

**Charter Township of Canton
Board Proceedings – April 21, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, April 21, 2020 virtually. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams
 Members Absent: None
 Staff Present: Director Smith, Director Trumbull, Director Hohenberger, Kristin Kolb, Deputy Director-Police Baugh, Deputy Director-Fire Stoecklein

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to go into closed session for the purpose of discussion settlement strategy regarding pending litigation in Meier vs. Canton Township at 6:03 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to return to open session at 7:01 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Graham-Hudak to adopt the agenda as amended, adding item G-2. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the proposed March 31, 2020 minutes. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Public comment was held.

Payment of the Bills:

Motion by Slavens, supported by Sneideman to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON EXPENDITURE RECAP FOR THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF April 14, 2020		
101	GENERAL FUND	464,465.60
204	ROADS FUND	2,375.69
206	FIRE FUND	845,373.37
207	POLICE FUND	524,342.20
208	SUMMIT OPERATING (General)	65,209.00
219	STREET LIGHTING	0.00
230	CABLE TV FUND	9,089.83
246	TWP (COMMUNITY) IMPROVEMENT	3,813.61
248	DDA - CANTON	45,954.42
261	E-911 UTILITY	0.00
265	ORGANIZED CRIME - DRUG ENFORCEMENT	45,605.40
274	CDBG	0.00

276	NSP GRANTS FUND	0.00
401	CAP PROJ - ENERGY PROJECT	0.00
402	CAP PROJ - SUMMIT CONSTR	0.00
403	CAP PROJ - ROAD PAVING	467.50
584	GOLF FUND	69,407.04
592	WATER & SEWER FUND	508,227.91
596	SOLID WASTE	325,139.98
661	FLEET	14,685.66
701	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	8,012.66
702	CONSTRUCTION ESCROW	0.00
736	POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	81,127.74
852	SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DEBT	148,479.25
TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		3,161,776.86

Consent Calendar:

Item C-1. Consideration of an Ordinance Repealing Chapter 10 Article II (Teen Clubs) and Article III (Amusement Devices and Arcades), Chapter 14 Article VI (Kennels) and VII Indoor Pet Boarding Facilities), and Chapter 46 Sec. 46-5 (Fortunetelling and Palmistry) of the Canton Code of Ordinances and Holding a second Reading.

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to remove from the table and hold the second reading of an ordinance repealing and replacing Chapter 10 Article II (Teen Clubs) and III (Amusement Devices and Arcades), Chapter 14 Article VI (Kennels) and VII Indoor Pet Boarding Facilities), Chapter 18 (Businesses), and Chapter 46 Sec. 46-5 (Fortunetelling and Palmistry) of the Canton Code of Ordinances. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

General Calendar:

Item G-1. Consider Approval of Emergency Purchase Orders

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the following emergency purchase orders:

- Apollo Fire \$16,823.00**
- Bound Tree Medical \$18,302.83**
- J&B Medical \$11,215.43**
- MioTech \$19,800.00.**

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Item G-2. ~~Consider Adoption of Second Resolution of Canton Township Regarding COVID-19~~ Consider Adoption of Resolution

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneiderman to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON,
MICHIGAN**

Resolution

Whereas Public Safety Director Joshua Meier (“Director Meier”) was hired by the Charter Township of Canton in 1997 and has since served the Township with distinction in a variety of roles;

Whereas in 2012 Director Meier was promoted to the position of Fire Chief, a non-bargaining unit position in which he served the Township admirably and was subject to the Canton Township Merit Employee Policy;

Whereas after four years of distinguished service as Fire Chief, Director Meier was promoted in 2016 to the Position of Director of Public Safety where he continued to serve well the Township, overseeing the operations and management of the Township’s Police and Fire Departments;

Whereas a dispute arose concerning the calculation of Director Meier’s Defined Benefit Pension Benefit, which the Township and Director Meier have agreed to resolve on terms that the parties believe are beneficial to Director Meier and the Township; and

Whereas having resolved Director Meier’s concerns about the pension benefit he has agreed to retire after 23 years of outstanding service and in good standing from employment with the Township based on the purchase of 2.5 years MERS Service Credits; now therefore be it,

Resolved,

1. The Canton Township Board of Trustees, conditioned upon Meier’s acceptance of a Retirement Agreement in a form approved by the Township Attorney and signed by the Township Supervisor and Clerk, and upon Meier’s fulfillment of all conditions set forth in that Agreement, hereby authorizes the purchase of additional service credits for Director Meier, as shown on the attached MERS Service Credit Purchase request form to be executed by the Plan Administrator, and further authorizes a payment of \$75,000.00 to be disbursed in accordance with the Retirement Agreement; and

Further Resolved,

2. that Director Meier’s retirement benefit shall be calculated as provided in the collective bargaining agreement covering members of the Township’s Firefighters Union, which provides for a 2.8% multiplier through June 30, 2013, and a 2.5% multiplier thereafter, but said calculation ending as of the date of adoption of the MERS Service Credit Purchase for Meier; Meier shall also be entitled to FAC Calculation as provided to members of MERS Division 05 who were employed by the Township prior to July 1, 2013 and who are eligible to participate in the

Firefighters Retirement Program as provided in the Firefighters' Collective Bargaining Agreement.
Additional Public comment was held.

Adjourn: Motion by Anthony, supported by Sneideman to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk

Pat Williams, Supervisor