W. Salzburg Road in Section 29 of the township.

The property is located within an industrial development district created on September 10, 1979.

The total project cost is \$11,468,280.00; \$1,282,500.00 of real property costs and \$10,185,780.00 of personal property costs. A twelve-year exemption is being applied for.

The application states that the current investment will add capabilities to allow for research and development of new chemistries and applications using silicon and silicones. The changes not only allow new research, they improve the safety of the employees and reduce the energy needs of the site.

The public hearing began at 7:38 p.m.

Rich Groves was present from Dow Corning to answer questions and provide information on this application.

No members of the public were present to ask questions or comment on the requested IFT Certificate.

The public hearing concluded at 7:50 p.m.

05-11-019-D/I/P/T A motion was made by Paige and seconded by Plant to
===== approve the amended application of Dow Corning Corporation for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (IFT) for their corporate site, Case No. 11-02 with a total project cost of \$11,468,280.00 for 12 years, effective December 31, 2011 for the 2012 tax year on part of tax parcel 09-140-029-200-010-00, and to authorize the Clerk to sign the resolution, attached Exhibit C. The parties are in agreement that all costs incurred by the township to process the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate shall be reimbursed by Dow Corning.

Ayes: Plant, Hoverman, Paige, Putt, Gower, and Wasek.

Nays: None.

Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

3. Eleven Mile Road Water Tower

Mike Trombly, representing Utility Service Company, Inc. provided an informational slide show that included pictures of the inside and outside of the Eleven Mile Road water tower. Sheldon Shelton, V.P. Sales, was also in attendance and answered questions from the board members.

Based on a scale of 0 to 5, (0 is worst, 5 is best), our tower has an approximate rating of 1. The presentation included an overview of the maintenance required on the tower due to its age and the fact that the entire structure needs to be blasted to bare metal in order to assure proper adhesion of the new paint. Three coats of paint will be needed to complete the job along with numerous repairs to both the interior and the exterior.

The quotation from their company for repairs on the water tower was discussed during the April 12th regular meeting and was again discussed. A contract will be provided for review by the township attorney prior to a decision and a vote by the board.

4. Sixth Amendment to Bay County West Side Regional Sewage Disposal System Contract

A Resolution and Sixth Amendment to Bay County West Side Regional Sewage Disposal System has been drafted by Bill Darbee and provided for each of the eight local units and the Bay County Board of County Road Commissioners to review, discuss and approve by authorizing signature of the clerk and supervisor.

The purpose of the Sixth Amendment is:

- To add the city of Essexville and Charter Township of Hampton, in addition to the city of Auburn, as local units that currently operate and maintain their own individual local sewer collection systems.
- To define specific terms of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Fund and provide a method for the Local Units to modify the proposed CIP Fund budgeted level in any given budget year.
- To extend the Bay County West Side Regional Sewage Disposal System Contract (the 1978 Contract) for an additional 40 years to meet Rural Development requirements for Hampton Township. **Note: This does not preclude any rights or options which the Local Units have reserved to themselves under the 1978 Contract.**
- To delineate that the BCDWS will support a Local Unit in the Local Unit's efforts to resolve user violations of the Local Unit's Sewer Use Ordinance, a Wastewater Discharge Permit, IPP regulations, and applicable state and federal laws. The BCDWS agrees that it will assist but be subordinate to the Local Unit in all reasonable efforts to satisfactorily resolve a discharge violation in a timely manner within a timeframe that will be dependent upon the nature of the discharge. The BCDWS will become primarily responsible to assure that the applicable Sewer Use Ordinance, Wastewater Discharge Permit, IPP regulations, and applicable state and federal laws are enforced if a Local Unit does not timely resolve a violation and the violation, if allowed to continue, could damage or upset the Wastewater Treatment Plant and/or Sewer System.

05-11-020-A/B

===== A motion was made by Hoverman and seconded by Putt to authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to sign the Resolution of approval for the Sixth Amendment to Bay County West Side Regional Sewage Disposal System.

Ayes: Hoverman, Paige, Putt, Gower, Wasek, and Plant.

Nays: None.

Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

5. Dental Insurance Rates, 2011/2012

Received correspondence from Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. regarding a premium increase, effective July 1st, for township employees enrolled in the dental insurance plan. The employee pays 15% of the premium. The current and new quarterly rates are as follows:

<u>From</u>		<u>To</u>
Employee	\$142.50	\$149.40
Dependent	\$225.00	\$235.20

05-11-021-I/P A motion was made by Gower and seconded by Plant to approve
===== the renewal rates for the township dental insurance plan as
submitted by Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation, effective July 1, 2011.
6 Ayes 0 Nays Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

6. Proposed Ordinance No. 174

The township Planning Commission discussed the application made by Steven Clark to rezone a 7.18 acre parcel in Section 23 from IND, Industrial to LI, Light Industrial on May 2, 2011. The parcel is located on the east side of Garfield Road, south of North Union Road and is land use designated as Light Industrial in the Township General Development Plan. After a brief discussion the planning commission voted to recommend that the township board of trustees rezone the parcel to LI, Light Industrial.

05-11-022-O/P/Z A motion was made by Plant and seconded by Gower to accept
===== the recommendation of the township planning commission to waive
reading, introduce, and authorize publication of proposed Ordinance No. 174, to rezone a
7.18 acre parcel of land in Section 23 from IND, Industrial to LI, Light Industrial.

Ayes: Paige, Putt, Gower, Wasek, Plant, and Hoverman.
Nays: None.
Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

7. Emergency Warning Siren

The Emergency Warning Siren has been discussed at previous meetings. The total cost is \$20,000.00. \$10,000.00 is to be paid by a grant obtained by Bay County. Dow Corning Auburn Site contributed another \$5,000.00 as did their Corporate Site. The warning siren will be erected at the north end of Pine Grove Cemetery.

A signal controller needs to be purchased in order to allow activation from either Bay County or Midland County. The cost should not exceed \$3,000.00 and it has been categorized as a township expense. It is hopeful that Bay County will install the controller.

C. Hoverman asked if Bay County could pay for the controller since the township will be paying for all electric costs. P. Wasek will check with Bay County Emergency Services.

05-11-023-B/E A motion was made by Paige and seconded by Plant to authorize
===== the Supervisor to coordinate the purchase of an American Signal
Controller for the Emergency Warning Siren to be installed at the north end of Pine Grove
Cemetery. The cost of the controller shall not exceed \$3,000.00.

6 Ayes 0 Nays Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

8. Bay Future Agreement for Services

Bay Future, Inc. is a public/private economic development organization in Bay County dedicated to facilitating economic development strategies that promote and secure

opportunities for business retention, growth, and the attraction of new industries that create quality jobs for community residents.

A three year Agreement for services with Bay Future, Inc. was approved in October 2007 with a funding level of \$2,500.00 per year. The township voted to increase funding during the 2011 budget approval process to \$3,500.00 per year.

A three year renewal Agreement for Services was provided for consideration by Magen Trask. The Agreement remains the same as the previously approved Agreement and includes the same Anti-Raiding Policy as requested by Bay County's Townships.

05-11-024-B/E A motion was made by Paige and seconded by Putt to
===== authorize the Supervisor to execute the three year Bay Future, Inc.
Agreement for Services with an annual appropriation level of \$3,500.00.
6 Ayes 0 Nays Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

VII. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

VIII. New Business

There was no new business.

IX. Other Committee Reports

T. Putt reviewed the Fire District Board Meeting and reminded those present of the Annual Recognition Dinner Saturday May 14th.

P. Wasek had a brief update on the Dow Corning SVRE project. No federal funding has been approved at this time.

J. Plant provided an update on recent Recreation Association meetings. Taylor Sullivan has been chosen to be the Summer Program Director. The gun range is open every other weekend during spring and summer months.

X. Adjournment

A motion was made by Hoverman and seconded by Gower to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 p.m.

6 Ayes 0 Nays Excused: Charney. Motion carried.

Williams Charter Township

Pam Reinhardt, Deputy Clerk

Paul Wasek, Supervisor