

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
January 24, 2012

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, Bell, Samson and Kramer. Absent: Balkema
Also in attendance: Lt. Wally Kipp, Pat McCann, Tom McGhee, Tim McGhee, and David Elliott

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Samson/Schug moved to adopt the agenda with the addition of 7c. Fire Board Budget Adjustment.
CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. December 20, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. January 17, 2012 Special Meeting Minutes.
3. Planning Commission Report
4. Joint Fire Board Report – December 21, 2011 and January 18, 2012
5. Communications
6. Treasurer's Report

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Pat McCann read a statement to the Board concerning Galesburg Speedway. He agreed that the Township has the authority to videotape the premises at a mutually convenient time per the court order. The Board asked if Mr. McCann wanted his statement to be a part of the public record. He said that he did want that, but he wanted to send the Township a typed copy of the statement.
- b. Lt. Wally Kipp presented his monthly report on calls for service in the township and answered questions from the Board members.
- c. Fran presented information from Attorney Rolfe regarding the Target tax appeal and a potential appraiser.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Due to the Presidential Primary election on February 28, which is the established Board Meeting day, Samson/Schug **moved to change the Board Meeting date to Thursday, February 23, 2012 at 7 p.m.** CARRIED
- b. The Township Board reviewed the Pride Care Ambulance Contract. There were some questions about the length of the contract.
- c. There were also some questions about the Joint Fire Board budget after the Board reviewed the Equipment Capital Outlay portion of that budget. Fran, Brenda and Linda will talk to Secretary/Treasurer Ken Thoroughman and possibly the Fire Board accounting firm, Hayward Tax Accounting, to gain some understanding.

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS

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

CITIZEN TIME:

No comments were forthcoming. All attendees had already left the meeting.

MEMBERS TIME:

Linda presented the Cable Access Center annual budget for Board approval. Schug/Samson **moved to approve the 2012-2013 Cable Access Center budget.** CARRIED Linda also requested another laptop computer with a 17 inch screen to be used as an e-poll book in the elections as well as used in the township office. She had just received a quote from the township tech person, Dave Lance, but she wanted to do some additional comparison. Samson/Schug **moved to authorize Linda to research laptop computer options and purchase a portable computer for an amount not to exceed \$1150.** CARRIED Fran tentatively scheduled a budget workshop meeting for February 21, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. He also informed the Board that gravel mining permits were up for renewal and that the Board would be reviewing the permit requests at the February Board meeting. Attorney Rolfe has indicated that a Public Hearing is no longer required.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Schug moved to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk