

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
MINUTES OF THE MARCH 12, 2012 WORK SESSION**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Brenda L. Stumbo at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center Board Room, 7200 S. Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti Township.

Members Present: Supervisor Brenda L. Stumbo, Clerk Karen Lovejoy Roe, Treasurer Larry Doe, Trustees Jean Hall Currie, Mike Martin and Scott Martin

Members Absent: Trustee Stan Eldridge

Legal Counsel: Wm. Douglas Winters

1. BS&A SOFTWARE

Dan Burns, Account Executive for BS&A provided a brief overview of the financial software.

Treasurer Doe questioned if the conversion would be automatic or if it would require manual input. He said each conversion was custom and a programmer would work with the raw data, converting per module.

Mr. Burns explained the annual rate was a flat rate of 20% and explained what the support would include.

Trustee Mike Martin asked why there was an increase in price from the prior quote.

Mr. Burns explained the main cost increase was due to an additional module that was added.

2. REVIEW AGENDA

Supervisor Stumbo briefly reviewed each item on the agenda with additional comments on the following items:

- **1ST READING OF RESOLUTION NO. 2012-2, PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2012-421**

Larry James, Fire Marshal, briefly reviewed the changes to the Ordinance from the 2006 edition of the Fire Code currently used in the existing Ordinance.

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- **SUPERVISOR REPORT**

Supervisor Stumbo stated there would be a presentation at the board meeting regarding the YCUA & WCRC Bonds pertaining to the road improvements that would be done in conjunction with water & sewer updates. She explained that 70% of the Township's roads are presently in fair to excellent condition. The goal was to bring the remaining 30% up to fair to good condition and keep investing in maintenance rather than waiting until the road completely crumbled.

- **CLERK REPORT**

Clerk Lovejoy Roe provided information regarding the bonds as well.

Arloa Kaiser expressed her concern about this project and requested supervision and accountability to make sure they only did what needed to be done.

Trustee Scott Martin provided a brief explanation of improvements made in the cooperation between departments.

- **ATTORNEY REPORT**

1. **REQUEST FORMAL AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE LEGAL ACTION IN WASHTENAW COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT TO ABATE THE PUBLIC NUISANCE FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1650 E. FOREST, 597 E. GRAND, 992 HAWTHORNE AND 7186 RAWSONVILLE**
2. **REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE LEGAL ACTION, IF NECESSARY IN WASHTENAW COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT TO ABATE THE PUBLIC NUISANCE FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 554 E. GRAND, 7922 LAKECREST, 1601 E. MICHIGAN, 1335 E. MICHIGAN, 1473 ECORSE AND 40 CAMPBELL**

Attorney Winters said there had been a lot of positive feedback from residents affected by nuisance properties that had been rectified and resulted in stabilizing the neighborhoods. He recognized the great job the board and staff, including the police, did.

Arloa Kaiser said she appreciated the Ordinance staff and the job they were doing.

Supervisor Stumbo said the Township continued to have 30% of the foreclosures in Washtenaw County and it was time to hold the banks accountable.

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Clerk Lovejoy Roe said the impact of all the foreclosures on the community was tremendous, but she was thankful to everyone who had a part in trying to rectify the situation. She realized there was still a long way to go, especially since the banks would not take responsibility.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

REQUEST FROM JAVONNA NEEL, ACCOUNTING DIRECTOR FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE BS&A FINANCIAL SOFTWARE NOT TO EXCEED \$101,500.00, EXPENSED OVER FOUR YEARS IN AN ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$25,375.00, BUDGETED IN LINE ITEM #101.266.000.977.001 WITH AN ANNUAL SERVICE AND SUPPORT FEE OF \$13,570.00, BEGINNING IN 2013

Supervisor Stumbo explained the agenda item was tabled at the February 13, 2012 Regular Meeting and would need to be removed before the Board could take action.

- **AUTHORIZATIONS AND BIDS**

REQUEST OF JEFF ALLEN, RSD DIRECTOR TO SEEK COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR HYDRO ROOF REPAIR

Supervisor Stumbo stated the roof repair bid was awarded in the fall but the company that was awarded the bid had not responded. She said the Board would be required to reject the previous bid and authorize seeking new bids.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Lovejoy Roe, Clerk