

Regular Meeting  
Charleston Township Board  
April 25, 2000

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Supervisor who led those present in the pledge of the allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Roll was called and members present were: Bell, Whitehead, Kasson, Samson and Kramer. Absent: None. Also in attendance: Anne & Dennis Ward, Sara Thunman, Patsy Longfield, Ann & Don Elzinga, and Dorothy Struble.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Motion by Whitehead/Kasson to adopt the agenda with the addition of two items under NEW BUSINESS d. Water system soil borings and e. Approval of Planning Commission seminar fees. CARRIED  
Whitehead/Kasson moved to approve the March 28, 2000 regular meeting minutes. CARRIED  
Whitehead/Samson moved to approve the March 28, 2000 closed session minutes as presented. CARRIED  
Motion by Kasson/Whitehead to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2000 special meeting. CARRIED

POLICE, FIRE, ZONING AND ASSESSORS REPORTS:

6. No Assessor report
7. No Zoning Administrator's report
8. Fran reported that the Fire Board had received funding for arms for the Jaws of Life and air packs. Motion by Samson and supported by Whitehead to accept the fire report as presented. CARRIED

CITIZEN TIME:

Dennis Ward asked about the meaning of a comment that Art had made that was recorded in the March 17, 2000 minutes concerning the evaluation process of the township attorney. The meaning of the comment was explained.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Fran and Linda reported that BFI was chosen as the contractor for the spring trash drop-off per the March 28 meeting directive. They had the most reasonable rate. The trash drop-off was scheduled for Saturday, May 20, 2000 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. The Board decided against a joint drop-off with the City of Galesburg because we needed to act as available Saturday dates were disappearing quickly.
- b. After some discussion Kasson/Whitehead moved to authorize Fran to contact BESCO Water Treatment, Inc. to begin hot and cold bottled water service to the township hall for a trial period of six months.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Fran reported that it was Comstock's turn to pay for dust control on the gravel portion of South 36<sup>th</sup> Street. Samson/Kasson moved to approve the contract with the Kalamazoo County Road Commission to apply a 38% solution of calcium chloride brine to all the gravel roads with the exception of that part of East L Avenue west of 46<sup>th</sup> Street or the .25 mile of South 48<sup>th</sup> Street south of East MN Avenue. The cost was \$0.387 per gallon for interrupted application at the rate of 1,350 gallons per mile and the application will be to approximately 200 to 300 feet of road in front of each home and at intersections. CARRIED

- b. After some discussion and questions about the contract with Siegfried, Crandall, Vos and Lewis, Kasson/Samson moved to table action on the contract until Linda has checked the price, the limits and the dates. CARRIED
- c. Kasson/Samson moved to approve the Board Resolution form that authorizes Fran Bell to act as coordinator of the Federal Surplus Program. CARRIED
- d. Whitehead/Samson moved to authorize Prein/Newhoff to do soil borings on the proposed water tower site at Eaton's at the estimated cost of \$1500.00 to \$2000.00 for three (3) borings. CARRIED
- e. Whitehead/Kasson moved to approve that registration fees be paid for anyone who wants to attend the Planning Commission seminar scheduled for June 12, 2000 at the Kalamazoo Radisson Plaza Hotel from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. CARRIED

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

Fran mentioned the KCRC road count for North 38<sup>th</sup> Street, the targeted road for upgrading and paving this summer. He also discussed the Statewide Advisory Council, the Wellhead Protection Program of the Village of Augusta that asks for the support of the township, the dissemination of information and the encouragement of participation of the township residents. Regarding the Ahlrich fax, it was decided to wait for the Planning Commission to make the necessary changes to the section of the ordinance that pertains to accessory buildings. It was decided to postpone a decision on appointing someone to the open Planning Commission position. Fran announced the opening of a position on the Fireboard.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Year to Date receipts \$3,196.89, disbursements: \$0.00, transfers from savings to general fund: (\$119.00), General fund balance: \$85,576.42, Beginning balance was \$82,498.53, Received since March Board meeting \$0.00. Kasson/Samson moved to accept the Treasurers report for April as received. CARRIED

#### MEMBERS TIME:

Chuck announced that there would be a meeting of the Planning Commission subcommittee on May 2, 2000 at 7 p.m. It was discussed that authorization for two monthly PC meetings had not been withdrawn.

Kasson/Samson moved to authorize Jim to make an agreement with CTS for phone service. CARRIED

Kasson/Whitehead moved to accept the proposed 2000 budget of the Cable Access Center based on the information provided. CARRIED

Fran reported that Rich Pierson of the Gull Lake Sewer and Water Authority will be coming to the May meeting of the township Board to answer questions about the Franchise agreement.

#### READING & DISPOSITION BILLS

Samson/Kasson moved that the bills be allowed and that warrants be drawn on the treasury for their respective amounts. CARRIED

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Kasson moved to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk