

**BLACKMAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS - (Two minute limit)

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO AGENDA

MINUTES APPROVAL

- Approval of the minutes for the Board of Trustee meeting held on March 21, 2016.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval to pay County National Bank payment for March 2016 in the amount of \$558.58.

Acct: 101-192-727.000	116.57	Acct: 590-527-775.000	33.89
Acct: 101-258-768.000	20.99	Acct: 296-300-727.000	17.14
Acct: 101-265-775.000	123.40	Acct: 296-300-801.000	208.00
Acct: 249-380-976.100	38.59		
2. Approval to pay Michigan Department of Environmental Quality the amount of \$500.00 for the 2016 stormwater annual permit fee.
3. Approval to pay MERS the amount of \$45,006.70 for March 2016 retirement contribution: acct. #296-300-723: \$20,457.59 and acct. #296-000-204: \$24,549.11.
4. Approval of payroll for pay dates 03/11/2016 in the amount of \$108,952.61 and 03/25/2016 in the amount of \$108,434.68.
5. Receive Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Month of March 2016.

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

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TREASURER'S UPDATE

- Approve adjustment to the step wage for Deputy Treasurer to 38 cents above the matrix to \$20 per hour on two (2) year anniversary with no change to the wage matrix.
- Approve Treasurer to Invest 60% of Cemetery trust funds, approximately \$18,000, into mutual funds.

CLERK'S UPDATE

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PUBLIC SAFETY

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PLANNING COMMISSION

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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PARKS & RECREATION UPDATE

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TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

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UTILITIES COMMITTEE

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ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

1. Approve the second and final reading of Ordinance #121; Door to Door Vendors, Peddlers, Solicitors and Salespersons Ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve the hiring of full-time administrative assistant at starting wage per the current wage matrix.
2. Approve hiring of part-time administrative assistant at starting wage per the wage matrix.
3. Approve Resolution #03-2016-0418; a resolution adopting a fees schedule in support of Ordinance #121, Door to Door Vendors, Peddlers, Solicitors and Salespersons Ordinance.
4. Approve Resolution #04-2016-0418; a resolution to approve Officer Patrick England's purchase of additional service credit.
5. Approve Resolution #05-2016-0418; a resolution approving an installment purchase agreement with Rosenbauer and FirstMerit Bank

BILLS

Approve payment of bills on the Board Invoice Post Audit Report dated 04/13/2016 in the amount of \$89,830.39 and Board Invoice Report dated 04/13/2016 in the amount of \$523,586.69.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute limit)

OPEN DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT

Board Meeting
Blackman Charter Township
March 21, 2016

The Blackman Charter Township Board convened at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2016 at the Township Office; 1990 West Parnall Road, Jackson, Michigan.

Members present: Supervisor Jancek, Clerk Sercombe, Treasurer Preston and Trustees: Ambs, Globensky, Grabert and Williams

Members absent: None

There were 10 people in attendance. Sign-in sheet is on file.

CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Rutkowski

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support by Trustee Grabert to amend item #2 under public safety to authorize the Township Treasurer to finance the \$561,108.00 purchase price for a term of 10 years, taking County National off of the motion.

Voice Vote Motion Unanimously Approved

MINUTES

Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Trustee Williams to approve the Board of Trustee minutes for the meeting held on February 16, 2016.

APPROVAL

Voice Vote Motion Unanimously Approved

CONSENT

AGENDA

1. Approval to pay County National Bank payment for February 2016 in the amount of \$941.27.

Acct: 101-175.864.000	12.65	Acct: 296-300-730.000	52.95
Acct: 101-192-727.000	50.48	Acct: 296-300-768.000	75.99
Acct: 101-265.775.000	181.57	Acct: 296-300-775.000	91.46
Acct: 249-380-976.100	56.78	Acct: 296-300-939.021	67.75
Acct: 590-527-775.000	49.86	Acct: 296-300-958.000	200.00
Acct: 296-300-727.000	64.29	Acct: 297-300-977.000	37.49
2. Approval to pay MERS in the amount of \$45,550.93 for February 2016 retirement contribution: acct. #296-300-723: \$20,582.35 and acct. #296-000-204: \$24,968.58.
3. Approve payroll for pay dates 02/12/2016 in the amount of \$99,099.43 and 02/6/2016 in the amount of \$118,528.09.
4. Approve \$50,000 transfer of funds from the general fund to the public safety fund for the month of February 2016.
5. Receive Revenue and Expenditure Report for the month of February 2016.
Motion by Trustee Grabert with support from Trustee Ambs to approve the consent agenda.
Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

1. Jackson Area Comprehensive Transportation Study Policy Committee meeting
2. Jackson County Airport

TREASURER'S UPDATE

1. Treasurer's Dept has been working on final settlement with Jackson County
2. Working on financing of fire truck
3. Ann Arbor State Bank - new bank in town offering a good rate on 2 year CD
4. County Treasurer would like the township to issue dog licenses.

CLERK'S UPDATE

1. March Election went very well and has been certified with the County
2. American Red Cross Blood Drive

PUBLIC SAFETY

**PURCHASE
PUMPER/
TANKER**

Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Treasurer Preston to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign a purchase agreement with Emergency Vehicles Plus to purchase a fully equipped 2016 Rosenbauer Pumper/Tanker in the amount of \$561,108.00, which includes the trading in of Engine 3 and Rescue 1. Discussion

Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Treasurer Preston to amend the previous motion to: authorize the Township Supervisor to sign a purchase agreement with Emergency Vehicles Plus to purchase a fully equipped 2016 Resenbauer Pumper/Tanker in the amount not to exceed \$580,033.00, which includes the trading in of Engine 3 and Rescue 1.

Voice Vote Amendment Approved
Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

**FINANCE
PUMPER/
TANKER**

Motion by Supervisor Jancek with support by Clerk Sercombe to authorize the the Township Treasurer to finance the \$561,108 purchase price for a term of ten (10) years. Discussion

Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

**CHAD
ROOT**

Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Supervisor Jancek to authorize the Director of Public Safety to hire Chad Root as a public safety officer.

Discussion Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

PLANNING COMMISSION

**CASE #1455
AMEND
PERMIT #171**

Motion by Trustee Williams with support by Clerk Sercombe to amend original conditional use permit #171 to allow storage of vehicles on the lot specified in Case #1455 as presented to the Planning Commission on March 15th.

Discussion Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - None

PARKS & RECREATION

1. Rod Mills Park fence was vandalized.
2. More trees have fallen.
3. Park opens April 1st.

TECHNOLOGY

1. Township website update

UTILITIES

1. Leoni Regional Utility Authority Meeting - Leoni will be reducing the REU treatment charge beginning with the May bill. Shared report from Fleis and Vanderbrink.
2. Water tower will be repainted this summer.
3. Cooper Street sewer extension plans are complete.
4. Bhogi Patel's attorney contacted Jack Ripstra regarding Holiday Inn connection fees.

5. MDOT asked for additional drawings from Bud Design of the proposed hotels on the former Avalon Hotel site so that they can be sure that the proposed development won't interfere with the reconstruction of the interchange.

ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE #121 Motion by Treasurer Preston with support by Trustee Grabert to repeal
DOOR TO DOOR Ordinance #8, Ordinance #26, Ordinance #101 and approve Ordinance #121
SALES first reading. Discussion
Roll Call Ayes - 6 Nays - 1 (Sercombe) Motion Approved

REMOVE Motion by Treasurer Preston with support from Trustee Williams, based on the
AGENDA ITEMS new motion which was entered in and voted on for Ordinance #121,
1, 2, 3 remove items 1, 2 and 3 under the Ordinance Review Committee.
Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

NEW BUSINESS

IT RIGHT Motion by Supervisor with support from Clerk Sercombe to approve IT Right
SERVICE unlimited service contract in the amount of \$4,000 for the period of 4/1/2016
CONTRACT to 3/31/2017. Discussion
Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

2% EMPLOYEE Motion by Supervisor Jancek with support from Clerk Sercombe to approve 2%
WAGE wage increase for all non-union employees and update the wage matrix to
INCREASE reflect same, effective April 1, 2016. Discussion
Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

BUILDING Motion by Supervisor Jancek with support by Trustee Grabert to approve an
INSPECTOR increase from \$27.75 to \$30 an hour for the Building Inspector due to additional
WAGE zoning and planning duties and responsibilities that were added to the position.
Discussion Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

BILLS

Motion by Clerk Sercombe with support from Treasurer Preston to approve
payment of the bills on the Board Invoice Post Audit Approval Report dated
/16/2016 in the amount of \$112,134.19 and Board Invoice Approval Report
dated 03/16/2016 in the amount of \$426,535.95.
Roll Call Ayes - 7 Nays - 0 Motion Approved

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT - None

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. Election set-up and back room cleaned
2. Public Safety Department appreciates support from Township Board and the residents of Blackman Township

ADJOURNMENT

The Supervisor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

David Sercombe, Clerk

<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer	\$ 18.56	\$ 19.09	\$ 19.62	\$ 20.16	\$ 20.75
Level 3 Assessor (Annual)	\$ 21.97	\$ 23.03	\$ 24.09	\$ 25.15	\$ 27.27
Level 2 Assessor	\$ 19.85	\$ 20.91	\$ 21.60	\$ 22.23	\$ 22.89
Level 1 Assessor	\$ 16.67	\$ 17.45	\$ 18.26	\$ 19.04	\$ 19.57
Zoning/Building	\$ 23.03	\$ 24.09	\$ 25.15	\$ 26.21	\$ 27.27
Bookkeeper	\$ 16.67	\$ 17.14	\$ 17.63	\$ 18.13	\$ 18.79
Bookkeeper/Accountant	\$ 20.81	\$ 21.40	\$ 21.85	\$ 22.28	\$ 22.73
Utility Clerk/IT	\$ 14.32	\$ 15.13	\$ 15.71	\$ 16.24	\$ 16.97
Full Time Admin Asst	\$ 12.42	\$ 12.89	\$ 13.31	\$ 13.69	\$ 14.08
Part Time Admin Asst	\$ 10.29	\$ 11.09	\$ 11.35	\$ 11.62	\$ 11.88
		\$10.80 after 90 days with satisfactory progress/review			
Public Safety Director (Annual)	\$ 89,147.84	\$ 91,276.62	\$ 93,411.76	\$ 95,559.65	\$ 97,734.06
Deputy PS Director (Annual)	\$ 78,555.92	\$ 80,705.93	\$ 82,882.47	\$ 85,113.12	\$ 87,452.03
PS Clerk	\$ 18.56	\$ 19.09	\$ 19.62	\$ 20.16	\$ 20.75

APPROVED 03/21/16 BOARD MTG
EFFECTIVE 04/01/16

Act No. 13
Public Acts of 2016
Approved by the Governor
February 16, 2016
Filed with the Secretary of State
February 16, 2016
EFFECTIVE DATE: May 16, 2016

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
98TH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2016**

Introduced by Senators Knollenberg, Marleau, Kowall and Zorn

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 303

AN ACT to amend 1937 PA 215, entitled "An act to authorize municipalities to own or control cemetery or burial grounds; to provide for perpetual care and maintenance; to provide for endowment and perpetual care funds; and to permit municipalities to authorize the creation of joint cemetery associations," by amending section 1 (MCL 128.1), as amended by 1980 PA 366.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 1. (1) The legislative body of a municipality owning or controlling a cemetery or burial grounds may by resolution or ordinance provide for the perpetual care and maintenance of the cemetery or a burial lot upon the payment by the owner of the lot or another person of the agreed upon sum, and in consideration for which the municipality may bind itself to perpetually care for and maintain the lot.

(2) Subject to subsection (3), money deposited in a perpetual care and maintenance fund for a cemetery owned or controlled by a municipality may be invested in mutual funds consisting of fixed income securities, equity securities, or both, if both of the following requirements are met:

(a) The equity position of the perpetual care and maintenance fund does not exceed 60% of the perpetual care and maintenance fund balance and the equity position does not contain more than 40% in any given asset category.

(b) Each mutual fund is rated in the top 2 of 5 or more tiers by Morningstar, Inc. or another nationally recognized mutual fund rating agency at the time of purchase.

(3) Subsection (2) does not prohibit any other investments that may be authorized by law.

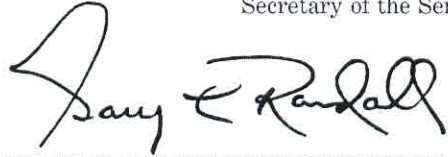
(4) A testamentary trustee appointed by a probate court of a trust fund, the income from which is to be used to maintain a cemetery or burial lot, may, upon petition to the probate court that authorized the trustee's appointment, be authorized and directed by the court to transfer the money in the trustee's possession in the corpus of the trust to a municipality under an ordinance or resolution adopted under subsection (1). Upon receipt of the money filed with the probate court the testamentary trustee may be discharged from the trust.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Secretary of the Senate



Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved

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Governor

**BLACKMAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
COUNTY OF JACKSON, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION #03-2016-0418
DOOR TO DOOR LICENSING FEES**

WHEREAS, Blackman Charter Township Ordinance #121, Door to Door Vendors, Peddlers, Solicitors and Salespersons Ordinance, provides a means for Door to Door application, licensing and fees for investigations of those participating in the door to door activities

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Blackman Charter Township Board has adopted the following fees schedule in support of the application and license as shown on page two of this resolution: Twenty five dollars per page, \$25 per application/license with a maximum of 4 persons per application/license. Length of approval not to exceed one year.

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Blackman, located at 1990 W. Parnall Rd., County of Jackson Michigan, on Monday, April 18, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. The Motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____.

Upon roll call, the following voted "AYE":

The following voted "NAY": None

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

David Sercombe, Clerk

I, David Sercombe, the duly elected and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Blackman, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board by a roll call vote at a regular meeting of the Board held on April 18, 2016, at which meeting a quorum was present; and that this resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

_____, Clerk
David Sercombe, Clerk

<p>Blackman Charter Township Door to Door Ordinance #121</p>										
					Date:		Length of time for activity:			
Please print										
Name:						DOB				
Home address:										
Local address of applicant if different:										
Nature of business or goods to be sold:										
Name & address of Employer or parent organization: (not required if previously provided for this time period)										
signature authorizing investigation of the applicant					vehicle description & license plate number					
attach copy of drivers license.					attach copy of drivers license.					
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<p>APPROVAL SHOWN BY TOWNSHIP CLERK'S STAMP. If not approved, written comments to be provided to applicant. Twenty -five dollars per page, no more than 4 per page.</p>										

**BLACKMAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
COUNTY OF JACKSON, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION #04-2016-0418
APPROVAL OF REQUEST TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL SERVICE CREDIT**

- WHEREAS,** the Blackman Township Public Safety Officers' pension plan is through the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS), and
- WHEREAS,** Public Safety Office Patrick England has submitted a written request to the Township to purchase an additional two years and five months of service credit, and
- WHEREAS,** Officer England is following the guidelines and procedures established by MERS,
- THEREFORE,** Blackman Township does hereby approve such purchase by Officer England of two years and five months of additional service credit.

At a regular meeting of the Blackman Charter Township Board of Trustees, County of Jackson, State of Michigan, held in the Township Hall on April 18, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., this Resolution was presented by _____, Support was offered by _____.

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted "**AYE**":
The following voted "**NAY**": None
Absent:

The Supervisor declared this Resolution adopted.

Peter Jancek, Supervisor

David Sercombe, Clerk

I, David Sercombe, the duly elected and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Blackman, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board by a roll call vote at a regular meeting of the Board held on April 18, 2016, at which meeting a quorum was present; and that this resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

_____, Clerk
David Sercombe, Clerk

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BLACKMAN
JACKSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION #05-2016-0418
RESOLUTION APPROVING INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT
with Rosenbauer and FirstMerit Bank**

At a regular meeting of the Charter Township of Blackman Board of Trustees, held on April 18, 2016, at the Township Hall, which meeting was held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act of the State of Michigan, the following preamble and resolution were offered by Board Member _____, and supported by Board Member _____.

WHEREAS, Charter Township of Blackman determines it to be necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare of the Township and its residents and property owners to purchase a new Fire Pumper Apparatus and Chassis; and,

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Act 99 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1933, as amended, the Township Board is authorized to enter into any contract or agreement for the purchase of property for public purposes to be paid for in installments over a period of not to exceed the useful life of the property but no more than 15 years as determined by resolution of the Township Board; and,

WHEREAS, the outstanding balance of all such purchases by the Township under said Act 99, exclusive of interest, shall not exceed one and one-quarter percent (1-1/4 %) of the taxable value of the real and personal property of the Township at the date of such contract or agreement of purchase; and,

WHEREAS, the purchase of the aforesaid Fire Apparatus and Chassis, pursuant to an Installment Purchase Agreement, will not result in the outstanding balance of all such purposes to be in excess of the limitations contained within said Act 99 as above set forth; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Board has purchased a Rosenbauer Pumper Apparatus installed on a Rosenbauer Chassis for a purchase price of \$624,033.00, of which \$561,108.00 will be paid through an Installment Purchase Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that such acquisition and purchase price is reasonable and in the best interest of the Township and its residents and property owners; and

WHEREAS, funds have been pledged by the Township for such acquisition except for the sum of \$561,108.00 of such purchase price which is proposed to be paid by the Township to FirstMerit Bank, National Association in installment payments over a ten (10) year period, together with interest at 2.74% per annum on the unpaid balance; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 . The Act 99 Installment Purchase Agreement attached hereto is hereby approved and the Supervisor or the Treasurer of the Township is hereby authorized and directed to execute the same on behalf of the Township.

2. The Supervisor, Treasurer, and Clerk of the Township are further hereby authorized and directed to execute any additional documents as shall be necessary to effectuate the closing of the Installment Purchase Agreement.
3. The Township hereby agrees to include in its budget for each year during the period of the within Installment Purchase Agreement a sum sufficient to pay the principal and interest coming due under said Installment Purchase Agreement before the beginning of each fiscal year pertinent to such installment payments.
4. The Township hereby designates its obligations under the Agreement as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of the deduction of interest due under said Installment Purchase Agreement from income tax liability pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
5. The Supervisor of the Township covenants that to the extent permitted by law, it shall take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exclusion of the interest component of the payments due under the aforesaid Installment Purchase Agreement from adjusted gross income for general federal income tax purposes under the aforesaid Internal Revenue Code including, but not limited to, actions relating to the rebate of arbitrage earnings, if applicable, and the expenditure and investment of proceeds of the Agreement, and to prevent such proceeds from being or becoming "private activity bonds" as the term is used in Section 141 of said Internal Revenue Code.
6. The acquisition of the Fire Apparatus and Chassis and the approval of the Installment Purchase Agreement therefore are hereby found and declared to be for a valid public purpose and in the best interest of the health and welfare of the residents and property owners of the Township.
7. All resolutions or parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of the within Resolution are hereby rescinded to the extent of any such conflict.

Upon roll call vote the following voted "aye:" _____

The following voted "nay:" _____

The Chairperson declared the Resolution duly adopted.

David Sercombe, Clerk _____

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing Resolution is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Charter Township of Blackman Board of Trustees, at a regular/special meeting of said Board held on _____, 2016; that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act of Michigan; that a quorum of Charter Township of Blackman Board of Trustee members were present; and that the foregoing Resolution is a part of the official minutes of the meeting held on said date.

Signature

Name

Title

ACT 99 CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, the duly authorized and qualified Treasurer of Charter Township of Blackman, County of Jackson, Michigan (hereinafter Township), in connection with the execution by the Township of an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purchase of a Rosenbauer Pumper Apparatus and Rosenbauer chassis (hereinafter Agreement), dated on or about the date of this Certificate, between the Township and Rosenbauer South Dakota, LLC, as assigned to FirstMerit Bank, National Association, hereby certifies as follows:

1. The outstanding balance of all purchases of lands, property or equipment for public purposes, to be paid for in installments, including purchases made pursuant to the Agreement, exclusive of interest, is not more than \$3,263,678.
2. The taxable value of the real and personal property of the Township as of the date of the Agreement is \$492,729,878.
3. The amount set forth in paragraph 1 hereof does not exceed one and one-quarter percent (1.25%) of the amount set forth in paragraph 2 above.

Dated: April _____, 2016

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BLACKMAN

Phil Preston, Treasurer

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BLACKMAN
NON-ARBITRAGE AND TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

The undersigned hereby certifies that he is the Treasurer of Charter Township of Blackman in Jackson County, Michigan (the Township), and is in general charge of the fiscal affairs of the Township and is the person charged, along with others, with the responsibility for complying with the terms of a certain Installment Purchase Agreement for the purchase of a new Rosenbauer Pumper Apparatus installed on a new Rosenbauer Commander chassis, dated on or about the date of this Certificate (the Agreement), that the undersigned has made due inquiry and is fully informed as to the matters set out in this Certificate, and that the following are the reasonable expectations and covenants of the Township with respect to the Agreement as of the date hereof:

The Agreement is being entered into for the purpose of financing the purchase of the Rosenbauer Pumper Apparatus installed on the Rosenbauer Commander chassis as described in the Agreement, for use by the Township (the Property). The Agreement will be used solely to finance the acquisition of the Property and will not be used to acquire any other property or services.

The total financed portion of the purchase price of the Property is \$561,108.00. The total is to be financed pursuant to the terms of the Agreement in monthly installments of principal and interest each as described in the Agreement.

The installments required under the Agreement will be paid as a budget item from the Township. The Township will pay installments required under the Agreement with moneys which have been received by the Township within 12 months prior to such payment.

1. Except as provided in paragraph 7 of the Agreement, no security interest or other pledge exists on any fund or other property of the Township for the purpose of securing the Agreement. There are no funds or other monies designated for the purpose of acquiring the Property, and the Agreement will not replace any funds or other monies invested at a yield in excess of the yield on the Agreement.
2. The Township has covenanted, to the extent permitted by law, to take all actions necessary to maintain the exclusion of the interest paid under the Agreement from gross income for general federal income tax purposes under the Code (as defined below).
3. The Township reasonably anticipates that the amount of tax exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds as described in Section 141 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code)) which will be issued during calendar year 2016 by the Township, any entity which issues obligations on behalf of the Township, and all subordinate entities thereto, will not exceed

\$10,000,000.00. The Township has not issued, and it is not anticipated that it will issue tax-exempt obligations on behalf of any other entity in 2016.

4. The Township is a governmental unit with general taxing powers.
5. The Agreement is not part of any "private activity bonds" as defined in Section 141 of the Code.
6. All proceeds of the Agreement will be used for local governmental activities of the Township.
7. The Township has not been disqualified by the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service nor has the Township been notified or otherwise become aware that any such disqualifications are currently being considered by the Commissioner.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, there are no other facts, estimates, or circumstances that would change the foregoing, and I hereby certify that the Township's expectations, as set forth herein, are reasonable. It is intended that this Tax Certificate meet the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended, and the terms used herein should be construed consistently with such regulations, and that the covenants and representations herein are also in satisfaction of the requirements of the Code and the regulations propounded thereunder.

Dated: April _____, 2016

Charter Township of Blackman

Phil Preston, Treasurer

**LEGAL OPINION ON AUTHORITY OF
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BLACKMAN
EXECUTE AN ACT 99 INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

The undersigned, Eric C. White, of the firm of White, Hotchkiss & Falahee, PLLC, as attorneys for Charter Township of Blackman in Jackson County, Michigan (“Township”) hereby issues the following opinion on the validity of the Act 99 Installment Purchase Agreement dated on or about the date of this opinion of counsel (the “Agreement”) among the Township and Rosenbauer of South Dakota, LLC, and First Merit Bank, National Association (the “Bank”).

That in the opinion of the undersigned, the Township has authority to enter into the aforesaid Agreement and to perform the obligations thereunder; said Agreement constitutes a legal, valid, and binding obligation of the Township, enforceable in accordance with its terms for the duration thereof; the aforesaid Agreement is not subject to any amendment not acceptable to all parties thereto; and the aforesaid Agreement may not be unilaterally rescinded by the Township.

That in the opinion of the undersigned, the Board of Trustees of the Township has adopted resolutions authorizing the execution of the aforesaid Agreement by the Supervisor or Treasurer of the Township on behalf of the Township at a meeting called and conducted in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act and by a majority of a quorum present at such meeting.

That in the opinion of the undersigned, the Township is a political subdivision, duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, is a political subdivision as such term is used in Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and is a governmental unit within the meaning of Section 148(f) of the Code.

That in the opinion of the undersigned, the interest due upon the unpaid balance of principal under said Agreement is exempt from Federal income taxes under the Code and State of Michigan income taxes as a municipal obligation for strictly public purposes.

That in the opinion of the undersigned, the Township has designated the obligations under said Agreement as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of the deduction of interest due under said Agreement by the Bank from income tax liability pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

The Bank and any of its assigns may rely upon this opinion subject to the following: (a) the undersigned has not been engaged to act, and has not acted, as counsel to the Bank and any of its assigns in connection with the above matters; and (b) no attorney-client relationship exists, and no attorney-client relationship has at any time existed, between the undersigned and the Bank or any assigns of the Bank by virtue of this opinion.

Dated: _____, 2016

Eric C. White, P53527
Counsel for Charter Township of Blackman