



**TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday August 8, 2018, 6:00 p.m.**

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

Invocation by: Pastor Ted Doolittle of Calvary Community Church

Secord led the pledge to the U. S. Flag.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Present:** Clerk Miller, Treasurer Secord, Trustees Wilson, Williams, Gutierrez and Thayer.

Staff Present: Township Manager Licht, Fire Chief Nelson, Police Chief Duffett, Building Admin. Wheatley, DPW/Water Supt. Evans, Accounting Supervisor Rachwitz, Fire Inspector Boensch, and Assistant Fire Chief Smigiel.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Gutierrez, to approve the adoption of the Agenda as presented.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Williams, **SECOND** by Secord, to approve the Minutes of July 3, 2018 Regular Meeting as amended stating that Gutierrez was in attendance at the meeting.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

- A. SPECIAL ORDERS** – None
- B. PUBLIC COMMENTS** - opened 6:03 closed 6:11
- C. COMMITTEE REPORTS** - None
- D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

## **E. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Ordinance 18-01 Fire Prevention & Protection**

**MOTION** by Wilson, **SECOND** by Gutierrez, to approve setting the date of September 4, 2018 for the consideration of adoption of ordinance 18-01 Fire Prevention and Protection.

Roll Call:

Gutierrez- Y, Wilson - Y, Secord - Y, Williams, - Y, Thayer - Y, Miller - Y, Tausend - A.  
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

### **2. Township Board Meeting Schedule**

**MOTION** by Wilson, **SECOND** by Miller, to approve amending the Township Board Meeting Schedule adding August 28, 2018.

Roll Call:

Gutierrez- Y Wilson - Y, Secord - Y, Williams, - Y, Thayer - Y, Miller- Y, Tausend - A.  
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

### **3. Resolution R18-08 Create Police Protection Special Assessment District**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Williams, to approve Resolution R18-08 creating a special assessment district for the Police Protection Special Assessment.

Roll Call:

Gutierrez- Y, Secord - Y, Williams - Y, Wilson, - Y, Thayer - Y, Miller- Y, Tausend - A.  
Ayes : 6 Nays : 0 Absent : 1 Motion Carried

The special assessment district created will include all non-vacant parcels in the Township. This assessment replaces the 5-year assessment that expires at the end of 2018.

### **4. Resolution R18-09 Ballot Language Police Protection Special Assessment**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Gutierrez, to approve Resolution R18-09 ballot language for the Police Protection Special Assessment for the 2019 tax roll.

Roll Call:

Gutierrez- Y, Secord - Y, Wilson, - Y, Thayer - Y, Williams - Y, Miller- Y, Tausend - A.  
Ayes : 6 Nays : 0 Absent : 1 Motion Carried

The proposed ballot language for the November 6<sup>th</sup> election will read: Shall Bridgeport Charter Township be authorized to raise money by special assessment for the purpose of providing police protection and purchasing and maintaining police vehicles, equipment, and housing, on an annual basis, which assessment is expected to raise \$182,526.68 in its first year, representing an assessment of \$43.67 dollars per non-vacant parcel within the Township?

### **5. Set Public Hearing – Police Protection Special Assessment**

**MOTION** by Williams, **SECOND** by Wilson, to approve setting a Public Hearing date of August 28, 2018, establishing a Police Protection Assessment District, for Police Protection in Bridgeport Charter Township.

Roll Call:

Thayer - Y, Miller - Y, Williams, - Y, Secord - 4, Wilson - 5, Gutierrez - Y, Tausend - A.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

## **6. Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS)**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Williams, to approve the changes for administration divisions 10 & 12 in the MERS Plan moving from a 2.5% multiplier to a 2.25% multiplier with employee contribution increasing by 5%. The new employee contribution rate will be effective 9/1/2018.

Roll Call:

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

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

By making these changes to the retirement plan the Township's unfunded liability will decrease, and they will have less new liability moving forward.

## **7. Generator**

**MOTION** by Wilson, **SECOND** by Miller, to approve hiring Hamilton Electric and Consumers Energy to move the Generator from 6206 Dixie to our new temporary location of 6740 Dixie with a cost not to exceed \$22,000.

Roll Call:

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

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

## **F. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**MOTION** by Gutierrez, **SECOND** by Wilson, to approve checks #63508 through #63681 in the amount of \$352,390.48 as presented.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

## **G. BOARD COMMENTS**

## **H. CLOSED SESSION**

## **I. ADJOURN**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Wilson, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Bridgeport Charter Township Board at 6:41 p.m.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

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Darlene Miller – Clerk

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Darrell Thayer - Trustee