

Regular Meeting  
Charleston Township Board  
December 18, 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. Also in attendance: Larry Bolhuis and Bruce Blakeman.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Motion by Samson/Hiestand to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED Hiestand/Schug moved to approve the November 27, 2007 regular meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED Hiestand/Samson moved to approve the December 6, 2007 special meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

POLICE, FIRE, ZONING AND ASSESSORS REPORTS:

6. No Zoning Administrator's report
7. Art Samson, Township Board Trustee and Chair of the Planning Commission, informed the Board that the Planning Commission recommended the rezoning of three parcels of property located on East MN Avenue east of South 44<sup>th</sup> Street. The Clerk read a letter from Wade Adams, a township property owner who was opposed to the rezoning. After some discussion about the rezoning and the Administrative Site Plan Review (ASPR), Hiestand/Schug **moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to adopt the text amending Section 23.7 subsection 5.(c).(4) regarding standards for special exception use approval of earth removal land uses and related operations, the text amending the lead-in paragraph of Section 24.2 pertaining to uses subject to site plan review, and the text adding a new Section 24.11 to the Township Ordinance referring to an administrative site plan review process.** CARRIED Hiestand/Bell **moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezoning of parcels 3908-35-151-022, 025, and 028 located on East MN Avenue east of South 44<sup>th</sup> Street from Ag-1 Exclusive Agriculture District to Ag-2 General Agriculture District.** Roll Call Vote: Hiestand – Y; Samson – Y; Schug - ; Bell – Y; and Kramer – Y. CARRIED
8. There was no Fire Report for December, as the Fire Board will meet on December 19, 2007.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. After some discussion, Hiestand/Samson **moved to adopt the draft ordinance regarding residential waste reduction as presented.** Roll Call Vote: Samson – Y; Schug – Y; Bell – Y; Kramer – Y; and Hiestand – Y. CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. The Board discussed the feasibility of Board members receiving training to make changes to the Website in house. Hiestand/Samson **moved to approve website maintenance training with Lund and Lund (the company that built the township website) at the township offices for a fee of \$150.** CARRIED

## COMMUNICATIONS:

Fran said that he had received the maintenance agreement proposal which will provide for the inspection of the cathodic protection corrosion control equipment in the water tower. The fee has increased \$20 this year to \$570. Fran also reported a conversation with the appointed County Drain Commissioner, Pat Krause, concerning the Townline Drain. Apparently, eight parcels in the township will be affected. There is a court date of February 1, 2008 for a hearing on contempt issues regarding Galesburg Speedway. The Supervisors' Meeting of December 11, 2007 covered many topics including waste hauling.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Year to Date receipts: \$128,005.63, disbursements: \$211,367.49, transfers from savings to general fund: (\$3,311.54), General fund balance: \$98,223.01, Beginning balance was \$184,896.41, Received since November Board meeting \$1,974.48. Hiestand/Kramer 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:

Bruce Blakeman thanked the Board for their time and consideration of his request for a rezoning of three family parcels.

## MEMBERS TIME:

Nelson commented on the opening of Munn's Convenience Store on the corner of Fort Custer Drive and East Michigan Avenue. Fran said that he would contact Galesburg Heating about installing the power vent fan on the roof of the township hall. He asked Nelson to check on how many of the nine I-94 runs in October were billable. He also wants to look into an alternative to our current method of handling postage on large envelopes. There has been a lot of confusion since the new postage methods went into effect last spring

## MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Hiestand moved to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk