

**TOWNSHIP OF BIRCH RUN
SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AN INTERMUNICIPALITY COMMITTEE
UNDER MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 200 OF 1957 FOR PURPOSES OF
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING IN THE SAGINAW COUNTY STUDY AREA
NO. 04-09

At a Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board, Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Meeting Room on the 11TH day of May, 2004, at 7 o'clock Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Earl Schlegel, Jeff Putnam, Amy Cook, Ed Magnus, Dave Stewart,
and Joanne Strahm
ABSENT: Debbie Trevino

The following resolution was made by Magnus and seconded by Stewart:

WHEREAS the urban transportation planning regulations implementing sections of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962, and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, require that each urbanized area, as a condition of receipt of Federal transportation capital or operating assistance, have a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive (3-C) transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS the Saginaw Metropolitan Area Transportation Study was initiated in 1965 to conduct a transportation planning process in response to the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962 and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended; and

WHEREAS urban transportation planning funds from the United States Department of Transportation are available, directly or indirectly to the Saginaw Metropolitan Area Transportation Study to carry out the transportation planning process in the Saginaw County study area; and

WHEREAS The Township of Birch Run has previously participated and agrees to continue to participate with other local municipalities in the comprehensive, cooperative and continuing transportation planning process for the Saginaw County study area; and

WHEREAS Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 provides for the creation, by two or more municipalities of an Intermunicipality Committee for the purpose of studying area problems; and

WHEREAS the Intermunicipality Committee may accept gifts and grants from the Federal, State and local governments, also from private individuals,

foundations or agencies, if such grants are made for the furtherance of the objective s for which the Intermunicipality Committee is established; and

WHEREAS resolution to join in creating an Intermunicipality Committee as provided by Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957, does not obligate the Township of Birch Run to any dues, fees or other financial commitments to the Intermunicipality Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Birch Run, along with the other member municipalities of SMATS, has duly considered the creation of such an Intermunicipality Committee and The Township of Birch Run does hereby agree to join with those municipalities similarly agreeing to jointly and mutually establish and organize an Intermunicipality Committee under Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 for the purpose of studying the area transportation problems of mutual interest and concern, such Intermunicipality Committee hereafter referred to as the SMATS Intermunicipality Committee;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

1. The SMATS Intermunicipality Committee created by this resolution shall be that organization previously established and presently operating as a voluntary association under the name Saginaw Metropolitan Area Transportation Study.
2. In addition to the municipalities herein named, and accordance with the by laws, the SMATS Intermunicipality Committee shall include a duly appointed representative from the East Central Michigan Planning and Development Region, MBS Airport, Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services, Michigan Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Michigan State Police, and the Bay County MPO.
3. Membership on the Committee may in the future include other such units of government, agencies, commissions or committees that would be eligible in accordance with the by-laws.
4. The by-laws, as approved by the Saginaw Metropolitan Area Transportation Study Policy Committee and attached hereto, shall be the by laws of the SMATS Intermunicipality Committee.
5. The SMATS Intermunicipality Committee shall operate and act in compliance with and under the authority of Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 and shall have the duties, privileges and rights prescribed in that Act.

6. **The SMATS Intermunicipality Committee shall develop transportation plans and programs for the Saginaw Urbanized Area, integrally considering local, county, regional and state plans.**
7. **The SMATS Intermunicipality Committee's broad objectives encompass, but are not limited to the following:**
 - **To develop transportation plans and programs and establish processes for the continuing review of plans, recommendations and programs to facilitate the movement of persons and goods in the Saginaw County Study Area;**
 - **To design and carry out the assembling and analysis of information pertaining to transportation within the area;**
 - **To coordinate transportation facility implementation and operation within the Saginaw Study area;**
 - **To review and evaluate the planning and programming of transportation related activities, projects and programs within the Saginaw Study area as they may impact the transportation system;**
 - **To assist in project implementation, where such projects require organizational, functional, and operational analysis and/or to undertake those implementation functions not reserved to other agencies or as may be appropriately delegated by such other agencies;**
 - **To establish and implement a continuing program of public information regarding transportation planning, programs and projects.**

Signatories to this resolution mutually agree to join in and ascribe to this comprehensive, continuing and cooperative transportation planning process for the Saginaw Study Area, in fulfillment of the requirements of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962, the Urban Mass Transportation Administration Act of 1964, as amended, and other relevant acts, regulations, or directives pertaining to Federal and State participation in the transportation planning program and project in the Saginaw Urbanized Area.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

YEAS: Amy Cook, Earl Schlegel, Ed Magnus, Joanne Strahm, Dave Stewart, and Jeff Putnam

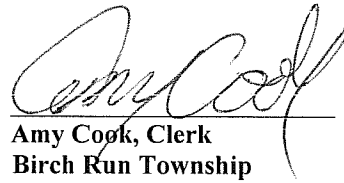
NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: Debbie Trevino

**STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF SAGINAW)**

I, the undersigned, the fully qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete Copy of a resolution adopted at a special meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Birch Run, Michigan, held on the 11th day of May, 2004, the original of said meeting was given to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto fixed my official signature on this 12th day of May 2004.



Amy Cook, Clerk
Birch Run Township