

**Board Meeting  
Blackman Charter Township  
January 3, 2007**

The Blackman Charter Township Board convened at 7:00 p.m. on January 3, 2007, at the Township Office, 1990 West Parnall Road, Jackson, MI.

Members present: Supervisor Snell, Treasurer Brockie, Clerk Thomas, Trustees Clingerman, Barrett, DeBruler and Sercombe.

Members absent: none

There were 14 people in attendance. Sign-in list is on file.

**CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD**

**MINUTES  
APPROVAL**

Motion by Barrett, support by Clingerman, to approve the minutes of the Board Work Session on November 30<sup>th</sup> and the Regular Board Meeting on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Motion carried by voice vote

**CHANGES TO  
AGENDA**

ADD to New Business: Approval of room and conference fees for Board members attending MTA Conference.

ADD under Public Safety: Approval to hire replacement for PSO resignation.

ADD: Executive Session after Extended Public Comments regarding labor contract issues.

Motion by Barrett, support by Sercombe, to approve changes to agenda.

Motion carried by voice vote

**BRIEF PUBLIC  
COMMENTS**

Opened at 7:02

Closed at 7:03

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval to pay MERS in the amount of \$26,885.75 for November, 2006, retirement contribution – acct. #296300723 - \$17,341.17, acct. #296000204 - \$9,544.58.
2. Approval to pay Fidler Doubleday in the amount of \$2,067.72 for ten (10) voting stations, acct. #101192977.
3. Approval of contract with Engineering contractor, Jack Ripstra
4. Approval of contract with Plumbing & Mechanical Inspector, Carl Janson
5. Approval of contract with Electrical Inspector, Martin Riske
6. Approval of \$200 advance to each Board member attending the MTA annual conference January 23-26 for related expenses, acct.#101175864-\$200.00, #101215864-\$200.00, #101103864-\$400.00.
7. Approval to pay Northwest Refuse in the amount of \$2,246.92 for collection of refuse and recycling, acct. #296300976.001-\$1,012.46, #296300976.002 - \$222.00, #101265775-\$530.02, #249380976.100-\$200.77, #590527775-\$281.67.

Motion by Brockie, support by Thomas, to approve payment of items on Consent Agenda.

Roll call: Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion carried

**ENTERPRISE  
GROUP  
PRESENTATION**

Presentation by Amy Torres of the Enterprise Group on Blackman Charter Township, LDFA and DDA 2006 Economic Development Successes and 2007 Goals and Strategies.

**SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE**

- Bids have been received for remaining lift station generators; will be referred to Utilities Committee for recommendation
- DDA & LDFA annual reports and 2006 meeting minutes have been given to Clerk
- Upcoming Region 2 Planning Commission annual meeting at Darryl's Downtown on Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00.
- Will be seeking bids for digital records management of Building Department records
- Will be seeking bids for actuarial report on retiree health care costs
- Will be seeking bids for new PCs, monitors and a server for Public Safety
- Upcoming Road Commission annual meeting at Cascades on February 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:15
- Reconsideration of scheduling of committee meetings; scheduling to be determined by committee chairs. These are public meetings and must be posted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**DEPUTY CLERK SALARY INCREASE** Motion by Brockie, support by Sercombe, to approve salary increase of 2% for the Deputy Treasurer.  
Roll Call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**CLERK'S UPDATE**

**ELECTIONS COMM. APPOINTMENT** Motion by Thomas, support by Barrett, to appoint Trustee Chuck DeBruler to the Election Commission.  
Motion carried by voice vote

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**HIRE PSO** Motion by Thomas, support by Barrett, to approve hiring of PSO candidate to fill opening created by officer resignation, pending results of physical and psychological evaluations.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ESTABLISH PUB IMPROV FUND RES.#01-2007-0103** Motion by Clingerman, support by Sercombe, to approve Resolution #01-2007-0103 establishing a Public Improvement Fund.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**RESCIND IFEC'S PLASTIGAGE RES.#02-2007-0103** Motion by Thomas, support by Brockie, to rescind (3) Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates for Plastigage, Inc.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**ADOPT FEES FOR IFEC APPS. RES.#03-2007-0103** Motion by Thomas, support by Snell, to approve Resolution #03-2007-0103 adopting fee schedule for IFEC applications.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**BLDG INSPECTOR SALARY INCREASE** Motion by Snell, support by Thomas, to approve annual salary increase of \$1,040 for Building Inspector.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**BOOKKEEPER SALARY INCREASE** Motion by Snell, support by Barrett, to approve annual salary increase of \$1,040 for Bookkeeper.  
Roll call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 2 (Brockie, Clingerman) Motion carried

**COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS** Motion by Barrett, support by Snell, to approve committee appointments for 2007.  
Motion carried by voice vote

**MTA EXPENSES** Motion by Brockie, support by Sercombe, to approve expenditures for MTA Conference fees and hotel room expenses.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**BILLS** Motion by Brockie, support by Clingerman, to approve payment of bills on Board Invoice Approval Report dated 12/18/06 in the amount of \$89,890.51 and the report dated 1/4/07 in the amount of \$346,908.79.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**EXTENDED**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** Opened at 7:34  
Closed at 7:34

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Clingerman, support by Sercombe, to adjourn to Executive Session concerning labor contract issues at 7:35 p.m.  
Roll call: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

Motion by Barrett, support by Brockie, to reconvene into open session at 7:50 p.m.  
Roll call: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion carried

**ADJOURN** Supervisor Snell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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J. Michael Thomas, Clerk