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# CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BEDFORD

MAY 8, 2014

## MINUTES

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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BEDFORD  
CONVENED FOR THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING, THURSDAY  
MAY 8, 2014, AT 6:00PM, BEDFORD TOWNSHIP MEETING ROOM  
115. ULDRIKS DRIVE, BATTLE CREEK, MI 49037

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Sprau called the meeting to order.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Audience and Board Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. ROLL CALL

CHRISANDRA DEZOTELL, TREASURER; CONNIE GIBSON, TRUSTEE;  
ANDY JONES, TRUSTEE; RICHARD HARVEY, TRUSTEE; SALLY SHAW,  
TRUSTEE; TOM SPRAU, SUPERVISOR; 6 PRESENT, 1 EXCUSED.

EXCUSED: JOYCE FERACO, CLERK;

### 4. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 10, 2014 MINUTES

Moved by Trustee Harvey, supported by Trustee Gibson, resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bedford Township to approve the April 10, 2014 minutes, as submitted.

Supervisor Sprau asked for any questions, comments or changes, there were none.

### ROLL CALL

CONNIE GIBSON, TRUSTEE; ANDY JONES, TRUSTEE; RICHARD  
HARVEY, TRUSTEE; SALLY SHAW, TRUSTEE; TOM SPRAU,  
SUPERVISOR; CHRISANDRA DEZOTELL, TREASURER;  
6 YES, 0 NO, 1 EXCUSED. MOTION CARRIED.

### 5. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

## **6. COMMUNICATIONS**

## **7. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Concerns about burning trash and burning without burning permits. Will permits be enforced? Chief Cochensparger explained the procedure.

Potholes and road conditions were discussed. Sally Shaw let the public know that a list has been sent to the county and they have begun filling potholes with hot patch material.

## **8. REPORTS**

### **(A) FINANCE**

#### **RES. 5/08/14/01**

Moved by Trustee Harvey, supported by Trustee Shaw, resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bedford Township to approve payment of bills: \$40,320.85.

## **ROLL CALL**

SALLY SHAW, TRUSTEE; TOM SPRAU, SUPERVISOR; CHRISANDRA DEZOTELL, TREASURER; CONNIE GIBSON, TRUSTEE; ANDY JONES, TRUSTEE; RICHARD HARVEY, TRUSTEE;  
6 YES, 0 NO, 1 EXCUSED MOTION CARRIED.

### **(B) PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY**

### **(C) BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

### **(D) LEGISLATIVE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

Commissioner Art Kale, represented the Calhoun County Road Department and answered ongoing road questions.

## **9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **10. PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS**

### **RES. 05/08/14/02**

Moved by Trustee Gibson, supported by Trustee Harvey, resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bedford to excuse Sally Shaw from voting on RES. 05/08/14/03, because it pertains to her salary for the position of Building & Zoning Administrator.

### **ROLL CALL**

ANDY JONES, TRUSTEE; RICHARD HARVEY, TRUSTEE; SALLY SHAW, TRUSTEE - EXCUSED; TOM SPRAU, SUPERVISOR; CHRISANDRA DEZOTELL, TREASURER; CONNIE GIBSON, TRUSTEE;  
5 YES, 0 NO, 2 EXCUSED. MOTION CARRIED.

### **RES. 05/08/14/03**

Moved by Trustee Gibson, supported by Trustee Harvey, resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bedford to approve the appointment of Sally Shaw as the Building & Zoning Administrator at an annual salary of \$19,200. Position will handle zoning compliance issues, initial blight enforcement contact letters, and all building permits on a part-time basis. Position will require 25 hours per week and is a non-benefitted position.

### **ROLL CALL**

RICHARD HARVEY, TRUSTEE; SALLY SHAW, TRUSTEE - EXCUSED;  
TOM SPRAU, SUPERVISOR; CHRISANDRA DEZOTELL, TREASURER;  
CONNIE GIBSON, TRUSTEE; ANDY JONES, TRUSTEE;  
5 YES, 0 NO, 2 EXCUSED. MOTION CARRIED.

**RES. 05/08/14/04**

Moved by Trustee Shaw, supported by Treasurer Dezotell, resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bedford to approve the expenditure of \$73,000, to pay for local road repairs and improvements this fiscal year. Road work to be started during the month of May 2014 and continue until completed. A complete listing of roads to be repaired can be viewed in the Township Office.

**ROLL CALL**

TOM SPRAU, SUPERVISOR; CHRISANDRA DEZOTELL, TREASURER; CONNIE GIBSON, TRUSTEE; ANDY JONES, TRUSTEE; RICHARD HARVEY, TRUSTEE; SALLY SHAW, TRUSTEE; 6 YES, 0 NO, 1 EXCUSED. MOTION CARRIED.

**RES. 05/08/14/05**

Moved by Trustee Shaw, supported by Treasurer Dezotell, resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bedford to approve the amendment of The Bedford Township Sanitary Rate Ordinance. Pursuant to the authority of the statutes of the estate of Michigan, The Charter Township of Bedford, County of Calhoun, State of Michigan, hereby ordains:

1) Section 4 of the Bedford Township Sanitary Rate Ordinance is hereby amended as follows:

Section 4 Rates to be charged for service furnished by the District shall be as follows.

Sewer Use Charge

1. For those properties connected to the Municipal Water System, the rates shall be a Commodity charge of \$2.44 per 100 cubic feet of metered water consumption.

2. Those properties not connected to the Municipal Water System shall be charged a monthly flat Commodity charge of \$2.44 per 100 cubic feet based on

750 cubic feet of consumption. All of the other components shall increase according to the adopted rates.

2) This amendment shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

## **ROLL CALL**

CHRISANDRA DEZOTELL, TREASURER; CONNIE GIBSON, TRUSTEE;  
ANDY JONES, TRUSTEE; RICHARD HARVEY, TRUSTEE; SALLY SHAW,  
TRUSTEE; TOM SPRAU, SUPERVISOR;  
6 YES, 0 NO, 1 EXCUSED. MOTION CARRIED.

## **11. TRUSTEES PERSONAL PRIVILEGE**

Trustee Harvey proposed we change the time of the meetings from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. A vote was cast and will be effective starting with the June 12, 2014 board meeting.

## **12. CITIZENS TIME**

## **13. ANNOUNCEMENT BY CHAIR, CHAIRPERSON OR ELECTED OFFICIAL**

## **14. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED BY TRUSTEE HARVEY, SUPPORTED BY TRUSTEE SHAW, TO  
ADJOURN THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING. UNANIMOUS VOICE  
VOTE.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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THOMAS J. SPRAU, SUPERVISOR

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JOYCE FERACO, CLERK

