

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
December 20, 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.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Balkema/Samson moved to adopt the agenda with the addition of 6d. Bankruptcy Court CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. November 22, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. December 15, 2011 Special Meeting Minutes and Closed Meeting Minutes
3. Communications
4. Treasurer's Report

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Balkema/Schug **moved to table action on the Weighmaster Program.** CARRIED
- b. Lt. Wally Kipp sent his monthly report on calls for service in the township.
- c. Balkema/Schug **moved to table action on the LIAA (Land Information Access Association) Program.** CARRIED
- d. Fran presented information on the Galesburg Speedway LLC bankruptcy hearing. The Board considered initiating condemnation proceedings of the non-conforming use (Galesburg Speedway) through the right of eminent domain.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Fran reported that Shirley Kasson resigned as the township representative to the Galesburg Memorial Library. Samson/Balkema **moved to appoint Mary Phillips as the township library representative.** CARRIED
- b. Balkema/Schug **moved to reappoint Al Ahlrich to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Linda Locey as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and Philip Larson and Walt Kohnke to the Planning Commission for three year terms provided they are still willing to serve.** CARRIED
- c. Balkema/Samson **moved to approve the request of John Keith, Senior Vice Commander, General Benjamin Pritchard Camp 20, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, to reset the gravestone of Civil War Veteran Captain Phillip Gray Cory which is located in Riverside Cemetery contingent upon insulation of the township from liability for potential physical and property damages.** CARRIED

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS

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

CITIZEN TIME:

No attendees.

MEMBERS TIME:

Linda presented two proposals for replacement of the office server and four work stations for review by the Board members. Brenda asked for direction on whether to invest or keep in the General Fund a CD that is coming due. It was decided to keep it in the General Fund for the time being. Fran reported that Etna would install the new Target water meter on Tuesday, December 27, 2011. He also reported, in response to a question from the November 22, 2011 Board Meeting, that the Pictometry flyover would encompass Fort Custer.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Balkema/Bell moved to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk