

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
January 22, 2019

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 Balkema. Absent: Samson. John Crumb and Aaron Grogg from GLS&WA were also present. Hunter Dodge and Gary Anthony arrived at 6:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

1. December 18, 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

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. After some discussion Schug/Balkema **moved to appoint Veronica Bolhuis to the Board of the Galesburg-Charleston Memorial District Library to complete the term of Brent Sinon which expires December 31, 2020.** CARRIED
- b. Jerry reported that the Postlewait Zoning violation had been resolved. The shed has been moved and the dog house is incidental to the property.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. The Board commenced a long discussion with John Crumb and Aaron Grogg of Gull Lake Sewer & Water Authority about the leachate in the sewer line on 40th St from the landfill to L Avenue. John explained that the material coating the sewer lines extends further than originally thought. It extends 2.5 miles, even into the new sewer lines under the highway at Exit 88. All those sewer lines will need to be cleaned and checked regularly for a rebuild-up of leachate. There was discussion about how to proceed. Jerry will contact the township engineer, Tom Wheat, from Prein & Newhof and the township attorney, Craig Rolfe. The Township will check with MTA and other municipalities that may have had similar experiences to see how they handled the

situation and what the outcome was.

- b. Jerry explained the proposal by Hunter Dodge and friends for a brewery/meadery on the corner of East Michigan and McCollum. The application for a beer and wine license will be coming up along with a Public Hearing for a Special Exception Use for the property.

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS:

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

CITIZENS TIME:

Hunter Dodge and Gary Anthony explained their plans for the Norse Nectar Meadery and answered some questions from the Board.

MEMBERS TIME:

Jerry reported that the road contracts have been signed, a circuit board was replaced in the furnace and a leak in the water pipes in the ladies' restroom was repaired. He indicated that he would like to attend an MTA Capital Conference legislative meeting on February 27 in Lansing. He also mentioned that the generator at the lift station by Target was back online and the river lift station has been repaired as well.

Balkema/Schug moved to authorize Linda to transfer the appropriate amounts from the Contingency Account (\$8216) and the Legal Account (\$1114) to the Mileage (\$719), Computers/Support (\$2,144), Computer Software (\$343), Equipment Maintenance (\$112), Miscellaneous (\$539), Capital Expenditures (\$2526), Drains (\$217), Roads (\$122), Contractual Services (\$1543) and the Household Hazardous Waste (\$449) Accounts for a total of \$9,930.

CARRIED

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Balkema/Schug moved to adjourn at 6:14 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk