

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
April 26, 2005

The Township Board met with the Kalamazoo County Road Commission at 6:30 to discuss projects and ask questions.

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 allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Roll was called and members present were: Bell, Schug, Samson, and Kramer. Absent: Hiestand. Also in attendance: Dennis Ward, Patsy Longfield, Larry A. and Larry R. Bolhuis, Gil Colver, Larry Combs, Janice Crow, Ron Reid, Dennis Berkebile, Jeffrie Maddox, Reed Youngs, Lorence Wenke, and many concerned citizens from Lakeview Meadows.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Motion by Samson/Schug to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED Schug/Samson moved to approve the March 22, 2005 regular meeting minutes with the addition of Attorney Craig Rolfe to the list of those in attendance and the addition of the phrase "for the Rambling Trails development" to the end of the motion made under New Business, item g. CARRIED Samson/Kramer moved to approve the March 22, 2005 closed meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED Samson/Schug moved to approve the April 8, 2005 special meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED Bell/ Schug moved to approve the April 14, 2005 special meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

POLICE, FIRE, ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS:

6. No Zoning Administrator's report.
7. There was no Planning Commission meeting in April. There will be one on May 17, 2005.
8. No action was taken on the fire report. Board representative, Nelson Hiestand, was absent from the Board Meeting. The Fire Board minutes reflected that John Roelof was appointed to fill the at-large vacancy on the Fire Board.

CITIZEN TIME:

Larry R. Bolhuis complained that the letter he received from Township Attorney Craig Rolfe contained an error. Janice Crow, the Charleston Township representative on the Lawrence Memorial Library Board, explained how the library benefited from the contributions of the township. Dave Stupak, a resident of Lakeview Meadows, asked about the status of the site condominium's private roads. Gil Colver read and submitted a letter he wished to have included in the record concerning Lakeview Meadows.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Fran reported that, due to an excellent price on asphalt, the township was able to fund the repair of an additional road this year. The Board has decided to regravell 39th Street from 2640 feet south of MN Avenue to MN Avenue.
- b. Fran reminded the audience of the Spring Trash and Tire Drop-off scheduled for April 30, 2005 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Fran said that he had secured four men from the K-PEP program to help with the Drop-off.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Members of the Kalamazoo County Road Commission answered questions from the audience about road standards. They reported that KCRC has a website: www.kalamazoocountyroads.com.
- b. Fran submitted a draft copy of the Fiscal Year 2006-2008 Transportation Improvement Program for the Kalamazoo Metropolitan Area. The Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study (KATS) is working to obtain public comment regarding these projects.
- c. Schug/Kramer moved **to approve the application request of Roger Roof for a fireworks permit on provision of the necessary documents and to authorize the supervisor to sign the documents.** CARRIED
- d. After some discussion about township liability and the proposed contract submitted by Life ems, Samson/Schug moved **to request, authorize and direct the Fire Board to solicit proposals from area ambulance providers.** CARRIED
- e. Kramer/Samson moved **to approve the selection of FLEIS & VANDENBRINK as the consultant for the township's Wellhead Protection Program.** Roll Call Vote: Samson – Y; Schug – Y; Bell – Y; and Kramer – Y. CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

Fran submitted copies of the KCRC Schedule of Township Expenditures and the Schedule of Township Mileage and Population. In response to several inquiries from township residents, he reported that the liquor license for the former Moonraker Restaurant has been transferred but the buyer hasn't been able to finalize an agreement with the owner of the building. He also told residents to look for the township newsletter in the mail.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Year to Date receipts \$3,859.35, disbursements: \$0.00, transfers to savings from general fund: \$1.06, General fund balance: \$188,689.65, Beginning balance was \$184,831.36, Received since March Board meeting \$3,859.35. Samson/Kramer moved to accept the Treasurer's report for April as received. CARRIED

MEMBERS TIME:

Linda reminded the residents of the election coming up on May 3, 2005. Fran greeted Representative Lorence Wenke, who stopped in to observe the meeting.

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Schug moved to adjourn at 9:04 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk