



**TOWNSHIP BOARD  
UNAPPROVED  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday February 5, 2019, 6:00 p.m.**

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

Invocation by: Pastor Ron Sinclair from Bridgeport Community Church

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

**Roll Call:**

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

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

**Absent:** Trustee Wilson.

Staff Present: Twp. Manager Licht, Acting Fire Chief Smigiel, Police Sergeant Roberts, Building Admin. Wheatley, Planning & Zoning Admin. Sedlar, Admin. Asst. Bennett, DPW/Water Supt. Evans, DDA & Parks and Rec Director Wheeler, and Accounting Supervisor Rachwitz. Also, present Fire Inspector Boensch, and Police Officer Myczkowiak.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Williams, 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 Thayer, to approve the Minutes of January 2, 2019 Regular Meeting as presented.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

- A. SPECIAL ORDERS**
- B. PUBLIC COMMENTS** - opened at 6:04 p.m. and closed

at 6:05 p.m.

- C. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** - None
- D. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None
- E. **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Cass River Water Trail Coalition Proposal**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Gutierrez, to approve the Cass River Water Trail Coalition which formalizes the relationship between members of the Cass River Water Trail Coalition allowing the coalition to speak with one voice for the mutually agreed-upon goals.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

DDA Director/Parks & Recreation Director Wheeler addressed the board stating that the coalition proposal is made up of different communities along the Cass River including Vassar, Bridgeport, Frankenmuth, and Saginaw. Two new canoe kayak launches were recently added, and the coalition is working on getting national & state water trail designation for the Cass River.

### **2. Fire Chief Nelson Retirement**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Thayer, to acknowledge Fire Chief Pat Nelson's retirement from the Township; and to thank him for his 27 years on the department.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

### **3. Fire Chief Position – Dave Smigiel**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Thayer, to appoint Dave Smigiel as the Bridgeport Township Fire Chief.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

### **4. Employee of the Year Awards**

Supervisor Tausend presented the employee of the year award to Pat Nelson. Sergeant Roberts presented the police officer of the year award to Eric Myczkowiak, and Chief Smigiel presented the firefighter of the year award to Andrew Leidel. There will be a formal ceremony recognizing the employees at the Annual Birch Run/Bridgeport Chamber Award Dinner Reception on February 20, 2019.

### **5. Fire Department Awards**

Fire Chief Smigiel presented an achievement award to Andrew Smigiel for fifteen years of service on the fire department.

### **6. Firefighter/Code Enforcement Officer Job Description**

**MOTION** by Tausend, **SECOND** by Miller, to approve the Firefighter/Code Enforcement Officer Job Description as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

**F. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**MOTION** by Secord, **SECOND** by Thayer, to approve checks #64460 through #64559 in the amount of \$393,324.81 as presented.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

**G. BOARD COMMENTS**

**H. CLOSED SESSION**

**I. ADJOURN**

**MOTION** by Miller, **SECOND** by Secord, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Bridgeport Charter Township Board at 6:34 p.m.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried

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Darlene Miller – Clerk

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Augie Tausend - Supervisor