

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
March 27, 2007

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. Absent: None. Also in attendance: Patsy Longfield, Larry A. Bolhuis, Phyllis Rose, Dennis Ward, Bruce Dean, and Bert & Vicky Gale.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Motion by Samson/Schug to adopt the agenda with the addition of 10f. Amendment to AGS Agreement and 10g. Cable Access Center 2007/2008 Budget. CARRIED Hiestand/Samson moved to approve the February 27, 2007 regular meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED Samson/Hiestand moved to approve the March 6, 2007 special meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

POLICE, FIRE, ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION REPORTS:

6. No zoning administrator's report.
7. Art reported that Planning Commission members had a conversation only with Terry Seybert concerning his proposed restaurant, because there was not a quorum.
8. Nelson said that the Fire Board reviewed the Office of Emergency Management's Michigan Emergency Management Assistance Compact (MEMAC) and forwarded it to the township and the City of Galesburg for their approval. The Board had some questions they wanted answers to before approval was granted. Samson/Schug **moved to table action on the Office of Emergency Management request for approval of its statewide agreement.** CARRIED Samson/Schug moved to receive the fire report. CARRIED Samson/Hiestand **moved to authorize the supervisor and the clerk to sign the mutual aid agreement with Climax.** CARRIED The agreement had been previously approved. Nelson said that he would provide an updated copy of the 2007/2008 Fire Board budget.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. After a review of the bids, Hiestand/Schug **moved to accept the bid of Allied Waste for the Spring Trash Drop Off with the stipulation that the revenue from the metal recycling goes to the township.** CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING: 2007/2008 BUDGET

At 7:30 p.m. Schug/Samson moved to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing to take public comment on the proposed 2007/2008 budgets. Roll Call Vote: Hiestand – Y; Kramer – Y; Bell – Y; Schug – Y; and Samson – Y. CARRIED

There were no public comments. At 7:45, Samson/Schug moved to close the public hearing and return to the regular meeting. CARRIED (See attachments.

- a. Hiestand/Samson **moved to approve the chip seal of HJ Avenue from 36th Street to 37th Street, the chip seal of North 38th from one mile north of M-96 to 1.97 miles north of M-96 and the chip seal of MN Avenue from Mercury Drive to 46th Street and to authorize the supervisor and the clerk to sign the necessary papers.** Roll Call Vote: Samson – Y; Schug – Y; Bell – Y; Kramer – Y

and Hiestand – Y. CARRIED

- b. Hiestand/Samson **moved to contract with B& C Lawn Care for 2007/2008.** CARRIED
Hiestand/Samson **moved to reappoint all contract services providers.** CARRIED

Contract Services for 2007/2008

- 1. Lawn Care Ben Holtz – B&C Lawn Care
 - 2. Cemetery Sexton Ben Holtz – B&C Lawn Care
 - 3. Engineer Prein & Newhof
 - 4. Accountant Siegfried Crandall PC
 - 5. Attorney Bauckham, Sparks, Rolfe, Lohrstorfer & Thall, P.C.
- c. Hiestand/Samson **moved to adopt the Township Board meeting schedule and the Planning Commission schedule for 2007/2008.** CARRIED
 - d. Samson/Hiestand **moved to table action on the computer quotes in order to get some more information.** CARRIED
 - e. After some explanation from Bruce Dean of Associated Government Services concerning the requested increase in the fees charged for services, Hiestand/Samson **moved to approve amendment of the agreement with AGS and to authorize the supervisor to sign the necessary papers.** CARRIED
 - f. Hiestand/Schug **moved to approve the Cable Access Center 2007-08 Budget.** CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

Fran confirmed that the Kalamazoo County Road Commission will meet with the Township Board at 6:30 p.m. on May 22, 2007 and will stay for the Board meeting to answer citizen questions. Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services offered to schedule a presentation to provide information about the newly implemented methamphetamine contamination response program in Kalamazoo County.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Year to Date receipts: \$344,074.54, disbursements: \$351,423.31, transfers from savings to general fund: (\$20,181.72), General fund balance: \$200,676.02, Beginning balance was \$228,206.51, Received since February Board meeting \$162,448.44. Hiestand/Samson moved to accept the Treasurer’s report for March 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:

Patsy Longfield asked about the restaurant formerly known as Moonraker’s. Fran said that work was being done on the inside of the building. Jan Yingling is moving the Time-Out Lounge into the building.

MEMBERS TIME:

Art asked if any more information had been forthcoming concerning the Fire & Police Training Facility. There is nothing new.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Hiestand moved to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk