



**TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, August 28, 2018, 6:00 p.m.**

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

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

**Roll Call:**

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

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

Staff Present: Twp. Manager Licht, Police Chief Duffett, Building Admin. Wheatley, Planning & Zoning Admin. Sedlar, Admin. Asst. Bennett, DPW/Water Supt. Evans, and Accounting Supervisor Rachwitz.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Wilson, **SECOND** by Williams, to approve the adoption of the Agenda as amended adding under new business number 2 to set public hearing date of 9/4/18 for truth and taxation.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Williams, **SECOND** by Gutierrez, to approve the Regular Township Board meeting minutes of August 8, 2018 as presented.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

**A. SPECIAL ORDERS**

1. Police Protection Special Assessment Public Hearing

Supervisor Tausend opened the public hearing at 6:05 and asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the Police Protection Special Assessment.

Sharon Metcalf of 4115 State St. spoke in favor of the Police Assessment stating she is willing to help with the police department.

Pat Sharkey of 3430 S. Airport spoke in favor of the change being a retired Police Officer he knows the importance of the department.

Supervisor Tausend asked if anyone would like to speak against the Police Protection Special Assessment.

Bob Fall representing AIS Construction of 4600 Zelle spoke against the assessment stating he was not in favor of a possible increase without the public approval.

Dave Daugherty of 5865 McGrandy wanted clarification regarding the assessment and the public voting process.

Tim Ross of 3622 S. Towerline questioned the assessment process.

Eddie Foxx of 3200 Murrayhill spoke against the assessment stating that any increase should be a vote of the people.

Tom McKnight of 6325 Blackmar is opposed to the increase on property with only a barn on the parcel.

Alberta Culpepper of 3405 Creekwood spoke against the assessment stating there should be another way of generating funds.

Juanita Foxx of 3200 Murray Hill spoke against the ability to have a possible 10% increase with board approval.

Marty Adrian of 2861 Diamond had questions regarding the special assessment.

Cheryl McDonald of 2410 Curtis had questions regarding a breakdown of the costs and concerns about the assessment being open ended.

Police Chief Duffett addressed the questions and concerns of the residents explaining the need for 24/7 coverage in the Township and how crime has decreased because of the added coverage since the original assessment was passed in 2014.

Carol Barnet of 5121 S. Washington questioned the proposal in regards to increasing officers or just maintaining the police staff we currently have in place.

Mike Hildebrandt of 4221 Old King questioned the status of the police staff increase being part of our temporary building.

Earl Bennett of 4345 S. Portsmouth questioned the status of the Township's Temporary Building.

Tom Fleminger of 2529 Gabel spoke against the police assessment because of the open ended assessment.

Supervisor Tausend closed the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

## **B. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment opened at: 7:21. Public comment closed at: 7:23.

**C. COMMITTEE REPORTS** – None

**D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Gutierrez, to approve Resolution R18-10 Police Protection Special Assessment District as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

**2. MOTION** by Wilson, **SECOND** by Wilson, to set public hearing date of 9/4/18 for truth and taxation.

Roll Call:

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

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

**F. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**MOTION** by Secord, **SECOND** by Miller, to approve checks #63682 through #63820 in the amount of \$207,923.56 as presented.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 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 7:30 p.m.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

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Darlene Miller – Clerk

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Augie Tausend - Supervisor