

**Charter Township of Canton
Board Proceedings - December 9, 2025**

6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, 12/9/2025, at 1150 Canton Center Rd. S., Canton Michigan. This meeting was called to order by Supervisor Graham-Hudak at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Ansari, Borninski, Ganguly, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens

Members Absent: Foster

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to enter into closed session to consult with counsel regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with Outdoor One vs Canton Township under Section 8(e) and for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement under Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to return from closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1) Discuss Pending Litigation (Outdoor One vs. Canton Township)
- 2) Update on Union Negotiations

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/FORMAL RESOLUTIONS

PUBLIC HEARING

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Held.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1) Approval of Minutes for November 18, 2025

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT/PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Slavens, supported by Borninski to approve the bills from November 26, 2025 and December 10, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1) Payment of Bills 11-26-25
- 2) Payment of Bills 12-10-25

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- 1) Request for Resolution of Local Body of Government to Recognize "Independent Living Alliance", as a Nonprofit in the Community for the Purposes of Making an Application for a "Charitable Gaming License" to the Michigan Gaming Control board. (Clerk)

Approve the resolution for the "Independent Living Alliance," 26050 Orchard Lake Road Suite 100, Farmington Hills, MI 48334, to be recognized as a non-profit organization for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.

- 2) Consider 2026 Meeting Dates for the Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage (CLS/CD)

Establish the 2026 Canton Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage meeting schedule beginning at 6:00 p.m., held quarterly on the following dates:

February 12, 2026
May 14, 2026
September 10, 2026
November 12, 2026

- 3) Consider Approval of 2026 Building Board of Appeals Meeting Dates (MSD)

Establish the Canton Township's Building Board of Appeals meeting schedule for the year 2026. Meetings will be scheduled as needed and will be held at the Charter Township of Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

- 4) Consider the Approval of Private Property Traffic Enforcement for Westridge Estates Subdivision (POLICE)

Approve the private property traffic enforcement request submitted by Toll MI VI Limited Partnership, for the Westridge Estates subdivision located south of Ford Road and west of Ridge Road, as permitted by Canton's Traffic Enforcement on Private Property Ordinance, Chapter 70, Section 70-1 Adoption of the Uniform Traffic Code, R28.1212, Rule 212.

- 5) Consider Authorization of a Purchase Order to Fischbeck for Professional Engineering Services for the 2026 Water Main CIP (MSD)

Authorize a Purchase Order in the amount of \$231,000 to Fishbeck for Professional Engineering Services for the 2026 Water Main Capital Improvement Project.

- 6) Consider Renewal of CivicPlus Website Hosting Services, CivicOptimize, and AMMS (ITI)

Approve the creation of a purchase order in the amount not to exceed \$105,057.07 payable to CivicPlus, Inc. for a renewal of hosting services, software support, and maintenance services provided by CivicPlus for one (1) year.

- 7) Request for Resolution of Local Body of Government to Recognize “Plymouth High School Girls Soccer”, as a Nonprofit in the Community for the Purposes of Making an Application for a “Charitable Gaming License” to the Michigan Gaming Control Board (Clerk)

Approve the resolution for the “Plymouth High School Girls Soccer,” 1623 Ironwood Canton, MI 48188, to be recognized as a non-profit organization for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.

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

Approve increasing the blanket purchase order issued to Airgas Great Lakes by \$4,000.

- 9) Request Approval to Renew Firewall Service and Maintenance Agreement (ITI)

Authorize the creation of a purchase order for the renewal of the firewall services and maintenance contract with Sentinel for a one-year term at a cost of \$101,176.88.

- 10) Request Authorization to Pay Bills in 2026 When No Regular Board Meeting is Scheduled (FBD)

Authorize the payment of the Township’s bills as normally scheduled in 2026, subject to prior review by the Clerk and Treasurer, when no regular Board Meeting is scheduled.

- 11) Consider 2026 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule (MSD)

Set the 2026 Planning Commission Meeting schedule at 7:00 p.m. on the dates recommended by the Planning Commission at its meeting on November 3, 2025, subject to amendment by the Planning Commission as necessary.

- 12) Consider 2026 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Schedule (MSD)

Set the 2026 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting schedule at 7:00 p.m. on the dates recommended by the Zoning Board of Appeals at its meeting on November 13, 2025, subject to amendment by the Zoning Board of Appeals as necessary.

- 13) Consider Second Reading and Adoption of Public Trees and Woodlands Ordinance (MSD)

Hold a second reading of the proposed Public Trees and Woodlands Ordinance as provided in the attached ordinance, which amends Chapter 34 (Environment) of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton by creating Article IV, Sections 34-81 through 34-100 for Public Trees and Woodlands and move to adopt and publish the ordinance amending Chapter 34 (Environment) of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton.

- 14) Consider Second Reading and Adoption of Amendment to Appendix A- Zoning of the Code of Ordinances for Zoning Board of Appeals Membership (MSD)

Hold a second reading of the proposed amendments to Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton as provided in the attached ordinance, which amends Section 28.04(B) (Zoning Board of Appeals Membership) and adopt and publish the ordinance amending Section 28.04(B) of Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton.

15) Request Approval for Security Camera Replacements- Administrative Building (MSD)

Approve the contract and purchase order for \$41,205 in 2025 for the continued replacement of the current security camera system in the Administrative Building as provided by GSI Inc. of Troy, Michigan in support of Township security systems.

GENERAL CALENDAR

- 1) Consider Approving a Two-Year Contract Renewal Agreement for Animal Sheltering Services with the Michigan Humane Society with an Amendment to the 2026 Police Budget (POLICE)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve the proposed agreement with the Michigan Humane Society for animal sheltering services in the total amount of \$67,500 in 2026, and \$91,240 in 2027, with ancillary fees as necessary not to exceed \$5,000 annually, and a required amendment to increase the 2026 Police budget by \$17,500.

Increase Revenues:

Fund Balance Appropriation #207-000-695 \$17,500

Increase Appropriations:

Animal Care Account #207-301-50.836_0008 \$17,500

Motion carried unanimously.

- 2) Consider Approving the Purchase of two 50th Anniversary Wall Displays (POLICE)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Ganguly to approve the purchase of two 50th anniversary wall displays from Paragon Design + Display, in the amount of \$16,847.98. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3) Consider Request to Upgrade Network Switch Equipment - Phase III (ITI)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the request to upgrade phase 3 of the Township's network switches at a cost not exceeding \$193,000. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4) Consider First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 38, of the Canton Code of Ordinances, Entitled "Fire Prevention and Protection" to adopt the 2024 International Fire Code Version (FIRE)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to introduce and hold the first reading of a proposed text amendment to Chapter 38 of the Township Code, entitled "Fire Prevention and Protection" to adopt the 2024 International Fire Code Version. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5) Consider Request to Approve Conservation Easement and Purchase Wetland Mitigation

Credits, with an Amendment to the 2025 Fire Budget (FIRE)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the request to place approximately 12 acres of land surrounding the Fire Station No. 4 site into a conservation easement and approve the purchase of 0.94 acres of wetland credits from Haley Farm, LLC, in the amount of \$131,600, along with the required budget amendment.

Increase Revenue:

Account #206-000.695- Fire-Fund Balance \$131,600

Increase Expenditures:

Account #206-336-99.901_0050-Professional and Contractual Srv \$131,600

Motion carried unanimously.

- 6) Consider Request to Waive the Bidding Process and Purchase Apparatus Equipment from MacQueen (FIRE)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve to waive the bidding process and purchase apparatus equipment from MacQueen, in the amount of \$36,754.94. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Consider Approval of 2025 Budget Adjustments (FBD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Ganguly to approve the attached listing of budget adjustments to the 2025 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

- 8) Consider Approval of Updated Purchasing Policy (FBD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Ansari to approve the updated F:10 Purchasing Policy (Procedures/Rules/Bidding), to be effective January 1, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

- 9) Consider Waiving the Bidding Process and Issue a Purchase Order to Vanguard Fire & Security Systems for Fire System Repairs. (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the contract and purchase order for Vanguard Fire & Security Systems in the amount of \$20,400.06 to provide the quoted repairs. Motion carried unanimously.

- 10) Consider Waiving the Bidding Process and Approval of the Repair of Ambulance #22-S7 (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to waive the bidding process and approve the repair of ambulance #22-S7 by Overwatch Emergency for an amount not to exceed \$20,131.78. Motion carried unanimously.

- 11) Consider The Umlor Group and Yousef Chehadi Rezoning Application (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve Resolution 2025-48, which denies Planning Application #065-RZ-8783, as the application does not meet the standards of Section 27.06(D)(4) of the Zoning Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

- 12) Consider Waiving the Purchasing Policy and Award a Contract to JGM Valve for the

Purchase & Installation of 4 Vaughn Submersible Chopper Pumps for the Warren & Lotz and Hampton Ridge Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to waive the purchasing policy requiring formal bids as the vendor is the sole-source distributor of Vaughn Chopper pumps in the State of Michigan, and award a contract for the purchase and installation of four Vaughn submersible chopper pumps from JGM Valve and approve a purchase order for a not-to-exceed amount of \$164,526. Motion carried unanimously.

- 13) Consider Authorization of two Purchase Orders for Construction of the 2025 Canton Leisure Services Capital Improvement Projects and Construction Engineering Services (MSD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the award of the 2025 Canton Leisure Services Capital Improvement Projects to Asphalt Specialists LLC and issue a Purchase Order in the amount of \$1,555,597, waive the purchasing policy and award the 2025 Canton Leisure Services Capital Improvement Projects – Construction Engineering to Spalding DeDecker and issue a Purchase Order in the amount of \$162,010; and approve the required associated Budget Amendment:

Increase Revenue:

584-773-50.699_4010	Transfer In	\$291,800.00
101-000.699_4010	Transfer In	\$271,783.00

Increase Expenditure:

584-772-78.970_0080	Capital Outlay Land Improvements	\$332,042.00
401-969.995_1010	Transfer Out	\$271,783.00
404-969.995_5840	Transfer Out	\$291,800.00
101-752-99.970_0080	Capital Outlay Land Improvements	\$271,783.00

Decrease Expenditure:

584-773-50.970_0080	Capital Outlay Land Improvements	\$ 40,242.00
401-772.970_0080	Capital Outlay Land Improvements	\$563,583.00

Motion carried unanimously.

- 14) Consider Approval of a Budget Amendment and Purchase Order Increase for the Design and Architectural Services for the Zibiwés Nature Area (CLS/CD)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the required budget amendment and increase the purchase order to Partners in Architecture for the bidding assistance and construction administration services for Zibiwés Nature Area in the amount of \$43,123.61.

Increase Revenue:

101-000.695	Fund Balance Appropriation	\$ 43,124
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Increase Expenditures:

Motion carried unanimously.

- 15) Consider the Board Acceptance of the Election Commission's Approval of Changes to Canton Township Voting Precincts, Polling Locations, and Lease Agreement (Clerk)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to accept the Election Commission's unanimous approval of changes to Canton Township voting precinct boundaries and polling locations as approved on May 27, 2025, to establish Life Church (7001 N Haggerty Rd. Canton, MI 48187) and Fellows Creek Golf Course Clubhouse (2936 S Lotz Rd, Canton Township, MI 48188) as polling locations, and authorize the Clerk to execute the attached lease agreement with Life Church for use as a polling location. Motion carried unanimously.

- 16) Authorize the Supervisor to sign a three-year agreement retaining Shifman Fournier as Special Labor Counsel for Canton Township (Supervisor/Legal)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to approve authorizing the Township Supervisor to sign the agreement with Shifman Fournier to continue in the role of Labor and Employment Counsel for Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously.

- 17) Consider One Reappointment and Two New Appointments to the Planning Commission (Supervisor)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Ganguly to appoint Karen Walther and Jeff Mallad to the Planning Commission for terms to expire on 12/31/28 and reappoint Alan Cruz to the Planning Commission for a term to expire on 12/31/28. Motion carried unanimously.

- 18) Consider Appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals (Supervisor)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Borninski to appoint Jennifer Gamet to fill the remainder of Jeff Mallad's Alternate term (expires 12/31/27), appoint Praveen Cherian to fill the remainder of Karen Walther's term (expires 12/31/27), and appoint Mariena Little, Amy Doukoure, Robert Carr and Craig Rachwitz to full three-year terms to expire on 12/31/28. Motion carried unanimously.

- 19) Consider the Approval of the Municipal Services Department Project Supervisor position to the Non-Union Classified Employee (Merit) Wage Scale. (HR)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the Municipal Services Department Project Supervisor position to the Non-Union Classified Employee Wage Scale at grade 215 and approve the required budget amendment:

Increase Revenues:

Fund Balance Appropriation	204-000.695	\$34,720
Fund Balance Appropriation	592-000.695	\$22,570

Motion carried unanimously.

- 20) Consider the approval of the Parks Technician position and Letter of Agreement with AFSCME (HR)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the Parks Technician position, Letter of

Agreement with ASFCME, and budget amendment as outlined. Motion carried unanimously.

21) Consider Approval of a 3.0% Wage Increase for Part-Time Employees for Fiscal Year 2026 (HR)

Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve a 3.00% wage scale increase for part-time employees for the 2026 fiscal year and approve the decoupling of the annual part-time wage scale increase from the annual Non-Union Classified Employee (Merit) wage scale increase. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Held.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

BOARD COMMENT

ADJOURN

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

Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk

Anne Marie Graham-Hudak, Supervisor