

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
December 18, 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, and Samson. Absent: Balkema. Kathy VanderRoest was also present.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Samson/Schug moved to approve the agenda with the addition of one item: under Old Business a. Adopt Resolution Approving Contract with Consumer Energy. CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. November 27, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. 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

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Samson/Schug moved to adopt the Resolution to enter into a contract with Consumers Energy Company of Jackson, Michigan for furnishing lighting service within the Township of Charleston for a period of five years and thereafter from year to year, in accordance with the terms of the contract heretofore submitted to and considered by this Board.** Roll Call Vote: Samson – Y; Schug – Y; Vander Roest – Y; and Kramer – Y. CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Jerry reported that the results from the testing of the leachate and solid were in. The results are being reviewed and a report will be forthcoming.
- b. **Vander Roest /Schug moved to appoint Don Kramer and Sue Balkema to the Planning Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2021.** CARRIED **Schug/ Kramer moved to appoint Linda Behnke, Chris Balkema, Jackie Holtz and Jim Whitehead as alternate to the Boar of Review for a two year term ending December 31, 2020.** CARRIED **Schug/Vander Roest moved to appoint Mark Applegren to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year term ending December 31, 2021.** CARRIED

Vander Roest /Samson **moved to table action on the appointment of a Library Representative to replace Brent Sinon. CARRIED**

- c. Jerry confirmed that the letter regarding sewer billing to the 72 sewer customers in the Township had been sent. The letter explains the switch from the City of Kalamazoo to Gull Lake Sewer and Water Authority and the billing process.
- d. Jerry provided a Memorandum of Understanding from the Supervisors of Kalamazoo County regarding the consolidated dispatch authority and options for funding. The Supervisors were concerned about representation on the board of directors if the townships must contribute to the funding from their General Funds.
- e. Samson/Schug **moved to approve the Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study's Contributed Service Agreement for fiscal year 2020 in the amount of \$100 of in-kind contributed services and to authorize the Supervisor to sign it. CARRIED**
- f. Jerry provided a notice of an informal open house workshop regarding the updating of Cold Brook Park's Master Plan.
- g. Jerry reported on continuing difficulty in getting an accessory building moved and collecting a \$53 reinspection fee on the Postlewait property at 3823 N 38th Street. There were three attempts. Samson/Kramer **moved to grant an extension until March for Mr. Postlewait to move the accessory building.**

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS:

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

CITIZENS TIME:

Kathy Vander Roest asked some questions about the ZBA, parks and Mr. Postlewait.

MEMBERS TIME:

Jerry reported that the street light contract is completed, PAR funds have increased slightly, the asbestos has been removed from the roadsides, the last leg of the River Valley Trail will cost \$180,000, and ordinance violations are being worked on. Art asked if everyone had received a letter about the sewer changes. He was assured all 72 customers had been sent a letter.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Samson/Schug moved to adjourn at 5:08 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk