UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

MICHAEL DORMAN et al.,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 15-cv-12552 Hon. Matthew F. Leitman

v.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON,

Defendant.

ORDER (1) DENYING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO REOPEN DISCOVERY (ECF No. 110) AND (2) REQUIRING PARTIES TO ATTEND IN-PERSON <u>SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE</u>

On July 16, 2020, the Court held an on-the-record status conference in this action. For the reasons stated on the record during the status conference, Plaintiffs' motion to reopen discovery (ECF No. 110) is **DENIED**.

In addition, as the Court explained on-the-record, as soon as a new Magistrate Judge is assigned to this matter, the Court will refer this case for an in-person settlement conference with the Magistrate Judge. Pastor Dorman shall personally attend the settlement conference, and Clinton Township shall have both a representative with full settlement authority and a representative of the Township's insurance carrier attend the conference as discussed on the record. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the conference will not be held until it is safe and practicable to do so.¹

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 16, 2020

s/Matthew F. Leitman MATTHEW F. LEITMAN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon the parties and/or counsel of record on July 16, 2020, by electronic means and/or ordinary mail.

s/Holly A. Monda Case Manager (810) 341-9764

¹ In lieu of a settlement conference with the assigned Magistrate Judge, the parties may facilitate this case with a private facilitator of their choice. If the parties chose to facilitate, that facilitation, like the settlement conference, shall be held in person as soon as it is safe to do so. If the parties choose to privately facilitate this matter, they shall inform the Court as soon as a facilitation is scheduled.