

EAST BAY CHARTER TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NO. 2012-16

RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO SIGNS PLACED ON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY

At a regular meeting of the Township Board for the Township of East Bay Charter, Grand Traverse County, Michigan, held in the Township Hall located at 1965 N. Three Mile Road, Traverse City, Michigan, on the 13th day of August, 2012.

PRESENT: B. Strait, B. Marrow, C. Goodrich, M. Courtade, S. Courtade, G. Lile

ABSENT: NONE

The following resolution was made by B. Strait and seconded by C. Goodrich, to-wit:

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of East Bay owns parcels of real property utilized for the seat of its government as well as parks and related facilities within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of East Bay desires to ensure that its property is utilized for all lawful public and governmental purposes for the benefit of its citizens without the endorsement or the image of endorsing a religious, political, or commercial beliefs or endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the placement of signs on Township owned property by private citizens, religious organizations, or groups which advertise or endorse a religious, political, or commercial belief or endeavor implies official recognition and reinforcement of such message on the part of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of East Bay believes that such signs are not proper and within the scope of governmental and public use of Township property.

NOW THEREFORE it is resolved:

1. Only the following signs can be placed on Township property, whether

temporary, in or on a vehicle visible to the public, or permanent by the Township or as authorized by the Township:

- a. Signs placed by the Township or authorized agent or agents of the Township identifying governmental structures, offices or other features located on Township owned property.
- b. Signs placed by the Township or authorized agent or agents providing directions to and within Township owned property.
- c. Signs notifying the public of parking areas for motorized or non-motorized vehicles or the prohibition thereof.
- d. Signs located in Township parks identifying activity areas including, but not limited to, sport facilities and areas, general recreational areas, bike routes and similar activity or routes of passage through Township parks.
- e. Signs allowed in Township parks used to identify temporary events as allowed by Township policies or under the ordinances of East Bay Charter Township.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Township staff and the Township may utilize this resolution to amend any policies or ordinances addressing signs on Township property as applicable on either existing or future Township regulations, policies, or ordinances as allowed by law.

YES: B. Strait, C. Goodrich, T. Bartlett, M. Courtade, B. Marrow, S.Courtade

NO: G. Lile

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

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By: _____
Glen Lile, Supervisor

I, Susanne M. Courtade CMC, the undersigned, the Clerk of the Charter Township of East Bay, Grand Traverse County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by said municipality of Grand Traverse County at its regular meeting held on August 13, 2012 relative to adoption of the resolution therein set forth; that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Dated: _____

Susanne M. Courtade CMC, Clerk