

Board Meeting
Blackman Charter Township
March 10, 2014

The Blackman Charter Township Board convened at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2014 at the Township Office, 1990 West Parnall Road, Jackson, Michigan.

Members present: Supervisor Jancek, Clerk Sercombe, Treasurer Brockie and Trustees: Brockie, Clingerman and Singer.

Members Absent: Trustee Johns

There were 10 people in attendance. Sign-in sheet is on file.

Motion by Supervisor Jancek with support by Treasurer Brockie to excuse Trustee Rick Johns from the meeting.
Voice Vote Motion Unanimously Approved

CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC Opened at 6:00 p.m.
COMMENTS Closed at 6:02 p.m.

Byren Schroeder spoke on behalf of Jackson Northwest Little league to express the organization's appreciation for the use of Rod Mills Park.

Michael Clingerman thanked the Township board for the long-term commitment to Jackson Northwest Little League.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA -

Supervisor Jancek added Northwest Little League Contract under new business, item #2.
Trustee Brockie added new business item #3; a resolution to be numbered at a later date
Trustee Singer added new business item #4; a resolution to be numbered at a later date
Trustee Clingerman added new business item #5; a resolution to be numbered at a later date
Treasurer Brockie added Cash Summary Report under Treasurer's update.

MINUTES Motion by Trustee Clingerman with support from Trustee Brockie to approve the Board
APPROVAL of Trustee minutes for meetings held on February 6 and February 10, 2014.
Voice Vote Motion Unanimously Approved

CONSENT
AGENDA

1. Approval to pay County National Bank payment for February 2014 in the amount of \$487.67.
Acct: 249-380-740.000 48.29 296-300-939.017 18.86
Acct: 296-300-727.000 355.52 296-300-740.000 65.00
2. Approval to pay MERS in the amount of \$36,573.68 for February 2014 retirement contribution: acct. #296-300-723: \$20,300.66 and acct. #296-000-204: \$16,273.02.
3. Approve payroll for pay date 02/14/2014 in the amount of \$97,091.54 and pay date 02/28/2014 in the amount of \$103,228.52.
4. Approve \$100,000 transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Public Safety Fund during the month of February
5. Approval to HCC Public Risk Claim Service Invoice for Claim #159742 in the amount of \$10,000.
6. Receive Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Month of February 2014.
Motion by Trustee Clingerman with support from Trustee Singer to approve items on consent agenda for payment.
Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

- Reported that Technique Inc. is hiring, anticipating 60 new jobs.

TREASURER'S UPDATE

- Cash Summary Report is available

APPOINT DEPUTY TREASURER Motion by Treasurer Brockie with support from Trustee Clingerman to appoint the permanent Deputy Treasurer at 2nd year level of the matrix which is \$18.50 per hour. Discussion.
Roll Call Yes - 5 No - 1 (Sercombe) Motion Approved

CLERK'S UPDATE

- American Red Cross Blood Drive update. Supervisor Jancek added that the Township Hall was left very clean.

PUBLIC SAFETY

POAM COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGMT Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Trustee Singer to approve a new collective bargaining agreement between the Charter Township of Blackman and the Police Officer's Association of Michigan.
Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

COAM COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGMT Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Treasurer Brockie to approve a new collective bargaining agreement between the Charter Township of Blackman and the Command Officer's Association of Michigan.
Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

2014 DODGE CHARGER Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Trustee Brockie to purchase a 2014 Dodge Charger Police Package under the State of Michigan contract #071B1300010 for \$24,147.00 to be paid from reimbursable expenses line and the drug forfeiture fund.
Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

PROMOTE OFFICER GILLESPIE Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Treasurer Brockie to promote Officer Richard Gillespie to Sergeant, effective Tuesday, March 11, 2014.
Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

RECOGNIZE OFFICER ENGLAND Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Supervisor Jancek to recognize Officer Patrick England as a Senior Public Safety Officer, effective Tuesday, March 11, 2014.
Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

2013 YEAR END PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Trustee Singer to accept the 2013 Year End Public Safety Report.
Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

PLANNING & ZONING

- Nothing new to report

PARKS & RECREATION

- Parks and Recreation Committee is meeting on March 11th. Board Members are invited.

TECHNOLOGY

- New computers have been installed.

UTILITIES

- Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

JDOT 2014
AGREEMENT

Motion by Supervisor Jancek with support from Trustee Singer to approve the Jackson County Road Department Local Road Maintenance Agreement for 2014 to include any adjustments as far as the length of roads and the cost. Discussion.

Roll Call Yes -6 No - 0 Motion Approved

NORTHWEST
LITTLE LEAGUE
CONTRACT

Motion by Treasurer Brockie with support from Trustee Singer to approve the proposed Northwest Little League Agreement between Blackman Charter Township and Northwest Little League.

Roll Call Yes -6 No - 0 Motion Approved

SALARY
RESOLUTION
FOR CLERK
#05-2014-0310

Motion by Trustee Brockie with support from Trustee Clingerman to approve Resolution #05-2014-0310; a resolution adjusting the salary of the Township Clerk to ensure that compensation for this position becomes equitable and commensurate with duties of the said elective office that as of March 10, 2014 the annual salary for the Township Clerk shall be \$49,260.00. Discussion. Clerk Sercombe stated that he does not want a raise.

Roll Call Yes - 4 No - 2 (Jancek, Sercombe) Motion Approved

SALARY
RESOLUTION
FOR TREASURER
#06-2014-0310

Motion by Trustee Singer with support from Trustee Clingerman to approve Resolution #06-2014-0310; a resolution adjusting the salary of the Township Treasurer to ensure that compensation for this position becomes equitable and commensurate with duties of the said elective office, that as of March 10, 2014 the annual salary for the Township Treasurer shall be \$49,260.00. Discussion

Roll Call Yes - 4 No - 2 (Jancek, Sercombe) Motion Approved

SALARY
RESOLUTION
FOR SUPERVISOR
#07-2014-0310

Motion by Trustee Clingerman with support from Trustee Singer to approve Resolution #07-2014-0310; a resolution adjusting the salary of the Township Supervisor to ensure that compensation for the position becomes equitable and commensurate with duties of the said elective office, that as of March 10, 2014 the annual salary for the Township Supervisor shall be \$49,260.00. Discussion. Supervisor Jancek stated that he does not want a raise.

Roll Call Yes - 4 No - 2 (Jancek, Sercombe) Motion Approved

BILLS

Motion by Treasurer Brockie with support from Trustee Clingerman to approve payment of bills on the Board Invoice Approval Report dated 03/04/2014 in the amount of \$56,748.53 and Board Invoice Approval Report dated 03/07/2014 in the amount of \$267,977.26.

Roll Call Yes - 6 No - 0 Motion Approved

EXTENDED
PUBLIC
COMMENT

Opened: 6:50 p.m.

Closed: 6:52 p.m.

Comments by Mike Ambs, Township Resident - informed the board that he is upset with decision to increase the salaries of the three board members and all board members that voted for the wage increases should be recalled. Has been to many meetings and even the budget public hearing and wonders where the money to pay for the increases is going to come from.

OPEN
DISCUSSION

Opened: 6:52 p.m. Closed: 7:04 p.m.

1. Clerk Sercombe questioned where the extra money to pay for the wage increases is supposed to be coming from in the year 2015. Mark Singer reported that industrial business will be bringing in more tax dollars.
2. Trustee Singer noted that he feels that that better pay will make a more qualified and productive township board.
3. Trustee Brockie added that she feels the board came into the job not being compensated properly.
4. Clerk Sercombe informed the Board of Trustees that Treasurer Brockie has been asking for more money for a long time. Trustee Singer added that he himself is the one who has been bringing up the issue for the past few months, not Sherry. Clerk Sercombe reminded Sherry that she has asked for raises during Administrative Committee meetings.
5. Supervisor Jancek voiced his concern about where the budget has \$80,000 for pay increases.

ADJOURN

The Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

David Sercombe, Clerk