

Charleston Township  
Regular Meeting  
November 28, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by the Supervisor who led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

The Clerk called the roll and members present were: Vander Roest, Schug, Balkema and Kramer. Samson arrived at 4:06 p.m. Also present were Captain Amy Price and Matt Elliott.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Schug/VanderRoest moved to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of 7d under New Business: Resolution Waiving Penalties CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. October 24, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Zoning Administrator's Report/Building Permits
3. Fire Department – Joint Fire Board Report
4. Communications
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Library Minutes
7. Attorney's Report
8. Zoning Board of Appeals
9. Sheriff's Department Monthly Report

CARRIED

Balkema/Samson moved to recognize the letter of resignation from the District Library Board of Cindy Roe. CARRIED

Captain Price reviewed the Sheriff's Department Report for Charleston Township for the month of November and answered questions from the Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. The Board will continue to work on future water and sewer distribution lines. The Board must decide whether to extend sewer lines now or wait until more is known about the missile project that may be located in Fort Custer on the Charleston Township side.
- b. Jerry reported that he has received the sewer maintenance records he requested from the City of Kalamazoo for the Township's discussion with Gull Lake Sewer & Water about switching maintenance of sewage distribution lines.
- c. Jerry said that he had gone through the Township records to find costs for the water system for the past 8 years. Jerry is working with Max Engels from the Michigan Rural Water Association to determine new water rates by January.
- d. The deadline for the Galesburg Speedway to complete rectifying their ordinance violations passed without the work being completed. Jerry and Bert Gale will meet with the owners to determine

exactly what remains to be completed. Balkema/Schug moved to table action on Galesburg Speedway ordinance violations until December 19, 2017, the next Board meeting. CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Jerry related that there will be a Public Hearing on December 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Augusta Village Hall on the proposed Kalamazoo River Valley Trail through Charleston Township to review and receive input from local residents.
- b. Jerry reported that he had received the police report for the accident on ML Avenue that dumped a load of corn and diesel fuel. A claim will be sent to the insurance company as soon as all the information has been gathered.
- c. The Road Commission of Kalamazoo County sent the schedule for PAR Funds Redistribution, Contracts and Final Obligation. The Road Commission is recommending HMA Wedging and Chip Seal for five streets in the Township.
- d. Balkema/Schug moved to adopt the Resolution Waiving Penalty Fees & Interest For Failure To File A Property Transfer Affidavit. Roll Call Vote: Samson – Y; Schug – Y; VanderRoest – Y; Kramer – Y; Balkema – Y. 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 one was present.

MEMBERS TIME:

Jerry reported that the Road Commission has a new policy concerning dust control on gravel roads. They will no longer require municipalities to pay for dust control. The Road Commission wants to apply dust control four times a year. The next Board meeting will be on December 19<sup>th</sup> because of the Christmas holidays.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Schug moved to adjourn at 5:26 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk