

Regular Meeting  
Charleston Township Board  
October 23, 2018

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 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: Vander Roest, Schug, Kramer, Balkema and Samson. Mark Worden, Dan Moyle, Deborah Buchholtz, David Pawloski and Rebekkah Ausbury of the Road Commission of Kalamazoo County were also present.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Balkema/Schug moved to approve the agenda as presented. CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. September 25, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. October 11, 2018 Election Meeting
3. Fire Department – Joint Fire Board Report
3. Zoning Administrator’s Report/Building Permits
4. Planning Commission Report
5. Communications
6. Treasurer’s Report
7. Library Minutes
8. Attorney’s Report
9. Gull Lake Sewer Authority Agenda/Minutes
10. Sheriff’s Department Monthly Report

CARRIED

Members of the Road Commission answered Board questions and presented information concerning past, present and future road projects at the annual joint meeting with the Township. Jerry gave the Commission a list of items that need attention in the Township.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. The Board briefly discussed the estimates for security systems from Dave’s Security, Engineered Protection Systems, Inc. (EPS) and HI-TECH Electric Company. Balkema/Samson **moved to accept the estimate of Dave’s Security for burglar protection, smoke and fire protection and an additional \$1000 for panic buttons for the office cubicles.** CARRIED
- b. Jerry reported that he had contacted Bosker Brick about a solid metal door for the election room so that the room can be locked to protect the election equipment. Balkema/Samson **moved to authorize the expenditure of \$500 to purchase and install a metal door for the election room.** CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Jerry explained the options for financing sewer hookups with and without a grinder. He asked the Board if the Township wanted to help with the financing of the property owner's cost by offering them the choice of finding their own financing or putting the amount on their tax bill and paying it off over 15 years at 7% interest. Vander Roest/Samson **moved to offer sewer financing arrangements to everyone in the Township regardless of the type of hookup.** CARRIED
- b. Samson/Balkema **moved to table action on painting the fire hydrants until November.** CARRIED
- c. Jerry showed the Board where he thought the South 40<sup>th</sup> Street and East Michigan street light should go. Vander Roest/ Samson **moved to authorize Consumers Energy to install a new light and spend no more than \$5000.** CARRIED
- d. Kramer/Vander Roest **moved to make budget adjustments of \$100 to the Audit account, \$181 to the Equipment Maintenance account, and \$503 to the Cemetery Maintenance account from the Contingency account for a total of \$784.** 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

CITIZENS TIME:

No comments were offered.

MEMBERS TIME:

Jerry said that he will take a little time off next week. Brenda said that she would contact Dave's Security about the Board's decision.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Balkema/Samson moved to adjourn at 5:47 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk