

**Charter Township of Canton  
Board Proceedings - November 26, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Graham-Hudak called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present: All

Members Absent:

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Ganguly to adopt the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/FORMAL RESOLUTIONS**

- 1) Resolution to recognize November as Native American Heritage Month and celebrating the heritages and cultures of Native Americans and the contributions of Native Americans to Canton Township.

Motion by Ganguly, supported by Foster to adopt the resolution as presented to recognize November as Native American Heritage Month and celebrating the heritages and cultures of Native Americans and the contributions of Native Americans to Canton Township.

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

**Resolution to recognize November as Native American Heritage Month and celebrating the heritages and cultures of Native Americans and the contributions of Native Americans to Canton Township**

Whereas the United States celebrates the month of November as National Native American Heritage Month, an opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of Native Americans to the history of the United States;

Whereas Native Americans speak and preserve indigenous languages, which have contributed to the English language by being used as names of individuals and locations throughout the United States and Michigan;

Whereas Native Americans have moving stories of tragedy, triumph, and perseverance to be shared with future generations;

Whereas the influence of the Iroquois Confederacy (Haudenosaunee) on the Founding Fathers was instrumental in the drafting of the Constitution of the United States with the concepts of freedom of speech, separation of governmental powers, and a system of checks and balances between the branches of government;

Whereas the State of Michigan derives its name from the Algonquin word Michigama, meaning “great water”;

Whereas the land that is Canton Township was ceded to the United States on November 17, 1807, with the signing of the Treaty of Detroit, between the United States and the Ottawa (Odawa), Chippewa (Ojibwe), Wyandot (Wandat) and Potawatomi (Bodéwadmik) Native American nations;

Whereas Canton Township recognizes the presence of the three major groups in Michigan today, the Chippewa, Ottawa, and Potawatomi, who have lived upon this land since time immemorial, and values the progress our society has accomplished through Native American thought and culture;

Whereas Tonquish Creek, which runs through Canton Township, is named after the Potawatomi Chief whose band inhabited the lands prior to United States settlement in the 1820s;

Whereas the Potawatomi tribes in the Midwest were forcibly removed from their ancestral homelands by order of the U.S. government, resulting in the Potawatomi Trail of Death;

Whereas Canton Township’s history as the Sweet Corn Capital of Michigan could not have been possible without the domestication and cultivation of wild corn by the Anishinaabe people;

Whereas Canton Township has reason to honor the great achievements and contributions of Native Americans and their ancestors;

Whereas in the spring of 2023, the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians Representation Outreach Board voted to recommend the name Zibiwés, which means creek, for the parcel at Ford and Ridge Road and the trustees designated to name the parcel at Zibiwes Nature Area; and;

Whereas in July 2024, the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians Representation Outreach Board voted to recommend the name Zheshkwédokan, which means Place of Mushrooms, for the 27 acres of undeveloped parcel adjacent to the Lower Rouge Trail and the trustees designated to name the parcel at Zheshkwédokan nature area; now, therefore be it;

Resolved, the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Canton does hereby recognize the month of November as Native American Heritage Month and urges the people of Canton Township to observe Native American Heritage Month with appropriate programs and activities.

Motion carried unanimously

- 2) Presentation of Chamber Membership Award

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

## **BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS**

- 1) Canton Cares Fund Annual Report
- 2) Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage Annual Report

## **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Public Comment was held.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1) Approval of minutes from July 30, October 15, and November 12, 2024

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the minutes from July 30, October 15, and November 12, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT/PAYMENT OF BILLS**

- 1) Payment of Bills November 27, 2024

Motion by Slavens, supported by Ganguly to pay the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the consent calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1) Consider Request to Increase Blanket Purchase Order for Applied Innovation (ITI)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve increasing blanket purchase order 2024-652 issued to Applied Innovation by \$10,000 to accommodate the remaining maintenance fees for 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2) Consider Approving an Increase to the Blanket Purchase Order Issued to AccuMed Billing Inc. (FIRE)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve increasing the blanket purchase order issued to AccuMed Billing Inc. by \$10,000. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3) Consider Approving an Increase to the Blanket Purchase Order Issued to Airgas Great Lakes (FIRE)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to Approve increasing blanket purchase order 2024-00000299, issued to Airgas Great Lakes by \$3,000. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4) Consider Approval of 2025 Building Board of Appeals Meeting Dates (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to Establish the Canton Township's Building Board of Appeals meeting schedule for the year 2025. Meetings will be scheduled as needed and will be held at the Charter Township of Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center

Road. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5) Consider Approval of a Purchase Order Increase for Suburban Calcium Chloride Sales (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve an increase to purchase order #2024-00000619 from \$20,000 to \$20,160 to Suburban Calcium Chloride Sales. Motion carried unanimously.

- 6) Consider 2025 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to set the 2025 Planning Commission Meeting schedule at 7:00 p.m. on the dates recommended by the Planning Commission at its meeting on November 18, 2024, subject to amendment by the Planning Commission as necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Consider 2025 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Schedule (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to set the 2025 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting schedule for 7:00 p.m. on the following dates: January 9<sup>th</sup>, February 13<sup>th</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup>, May 8<sup>th</sup>, June 12<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, August 14<sup>th</sup>, September 11<sup>th</sup>, October 9<sup>th</sup>, November 13<sup>th</sup>, and December 11<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

- 8) Consider Purchase Order for Nearmap Aerial Imagery Subscription Renewal (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the issuance of a 2025 purchase order in the amount of \$12,000 to Nearmap. Motion carried unanimously.

- 9) Consider Second Reading of Amendments to Chapter 54 of the Canton Code of Ordinances entitled “Peddlers and Solicitors” (Supervisor)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to remove from the table, hold second reading, and adopt amendments to Chapter 54 of the Canton Code of Ordinances, entitled “Peddlers and Solicitors” to be effective December 02, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

## **GENERAL CALENDAR**

- 1) Consider Authorization of a Purchase Order for Wade Trim to Perform Professional Engineering Services and Survey Work. (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to waive the purchase policy which requires at least three proposals and award this work directly to Wade Trim and to approve a Purchase Order for Wade Trim to perform professional engineering services and survey work for the Canton Township Hydrologic & Hydraulic Analysis PAS Study in the amount of \$89,000. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2) Consider Approving a Proposal for Village Arts Factory Parking Lot Improvements Design (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to accept the attached Fishbeck proposal for the Village Arts Factory Parking Lot Improvements Design and to issue a purchase order for the above-described amount. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3) Establish Board of Trustees Meeting Dates for 2025 and Consider Closing the Canton Township Administration Building on December 26, 2025 (Clerk)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to establish the Canton Township Board of Trustees meeting schedule for the year 2025 as follows: The Township Board shall meet on the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth Tuesdays of each month in regular session, excluding April 1, May 27<sup>th</sup> June 3, September 23 and to approve the closure of the Administration Building on December 26, 2025. On the first, third and fifth Tuesdays, the Township Board shall meet in a work or study session at 6:00 p.m. and all other meetings shall be at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are normally held in the Board of Trustees meeting room on the First Floor of the Charter Township of Canton Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center South, Canton, Michigan. Meetings may be canceled based on the needs of the Township. All adjustments to this schedule to be posted individually on the Canton Website as well as posted on the Announcement Boards at the Township Administration Building. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4) Consider Approval of Flodin Park Tennis Court Resurfacing (CLS)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve waiving the bid and submitting a 2025 purchase order to Tennis Courts Unlimited, Inc for the Tennis Court Restoration at Flodin Park for a total cost of \$14,500. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5) Consider Approval of Updated Investment Policy (Treasurer)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Bornisnki to approve the updated investment policy. Motion carried unanimously.

- 6) Authorize Canton Township to join legal action against the Michigan Public Service Commission's (MSPC) Order interpreting Public Act 233 of 2023 (PA 233) (Supervisor)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to authorize Foster Swift to file an appeal, or other appropriate legal action, on Canton's behalf to challenge the Michigan Public Service Commission's October 10, 2024 Order interpreting Public Act 233 and allowing the Township Supervisor to sign all necessary documents to join Canton Township with other Michigan municipalities in the legal action challenging the Michigan Public Service Commission's Order interpreting PA 233. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Consider an Appointment to the Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council. (Supervisor)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the appointment of Trina Robertson to the Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council for a three-year term to expire on 12/31/2027. Motion carried unanimously.

## **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS**

## **BOARD COMMENT**

## **ADJOURN**

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

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Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk

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Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, Supervisor