



**Approved
TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday February 6, 2018, 6:00 p.m.**

Supervisor Tausend called the Regular Meeting of the Bridgeport Charter Township Board to order at 6:00 p.m.

Clerk Miller led the pledge to the U. S. Flag.

Roll Call: Gutierrez - A, Thayer - Y, Wilson - A, Secord - A, Tausend - Y, Miller - Y, Williams – Y.

Present: Supervisor Tausend, Clerk Miller, Trustees Thayer, and Williams.

Absent: Treasurer Secord, Trustees Gutierrez and Wilson.

Staff Present: Manager Licht, Building Admin. Wheatley, DPW Water Superintendent Evans, Police Sergeant Roberts, Accounting Supervisor Rachwitz, Planning & Zoning Admin. Sedlar, DDA Coordinator Dobis, Fire Chief Nelson, WWTP Supt. Billingsley, & Admin. Assistant Bennett.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION by Williams, **SECOND** by Thayer, to approve the adoption of the Agenda as presented.
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Williams, **SECOND** by Thayer, to approve the Minutes of January 3, 2018 Regular Meeting as presented.
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

A. SPECIAL ORDERS

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Opened at 6:04 pm

Closed at 6:16 pm

C. COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Parks and Recreation Master Plan

MOTION by Tausend, **SECOND** by Miller, to approve MLR Engineering of Freeland, MI to update our 5-year Parks and Recreation Master Plan to be effective for years 2019 – 2023 for a cost not to exceed \$1,800.00.

Roll Call:

Secord - A, Wilson - A, Williams - Y, Gutierrez, - A, Thayer - Y, Miller Y, Tausend - Y.
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

2. PA116 Exemption – Kern Parcels 09-11-5-26-4001-000, 09-11-5-26-3001-002, 09-11-5-26-1002-000, and 09-11-5-25-3004-001

MOTION by Miller, **SECOND** by Thayer, to approve the PA116 Exemption for Kern's properties on parcels 09-11-5-26-4001-000, 09-11-5-26-3001-002, 09-11-5-26-1002-000, and 09-11-5-25-3004-001 as presented.

Roll Call:

Miller - Y, Wilson - A, Williams - Y, Gutierrez, - A, Thayer - Y, Secord- A, Tausend - Y.
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

These agreements once approved by the state offer income tax credits on their farming operations, and do not affect the property taxes paid to the Township.

3. St. Matthew's Walk/Run for Hunger – September 23, 2018

MOTION by Williams, **SECOND** by Miller, to approve the St. Matthew's Walk/Run Against Hunger to take place on September 23, 2018 as presented.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

This annual Walk/Run for Hunger is on its fourth year in the Township; with each year bringing in more participants and donations for our local food pantries.

4. Township Employee of the Year Award – Jamie Sedlar

Supervisor Tausend presented Jamie Sedlar her employee of the year award for her outstanding dedication and willingness to help anyone in need. She is very thorough and when given an assignment she is spot on with the results she produces.

5. Police Officer of the Year Award – Jeff Roberts

Supervisor Tausend acknowledged Sergeant Roberts on his Police Officer of the Year Award for his willingness to help officers out on any situation. He always puts others before himself and we are

grateful to have him as part of our team at the Bridgeport Township Police Department.

6. Firefighter of the Year Award – Jerry Childs

Jerry Childs will be presented with his award at the March 6th Township Board Meeting along with the firefighter service awards.

7. 2013 Chevrolet Police Tahoe

MOTION by Miller, **SECOND** by Williams, to approve placing the 2013 Police Chevrolet Tahoe for sale with a minimum bid of \$16,000.00.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

8. Police Officers Labor Contract

MOTION by Thayer, **SECOND** by Williams, to approve the Police Union Settlement for a wage increase handled with mediation, which includes a 1% wage increase effective February 1, 2018, and a 1% wage increase effective July 1, 2018.

Roll Call:

Gutierrez - A, Wilson - A, Williams - Y, Secord, - A, Thayer - Y, Miller - Y, Tausend - Y.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

9. Attorney Smith Bovill

MOTION by Thayer, **SECOND** by Williams, to add Smith Bovill to the Township's 2018 approved attorney list.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

F. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

MOTION by Williams, **SECOND** by Thayer, to approve checks #62727 through #62886 in the amount of \$500,651.74 as presented.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

G. BOARD COMMENTS

H. CLOSED SESSION - None

I. ADJOURN

MOTION by Thayer, **SECOND** by Wilson, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Bridgeport Charter Township Board at 6:42 p.m.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 3 Motion Carried

Darlene Miller – Clerk

Augie Tausend – Supervisor