

**Charter Township of Canton
Board Proceedings – January 9, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, January 9, 2024, in-person. Supervisor Graham-Hudak called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Members Present: Borninski, Foster, Ganguly, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman
Members Absent: none

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the minutes from December 12th and 19th, 2023.
Motion carried unanimously.

Payment of Bills:

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

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON EXPENDITURE RECAP FOR THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF December 26, 2023		
101	GENERAL FUND	1,001,913.55
204	ROADS FUND	1,193,557.75
206	FIRE FUND	300,645.79
207	POLICE FUND	472,020.17
208	COMMUNITY CENTER FUND	84,554.81
219	STREET LIGHTING FUND	25,935.50
230	CABLE TV FUND	12,414.52
246	COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND	2,118,320.18
248	DDA - CANTON	153,234.81
260	INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	34,014.27
261	E-911 UTILITY	598.44
265	ORGANIZED CRIME - DRUG ENFORCEMENT	0.00
274	CDBG FUND	2,418.23
276	NSP GRANTS FUND	0.00
284	OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND	592.73
285	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT	0.00
301	ENERGY PROJECT DEBT SVCE FUND	0.00
302	CAPITAL PROJECT DEBT SERVICE	0.00
401	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	36,481.00
402	CAP PROJ - WATER & SEWER	0.00
403	CAP PROJ - ROAD PAVING	0.00

404	CAP PROJECT - CHV DEVELOPMENT	0.00
584	GOLF FUND	32,348.01
592	WATER & SEWER FUND	489,359.68
596	GARBAGE & RUBBISH COLLECTIONS	1,509.87
661	FLEET MAINTENANCE FUND	60,219.61
701	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	43,994.47
702	CUSTODIAL FUND	0.00
736	POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FUND	128,953.40
852	SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DEBT SERVICE	0.00
TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		6,193,086.79

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON EXPENDITURE RECAP FOR THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF January 9, 2023		
101	GENERAL FUND	733,922.16
204	ROADS FUND	49,265.57
206	FIRE FUND	489,697.47
207	POLICE FUND	1,249,392.98
208	COMMUNITY CENTER FUND	65,429.88
219	STREET LIGHTING FUND	0.00
230	CABLE TV FUND	8,743.42
246	COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND	0.00
248	DDA - CANTON	5,569.58
260	INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	0.00
261	E-911 UTILITY	445.00
265	ORGANIZED CRIME - DRUG ENFORCEMENT	0.00
274	CDBG FUND	175.00
276	NSP GRANTS FUND	0.00
284	OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND	1,654.36
285	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT	0.00
301	ENERGY PROJECT DEBT SVCE FUND	0.00
302	CAPITAL PROJECT DEBT SERVICE	0.00
401	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	552,172.61
402	CAP PROJ - WATER & SEWER	0.00
403	CAP PROJ - ROAD PAVING	24.00
404	CAP PROJ - CHV DEVELOPMENT	0.00
584	GOLF FUND	13,583.98
592	WATER & SEWER FUND	1,458,822.24
596	GARBAGE & RUBBISH COLLECTIONS	410,741.02
661	FLEET MAINTENANCE FUND	19,466.05
701	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	4,912.50
702	CUSTODIAL FUND	0.00
736	POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FUND	2,615,584.65
852	SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DEBT SERVICE	0.00
TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		7,679,602.47

Public Comment: Public comment was held.

Resolution:

Item R-1. Resolution Opposing the Salem Township Application for Wastewater Treatment Facility on Fellows Creek

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the resolution as presented.

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

Resolution Opposing the Salem Township Application for Wastewater Treatment Facility on Fellows Creek

Whereas Canton Township borders Salem Township and is downstream from the proposed Salem Township Urban Service District Wastewater Treatment Plant;

Whereas this proposed sewage plant will discharge 840,000 gallons of flow each day into the Fellows Creek which runs through Canton Township and into the lower Rouge River;

Whereas the discharge of this treated wastewater to the Fellows Creek headwaters will have a detrimental impact to the stream's water quality by altering its flow regime, water temperature and geomorphology, which will affect the benthic macroinvertebrate and fish populations present in the Creek;

Whereas the Salem Springs project would create additional impervious surfaces in the Rouge Watershed, and increased stormwater flows. Sedimentation and nonpoint source pollution associated with the stormwater runoff could also negatively impact Fellows Creek water quality, and also increase the potential of downstream flooding;

Whereas the proposed sewage facility may increase the likelihood of compelled discharge of untreated wastewater into the Fellows Creek which may contain various contaminants, including pathogens and chemicals that could pose health risks to anyone who comes into contact with the water. These contaminants could lead to gastrointestinal illnesses, skin infections, and other waterborne diseases;

Whereas during the early hours of August 24, 2023, Canton Township experienced a historic flooding event that resulted in both a Wayne County and Canton Township declaration of a State of Emergency and a Wayne County Health Advisory due to the compelled discharge of untreated wastewater;

Whereas significant annual rainfall events are up 42% in the Midwest since the 1950s and higher groundwater and lake levels make drainage even more difficult;

Whereas the Fellows Creek is the largest drain in Canton Township, with over 14,000 houses; and

Whereas Fellows Creek runs through the Downtown Development District and major commercial corridor Ford Rd. in a Community with a taxable value assessed at over \$4.8 billion; *now, therefore be it;*

Resolved the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton opposes the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy proposed permit for the Salem Township Urban Service District Wastewater Treatment Plant and instead encourages Salem Township to work with surrounding communities on an alternative solution; and

Further Resolved it is not the goal of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton to stop development in Salem Township, but rather to address wastewater in the most economical and environmentally responsible way possible for the residents of both Waster Wayne County and Washtenaw County, which could include sending the water directly to the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority where it could be treated.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Calendar:

Item C-1. Consider Payment by Account for the Lower Rouge River Trail Pedestrian Bridge Deck Replacement

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve payment by account for the Lower Rouge River Trail Pedestrian Bridge decking replacement in the amount of \$980 to Carpentry Concepts and Ceilings, LLC 18786 Susanna Livonia, MI 48152. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C-2. Consider Approval of the Resolution for the WCDPS 2024 Annual Permit Package for Work Within the Wayne County Right-of-Way in 2024

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve Permit A-24093 allowing for the purpose of inspection, repair and routine maintenance for sanitary sewers and water mains, installation of water service connections, application of dust palliatives and repair and replacement of existing sidewalks including pavement repair and restoration. Furthermore, allowing the township to perform special events such as parades, festival celebrations and similar activities to temporarily close a county road. To use a road as a detour for traffic around such activity taking place even on a non-county road, and placement of a temporary banner within the right-of-way in 2024 and authorize the Township Clerk as the designated officer to sign the 2024 Annual Permit for Wayne County Department of Public Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C-3. Consider Application for the 2024 Annual MDOT Maintenance Permit

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the 2024 Annual Permit application for Underground Utility Operations within the Michigan Department of Transportation right-of way; and further authorize the Engineering Services staff to attach insurance documents to the on-line application for the permit. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C-4. Consider Approval of Application for MLCC Special Liquor Licenses

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at the events listed in the background and furthermore; I move to approve the attached resolution:

I move to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at the Shine and Thrive event on Friday, March 15, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That the Charter Township of Canton, through its duly elected officers, make an application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption to be in effect on Friday, March 15, 2024 located at 50755 Cherry Hill Rd., Suite 10, Canton, MI 48188 and that the Township Supervisor and Clerk be authorized to sign and submit this application.

I further move to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at the Liberty Festival on June 13-15, 2024, and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That the Partnership for the Arts, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on June 13-15, 2024 during Liberty Festival at Heritage Park located at 1010 Canton Center Rd, Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne.

I further move to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at the Thursday Night LIVE concerts being held on June 27, July 11, July 18, July 25, August 1, August 8, and August 15, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That Maraschino's Bar & Restaurant, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on the following dates during the Thursday Night Live concerts at Heritage Park located at 1010 Canton Center Rd, Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne.

- June 27, 2024
- July 11, 2024
- July 18, 2024
- July 25, 2024
- August 1, 2024
- August 8, 2024
- August 15, 2024

I further move to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at the Pride OUTside Event being held at the amphitheater stage in Heritage Park on July 13, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That Maraschino's Bar & Restaurant, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on July 13, 2024 during the Pride Outside Event at Heritage Park Amphitheater located at 1010 Canton Center Rd, Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne.

I further move to approve the sale and consumption of alcohol at the Concert & Cars event being held at the Village Arts Factory on Wednesdays beginning July 17, 2024 through August 7, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That the Partnership for the Arts, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on the following dates during the Concert & Cars event located at 50755 Cherry Hill Rd., Suite 10, Canton, MI 48188

- July 17, 2024
- July 24, 2024
- July 31, 2024
- August 7, 2024

I further move to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at The Rally on Ridge event on Friday, July 26, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That the Charter Township of Canton, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Friday, July 26, 2024 at Ridge Road and Cherry Hill in Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne and that the Township Supervisor and Clerk be authorized to sign and submit this application.

I further move to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at “Brew, Brats & Bands” fundraiser on Saturday, September 14, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That the Partnership for the Arts, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Saturday, September 14, 2024 in Preservation Park located at 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne.

I further move to approve the sale and consumption of alcohol at the Artoberfest event being held at the Village Arts Factory on Saturday, September 28, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That the Partnership for the Arts, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Saturday, September 28, 2024 at the Village Arts Factory located at 50755 Cherry Hill Rd., Suite 10, Canton, MI 48188

I further move to approve the sale and consumption of alcohol at the Christmas in the Village event being held at the Village Arts Factory on Saturday, December 7, 2024; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted:

That the Partnership for the Arts, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Saturday, December 7, 2024 at the Village Arts Factory located at 50755 Cherry Hill Rd., Suite 10, Canton, MI 48188

Motion carried unanimously.

Item C-5. Consider Approval of Payment to Airgas for Oxygen and Tank Rentals Provided in Excess of the 2023 Blanket Purchase Order

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve an additional payment to Airgas in the amount of \$2,837.04, for services rendered in excess of the approved blanket purchase order #2023-00000442.

Motion carried unanimously.

General Calendar:

Item G-1. Consider First Reading of an Amendment to Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances Regarding Top Canton, LLC Conditional Rezoning

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to introduce and hold the first reading of the proposed amendment, with conditions, to Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton as provided in the attached ordinance and Conditional Rezoning Statement of Conditions of Planning Application #047-COND-7874, which rezones five (5) parcels located on the north side of Ford Rd. between I-275 and Lotz Rd. to C-3, Regional Commercial and Central Business District Overlay, as the proposal meets the standards of Section 27.07 and Section 27.06(D)(4) of the Zoning Ordinance, further, to table consideration of the amendment for a second reading on January 23, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-2. Consider Approval to Accept the Out-of-School Time (OST) Learning Grant

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to amend the budget as stated in the Budgets Implications & Account Number section of the RBA and accept the Out-of-School Time Learning Grant in the amount of \$84,197 to be used toward new and expanded recreational programming in 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-3. Consider Approval to Accept the Urban and Community Forestry Grant

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to amend the budget as stated in the Budgets Implications & Account Number section of the RBA and accept the Urban and Community Forestry Grant in the amount of \$20,000 to be used toward planting new trees in community parks in 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-4. Consider a Request to Extend the Contract with TDK Advisors, LLC

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve a contract extension with TDK Advisors, LLC through December 31, 2025, in an amount of \$24,000 per year, not to exceed \$48,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-5. Consider Approval of a Purchase Order to OHM Advisors for the Engineering, Bid Documents and Owner's Representation for Preservation Park

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve waiving the bidding process, amend the budget as stated in the Budget Implications & Account Number section of the RBA and award the engineering, bid documents and owner's representation for Preservation Park renovations in an amount not to exceed \$169,200 to OHM Advisors. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-6. Consider Approving the Payment of the 2023 Fire Department On-Site Physical Examinations

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the payment of the on-site medical services for firefighter physicals, in the amount of \$53,346, with funds from the 2023 Fire Department budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-7. Consider Approving the Police Academy Costs for Two Candidates

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the sponsorship of two candidates to the Wayne County Regional Police Training Center starting in January 2024, in the amount of \$15,246. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-8. Consider Accepting a Justice Assistance Grant and an Associated Amendment to the 2024 Police Budget

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the acceptance of a Justice Assistance Grant for specified equipment through the U.S. Department of Justice, in the amount of \$11,426. Additionally, I move to approve an amendment to the 2024 Police budget, increasing revenues and expenses in the same amount. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-9. Consider Awarding Bid to Print the Focus Newsletter

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the bid for printing the monthly FOCUS Newsletter with VTEC., for a 12-month period, for \$46,080, plus an additional \$2,000 to cover any special inserts; and further, that pursuant to the bid specifications, the bid may be extended for an additional two-year period upon mutual agreement of VTEC and Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sneideman, supported by Siegrist to approve two Clerk mailings in 2024 not to exceed \$3480 per printing. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-10. Consider Request to Approve Contract of the Deputy Supervisor and Chief Counsel

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the employment contract and related budget amendments included for the Deputy Supervisor and Chief Counsel. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Public comment was held.
Additional Board comment was held.

Adjourn: Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk

Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, Supervisor