

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COMMERCE
SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

December 19, 2018

2009 Township Drive
Commerce Township, Michigan 48390

CALL TO ORDER: David Scott, Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: David Scott, Supervisor
Melissa Creech, Clerk
Molly Phillips, Treasurer
Robert Berkheiser, Trustee
Rick Sovel, Trustee
George Weber, Trustee
Vanessa Magner, Trustee (arrived at 6:20pm)

ITEM 1: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents of Benstein Crossing were present to express their dissatisfaction with Republic Services. They stated that over the last year things have gotten worse and their neighborhood is missed every couple of months. They are also upset with the customer service center being out of state and their lack of knowledge regarding the contract with Commerce Township. They want to see some changes in service by Republic during the last year of their contract.

ITEM 3: I.A.F.F. UNION CONTRACT (taken out of order)

MOTION by Sovel, supported by Scott, to approve the I.A.F.F. Contract with corrections and authorize the appropriate signatures.

Discussion:

Treasurer Phillips asked for and received clarification on multiple items within the contract.

One of the items was Article VII A – Compensation, where it refers to schedule A Salary, shouldn't it also refer to Schedule B Longevity?

Trustee Sovel agrees and this will be corrected and the Union agrees.

Trustee Weber stated he doesn't like the way the heading is worded for Article V – Staff Officer Positions (Fire Marshal, Training Officer, EMS Coordinator).

Trustee Sovel and Chief Dundas explained why the positions are there and worded the way they are. Trustee Sovel also stated just because the positions are in the contract doesn't mean they can be filled without board approval.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 2: CLOSED SESSION – UNION CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

MOTION by Berkheiser, supported by Sovel, to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Union Contract Negotiations.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Entered into Closed Session: 6:29 p.m.
Returned from Closed Session: 7:50 p.m.

MOTION by Scott, supported by Phillips, to adjourn from Closed Session and approve the Closed Session minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 4: A.F.S.C.M.E. UNION CONTRACT

MOTION by Berkheiser, supported by Creech, to direct the negotiation team to proceed as discussed in Closed Session, move forward with the approval of the contract and authorize the appropriate signatures.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

As there were no other matters to come before the Board.

MOTION by Scott, supported by Weber, to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Melissa Creech, Clerk
Charter Township of Commerce