

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
August 22, 2006

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, Samson, Schug, Hiestand and Kramer. Absent: None. Also in attendance: Phyllis Rose, Larry A. Bolhuis, Don & Ann Elzinga, and Pat Longfield.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Motion by Samson/Schug to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED Hiestand/Schug moved to approve the July 25, 2006 regular meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

POLICE, FIRE, ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS:

6. Fran reported that Norm Zomer had accepted the position of hearing officer for a Dangerous Structure Hearing to be held a date still to be determined.
7. Art detailed the informal sketch plan that was the focus of the Planning Commission meeting of August 15, 2006. He said that density, sewage disposal and screening were the Commission's biggest concerns. Hiestand/Schug moved to accept the Planning Commission minutes. CARRIED
8. Schug/Samson moved to receive the fire report. CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Fran explained that the Fire Chief has had no success in receiving payment from Swift Trucking for an accident on I-94. Fire Chief Henson has requested the help of the township in collecting the \$1100. bill. Bell/Hiestand **moved to authorize the supervisor to contact Attorney Rolfe to put together a letter to Swift Trucking requesting payment.** CARRIED
- b. Fran reported that the Target Consent Judgment is in place and just waiting for the stipulation to be signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Samson/Hiestand **moved to adopt a resolution opposing the Stop Over Spending initiative proposed for the November ballot.** Roll Call Vote: Samson – Y; Schug – Y; Bell – Y; Kramer – Y; and Hiestand – Y. CARRIED
- b. Fran reminded the board of the MTA Fall District Meeting coming up and told them to let the clerk know if they intended to sign up for it.
- c. Fran reported that Gull Lake Sewer Authority was considering an expansion of the franchised area in the township and wanted to know if the township would be supportive of the project. Hiestand/Samson **moved to inform Gull Lake Sewer Authority that the township would be willing to consider any proposals when we get a serious application for development.** CARRIED
- d. Fran said that letters of information were being sent out to all the residents in the Wellhead Protection area.
- e. Fran hoped that some township officials would be able to attend the MSU Extension Program at KVCC that would review the Right to Farm Site Selection process.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Fran had letters of information from Household Hazardous Waste reporting record amounts of waste disposed of, and KCRC concerning grant money for rebuilding South 38th Street.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Year to Date receipts: \$72,074.64, disbursements: \$149,290.54, transfers to savings to general fund: (\$9.43), General fund balance: \$150,981.18, Beginning balance was \$228,206.51, Received since July Board meeting \$3,155.75. Hiestand/Samson moved to accept the Treasurer's report for August as received. CARRIED

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS:

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

CITIZENS' TIME:

Don Elzinga wanted to know when the renovation of the township hall would be completed. He was told within a month. Ann Elzinga asked about the restaurant on the river. Fran didn't have anything definitive. Larry Bolhuis inquired about the status of the landfill. Fran said things are moving slowly in selling it.

MEMBERS TIME:

Nelson reported that the Galesburg-Charleston Fire Authority audit had been received. Fran is working on setting a date for the Fall Trash Drop-off.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Hiestand moved to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk