

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
December 19, 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, Schug, Hiestand, Samson and Kramer. Also in attendance: Phyllis Rose, Pat Longfield, and Scott Wiebe.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Motion by Hiestand/Schug to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED Hiestand/Samson moved to approve the November 28, 2006 regular meeting minutes with one correction to the Fire Report. The motion to approve the fire report was for November instead of October. CARRIED Hiestand/Samson moved to approve the December 7, 2006 special meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

POLICE, FIRE, ZONING AND ASSESSORS REPORTS:

6. No Zoning Administrator's report
7. There was no Planning Commission meeting for the month of December.
8. There was no Fire Report for December, as the Fire Board will meet on December 20, 2006.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Captain Timmerman was unable to attend the meeting due to a death in his family.
- b. Fran suggested some revisions to the Fee Schedule and advised the Board to review the Schedule for the next meeting.
- c. The Board perused the budget, but decided to postpone any transfers until next month except for the Sewer & Water Fund. The Water Fund needs replenishing from the General Fund because expenses exceed current revenues. Hiestand/Schug **moved to amend the budget to transfer \$10,000 from contingency in the General Fund to the Water Fund.** CARRIED
- d. Linda listed the various appointments to the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. Samson/Hiestand **moved to approve the reappointment of Art Samson, Sue Balkema and Don Kramer to the Planning Commission for three year terms, the reappointment of Mary Phillips and Michael Dennis to three year terms on the Zoning Board of Appeals, and the reappointment of Nancy Murray, Arthur Pursel and James Whitehead to the Board of Review for two year terms if they are willing to continue their service.** Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Fran submitted information he had received from the Juvenile Home Foundation and the Poverty Reduction Initiative

TREASURER'S REPORT

Year to Date receipts: \$137,995.04, disbursements: \$295,495.68, transfers from savings to general fund:

(\$6,258.15), General fund balance: \$64,447.72, Beginning balance was \$228,206.51, Received since November Board meeting \$910.58. Samson/Hiestand moved to accept the Treasurer's report for December 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

CITIZEN TIME:

Scott Wiebe asked if the township has requested a refund of the legal fees paid to the township attorney for the Lakeview Meadows case and if not, why not? He is under the impression that Attorney Rolfe knew that the roads in Lakeview Meadows were private because Rolfe set up the lighting district and referenced private roads at that time. Fran told him that the township had not requested a refund. He said that he would send a letter to Attorney Rolfe and send a copy to Mr. Wiebe along with a copy of Attorney Rolfe's reply.

MEMBERS TIME:

Nelson commented positively on the City of Galesburg's Winter Wonderland festivity. Linda questioned the letter from Dayle Harrison of the Kalamazoo River Protection Association requesting a status report from Charleston Township about any existing waterfront development as well as a list of future needs and plans. They also requested a contact person. Fran said that he would send something.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Hiestand moved to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk