

**Charter Township of Canton
Board Proceedings – July 23, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, July 23, 2024, in-person. Supervisor Graham-Hudak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to adopt the agenda with the addition of Item #G-9. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Ganguly to approve the minutes from July 9, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Public comment was held.

Payment of Bills:

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

	CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON	
	EXPENDITURE RECAP FOR THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF	
	July 23, 2024	
101	GENERAL FUND	1,252,475.92
204	ROADS FUND	9,516.30
206	FIRE FUND	206,121.57
207	POLICE FUND	236,384.44
208	COMMUNITY CENTER FUND	48,348.16
219	STREET LIGHTING FUND	0.00
230	CABLE TV FUND	6,589.93
246	COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND	0.00
248	DDA - CANTON	74,334.36
260	INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	0.00
261	E-911 UTILITY	860.92
265	ORGANIZED CRIME - DRUG ENFORCEMENT	0.00
274	CDBG FUND	1,325.12
276	NSP GRANTS FUND	0.00
284	OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND	1,874.66
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	0.00
402	CAP PROJ - WATER & SEWER	0.00
403	CAP PROJ - ROAD PAVING	0.00
404	CAP PROJ - CHV DEVELOPMENT	11,080.00
584	GOLF FUND	38,772.24
592	WATER & SEWER FUND	1,917,833.65
596	GARBAGE & RUBBISH COLLECTIONS	4,910.66
661	FLEET MAINTENANCE FUND	30,902.07
701	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	782.32
702	CUSTODIAL FUND	22,158.70
736	POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FUND	1,335.94
852	SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DEBT SERVICE	0.00
	TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	3,865,606.96

Consent Calendar:

Item C-1. Consider Increasing One Blanket Purchase Order for Municipal Services

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the budget amendment listed above and to increase the Williams Emergency Vehicles blanket purchase order from \$40,000 to \$80,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C-2. Consider Awarding a Contract and Purchase Order to Remove and Replace the 2nd Floor Carpeting at the Summit on the Park

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the above listed budget amendment, and approve a purchase order and contract for Office Express, Inc., in the amount of \$11,426.58 to Remove and Replace the 2nd Floor Carpeting at the Summit on the Park. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C-3. Request Approval of Cisco VoIP Licensing and Support Renewal

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the Cisco VoIP Telephone system licensing renewal and creation of a PO in an amount not to exceed \$59,655.60. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C-4. Consider Approving the Annual Subscription Renewal of GrayKey

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the annual license subscription renewal of GrayKey Essentials, from Magnet Forensics, LLC, in the amount of \$11,820. Motion carried unanimously.

General Calendar:

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to amend the agenda by moving item #G-7 to #G-1 and item #G-6 to #G-2. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-1. Consider Approval of Donation Agreement to acquire vacant land on Morton Taylor and authorize the Township Supervisor to sign all documents necessary to complete acquisition.

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the Donation Agreement for the acquisition of 27 acres of vacant land located on Morton Taylor in Canton Township as described in the Donation Agreement, and to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign all documents necessary to complete the acquisition. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-2. Consideration of Resolution Establishing Zheshkwédokan Nature Area with Preservation Status Under Section 50-3 of the Canton Code of Ordinances Titled “Open space and nature area preservation”

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the following resolution naming Zheshkwédokan Nature Area:

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

Approval of a Resolution Naming Zheshkwédokan Nature Area

Whereas the Charter Township of Canton is a desirable place to live, work and visit in large part due to the presence of open space lands;

Whereas Marketplace of America owns roughly 27 acres of undeveloped land adjacent to the Lower Rouge Trail zoned R-2, which could potentially permit the building of up to 54 single family homes;

Whereas Marketplace of America has indicated it would like to donate the land to Canton for a public purpose and the Township Board of Trustees would like to preserve this forest and green space;

Whereas development has affected the quality of life in Canton leading to fragmented open space and wildlife habitat, loss of productive farmland and forestland, destruction of rural beauty, and the loss of wetlands;

Whereas the Board of Trustees indicated it wanted to pay homage to inhabitants of the land prior to European settlement by naming open spaces and parks;

Whereas before the French and British came in the 1600s, Michigan was home to several tribes. Michigan’s three largest tribes are the Ojibwe, Odawa and the Potawatomi (Bode’wadmi);

Whereas the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians Representation Outreach Board voted to recommend the name Zheshkwédokan for the parcel designated to be honored, which means Place of Mushrooms; and

Whereas the Board of Trustees has established Healthy Environment as one of its strategic goals; now, therefore, be it;

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton does hereby name the subject parcel adjacent to the Lower Rouge Rive Trail “Zheshkwédokan Nature Area” and preserves the land under Section 50-3 of the Canton Code of Ordinances titled “Open Space and

Nature Area Preservation.”

Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-3. Consider Approval to Purchase OpenGov Asset Management Software

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the above listed Budget Amendment to the 2024 Water and Sewer Budget and Submit a Purchase Order to Vertosoft/OpenGov in the amount of \$105,712. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-4. Consider Waiving the Bidding Process and Approve a Contract and Purchase Order for the Replacement of Patio Concrete at the Summit on the Park

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to waive the bidding requirement of the purchasing policy and approve the contract and purchase order for Rotondo Construction Corp., in the amount of \$44,000 for the Replacement of Patio Concrete at the Summit on the Park. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-5. Consider Awarding a Contract and Purchase Order for the HVAC Replacement at the Bartlett-Travis House

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the contract and approve a purchase order for All-City Mechanical, in the amount of \$20,662 for the HVAC replacement Bartlett-Travis House. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-6. Consider Approval to Expand Fiber Connectivity at Township Facilities

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve a five-year contract with Crown Castle Fiber, LLC for the use of fiber network infrastructure. I further move to approve the creation of a purchase order for \$270,000 for fiber connectivity buildout. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to amend the motion to include the budget adjustment. Both motions carried unanimously.

Item G-7. Consideration of Resolution Establishing Warren Wetlands Nature Area with Preservation Status Under Section 50-3 of the Canton Code of Ordinances Titled “Open space and nature area preservation”

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the following resolution naming Warren Wetlands Nature Area:

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

Approval of a Resolution Naming Warren Wetland Nature Area

Whereas the Charter Township of Canton is a desirable place to live, work and visit in large part due to the presence of open space lands;

Whereas development has affected the quality of life in Canton leading to fragmented open space and wildlife habitat, loss of productive farmland and forestland, destruction of rural beauty, and the loss of wetlands;

Whereas prior to United States Settlement and agricultural practices, much of Canton was covered in marshes and natural flowing creeks that fed into the Rouge River, a remnant of its time under the proglacial Lake Whittlesey;

Whereas these wetlands were emptied by the creation of agricultural drains, in large part due to the U.S. Swamp Land Acts of 1849 and 1850 which brought federal funding to encourage drainage to make swamp areas in the Midwest more habitable;

Whereas the natural water course of the creeks, streams, and rivers in Canton were altered, while most pasture and forest were converted to farmland and eventually residential and commercial development leading to decades of unregulated stormwater runoff;

Whereas in modern times, the focus has been away from increased flow an capacity to watershed management, retention and detention, and water quality improvements; Whereas a 3.425-acre conservation easement with the Department of Natural Resources was placed on Tax Parcel 71 011 99 0020 701 and a wetland mitigation and reclamation project was started in 1992;

Whereas stormwater runoff and flooding has been an increased problem for Canton, in large part due to the antiquated drain system that was designed prior to current best practices and Canton needs to highlight environmental initiatives designed to address these issues; and

Whereas the Board of Trustees has established Healthy Environment as one of its strategic goals; now, therefore, be it;

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton does hereby name the subject parcel at Sheldon and Warren Roads “Warren Wetland Nature Area” and preserve the land in accordance with Section 50-3 of the Canton Code of Ordinances.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-8. Consider approval of resolution approving settlement agreement in opioid litigation involving Kroger

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the resolution approving the settlement agreement in opioid litigation involving Kroger and authorize the Township Supervisor to sign any necessary documents in order to effectuate the settlement.

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

Authorizing Entry of Participation Agreement in the Kroger National Opioid Settlement

Whereas the Charter Township of Canton filed a lawsuit in the United States District Court to address the public nuisance that is the Opioid Epidemic, which named, among other companies, the following Defendant (“Settling Defendant”): 1. Kroger; and

Whereas the Proposed Settlements contain significant equitable and monetary relief with Canton Township’s share to be 0.002635381672%; now, therefore, be it;

Resolved, that the Charter Township of Canton authorizes the execution of Participation Agreement for:
1. the Kroger Settlement Agreement

Motion carried unanimously.

Item G-9. Consider Awarding a Contract and PO to AM HIGLEY for the Purchase of Prefabricated Steel and Steel Erection for the Public Works Storage Facility Expansion

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to award a purchase order and contract to AM. HIGLEY for the purchase of a prefabricated steel building and the erection of that building. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Public comment was held.

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

Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk

Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, Supervisor