

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD

REGULAR MEETING

REDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD

May 27, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Redford Township Board was held on Tuesday, May 27, 2008, in the Board Room of the Redford Township Hall, 15145 Beech Daly. This Regular Meeting was called to order by Supervisor R. Miles Handy at 7:00 p.m.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Christie gave the invocation.

PRESENT: R. MILES HANDY, II TRACEY SCHULTZ-KOBYLARZ
GARTH J. CHRISTIE
ROBERT BRANG, JR.

ABSENT: KIM SIVYER KELLY FLEMING
PAT MCRAE ADAM SCANLON, YOUTH TRUSTEE

ALSO PRESENT: Jeff Clark, Township Attorney
Tom O'Connor, Constituent Services Director
John Cubba, Finance Director
John Selmi, Water & Sewer Foreman
Dan Brooks, Wade, Trim & Associates

Supervisor Handy asked for a moment of silence to remember Mary Cavanagh, the mother of Wayne County Commissioner Phil Cavanagh, who just passed away.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS: None

Supervisor Handy introduced Nayan Paytel, the Piston Group Director of Business Planning on Telegraph and Glendale. The Supervisor asked Mr. Paytel to give the Board an update on the business.

Mr. Paytel was before the Board one year ago requesting a personal property tax abatement with regards to a capital investment. They relocated in Redford in November of 2004. A significant milestone for them last year was that they renewed their lease and were able to take on some additional space on a short-term basis. They requested this tax abatement for their Ford Motor Company program where they assemble automotive components for modular assemblies and ship daily to assembly plants in Canada, St. Thomas, and also into a Chicago plant. The part is a cooling module assembly for the Taurus and Lincoln-Mercury car platforms. He is very happy to report that the program launched successfully on time with no customer concerns as far as their craftsmanship and ability to deliver parts. As their business grows their preference would be to expand within the facility rather than incur additional costs to relocate. They are actually expanding the assembly line an additional 70 feet to accommodate future programs.

Supervisor Handy asked how many employees he currently has and Mr. Paytel said about 100 employees. They are at the mercy of their customers' production schedules. The assembly line is geared to run two full shifts. It is running in that capacity, but the customers are cutting their production down to a one-shift basis which is something that all automotive suppliers are experiencing today. They did have the foresight and balanced their line with staffing at appropriate levels so there has not been any major impact in terms of them meeting customer requirements. They had planned on bringing employees on gradually as the ramp-up schedule took place and they still hope that by the end of the year things will turn around. The car platform that they are assembling the parts for will hopefully sell better than the full-sized SUVs and trucks. They have hired about 100 plus and the overall total within their three locations is about 130 employees. They are hopeful that by the end of the year the total will be about 257 employees.

Supervisor Handy said the Township is excited about their commitment to Redford Township and their ability to help create jobs for local residents.

08:124 CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

1. That we approve the following minutes:
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2. That we appoint Robert Christ to the Beautification Commission to fill the term of Ruth Lewis which expires 09/30/2009.
3. That we approve the Western Golf & Country Club Fireworks Display on June 29, 2008, with a rain date of July 4, 2008.

BY BRANG, SUPPORTED BY KOBYLARZ:
That we approve the Consent Agenda Items.

Motion carried unanimously.

08:125 BYCHRISTIE, SUPPORTED BY BRANG:

That we approve the Water Service Contract between the City of Detroit and the Charter Township of Redford.

Motion carried unanimously.

08:126 BY CHRISTIE, SUPPORTED BY KOBYLARZ :

That we extend the Amnesty Program through June 30, 2008.

Motion carried unanimously.

08:127 BY BRANG, SUPPORTED BY KOBYLARZ:

That we award the 2008 Dust Control Contract to the lowest qualified bidder Suburban Oil Company, 27055 Trolley, Taylor, MI, to supply Mineral Well Brine and apply to all gravel roads in the Township at \$0.235/gallon.

Motion carried unanimously.

08:128 BY BRANG, SUPPORTED BY CHRISTIE:

That we approve Two Warrant List of Bills; the first dated 5/21/08 in the amount of \$487,886.52 and the second dated 5/21/08 in the amount of \$799,813.81, for a total of \$1,287,700.33.

AYES: Brang, Christie, Kobylarz, Handy

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Sivyer, Fleming, McRae

Motion carried 4-0.


ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Trustee Kobylarz said "Happy Birthday" to her husband who turned 50 yesterday.


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Supervisor Handy reminded everyone that Sunday, June 1st at 2:00 p.m. is the Memorial Day Parade.

Motion by KOBYLARZ, supported by BRANG, that we adjourn this Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. This Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



R. MILES HANDY, II, SUPERVISOR
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD



GARTH J. CHRISTIE, CLERK
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Recorded by Dorothy Wasmundt