

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
November 22, 2011

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: Schug, Balkema, Bell, Samson and Kramer. Also in attendance: Tom McGhee, Jim Woodin and a Western grad student in urban planning.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Balkema/Samson moved to adopt the agenda with the addition of 6c Weighmaster Program and 6d LIAA Update. CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA:

Samson/Balkema moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted consisting of:

1. October 25, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes, Special Meeting Minutes and Closed Meeting Minutes
2. November 8, 2011 Special Meeting Minutes and Closed Meeting Minutes
3. Zoning Administrator's Report
4. Fire Department – Joint Fire Board Report
5. Communications
6. Treasurer's Report

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Schug/Samson **moved to authorize the purchase of a new water meter from Etna Supply and installation in the amount of \$5000 to replace a defective meter at the Target Distribution Center.** CARRIED Etna provided the lowest quote.
- b. Lt. Wally Kipp emailed his monthly report on calls for service.
- c. Fran asked the Board to review for the next meeting the proposal for moving the Weighmaster Program from the Road Commission to the Sheriff's Department.
- d. Fran presented additional information on the LIAA (Land Information Access Association) program and asked the Board to review it before the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Balkema/Samson **moved to continue Household Hazardous Waste services with funding of \$1500 and authorized the supervisor to sign the agreement.** CARRIED
- b. The quarterly report of the Household Hazardous Waste Center indicated that Red Med Boxes are coming soon. The boxes will be located at Kalamazoo City Public Safety, Crosstown, the County Sheriff's Office, the Kalamazoo Township Police Department on Mt. Olivet Road and the Portage Police Department. Each box will be located in the police/Sheriff department's lobby and will allow residents daily access to secure disposal of unwanted medications. The boxes are self-serve and are monitored 24/7.
- c. **After some explanation of the adjustments, Schug/Balkema moved to adjust the**

- budget for the following accounts: Deputy Treasurer (\$1500), Lawn & Grounds (\$200), with \$5000 coming from the Transfer to Water Account. CARRIED**
- d. **Balkema/Schug moved to approve support for 12 inch resolution for the update of the 2009 Pictometry images in a flyover in 2012. CARRIED**
 - e. Fran reported that the Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Laboratory will be closed to the public for all water testing services effective December 28, 2011. The last day the lab will accept water samples for testing will be December 27, 2011.
 - f. After a review of the information provided and questioning of Speedway representatives Tom McGhee and Jim Woodin, Balkema/Schug **moved to approve the issuance of building, plumbing and electrical permits contingent upon an inspection of the requested areas of repair by AGS (Associated Government Services) and a report of findings to the township. CARRIED**

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS

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

CITIZEN TIME:

No comments.

MEMBERS TIME:

Fran distributed a letter to the Governor from David Maturen, Chair of the Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners protesting the proposed elimination of personal property tax. He also handed out a spreadsheet that detailed how much Kalamazoo County and each municipality would lose under the proposal. Charleston collects \$143,778.74 in personal property tax primarily for the school districts and the county.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Balkema moved to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk