

Regular Meeting
Charleston Township Board
February 26, 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, Samson and Balkema. John Crumb and Aaron Grogg from GLS&WA, Brendan Ragotzy, and Kathy Vander Roest 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. January 22, 2019 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:

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. John Crumb updated the Board on the status of the leachate problem in the sewer lines in the 40th Street/L Avenue area. 1. He has bids from Clean Earth Environmental and Plummer’s from Grand Rapids. Plummer’s had the better bid. GLSWA preferred working with them. Kalamazoo City said that they would take the debris that is removed from the lines and dispose of it. The plan is to have the work completed before May. 2. With the help of GLSWA, the Board developed a sewer connection application. John clarified that the Township collects the benefit and connection fees and GLSWA issues the sewer inspection permits. Anyone on a sewer line that is within 200 feet of their property line must hook up to the sewer line if their septic system fails. Vander Roest/Samson **moved to approve the Sanitary Sewer Connection Application form with five changes.** CARRIED 3. John reported that GLSWA paid \$376.04 for repairs to the River Lift Station. The Target Lift Station cost \$9,029.41 to replace. The City of Kalamazoo will cover that cost. 4. An agreement with the Village of Augusta concerning the sewer pressure line that runs from Augusta down M-96 has not been completed. 5. On the question of determining the sewer benefit for American Brewer, it was decided to compare other brewers to get a consensus.
- b. Samson/Balkema **moved to contract with Siegfried Crandall to perform the 2018/2019 audit.**

CARRIED

- c. Balkema/Samson **moved to authorize Jerry to attend the MTA Conference in Grand Rapids April 2 through the 4th.** CARRIED
- d. After a brief review of the request from Brendan Ragotzy, Balkema/Samson **moved to approve the proposed ordinance No. 157 (Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment) for summer stock theatre with the elimination of the last line in Section 3, “25. Summer Stock Theatre, a. On-Site Housing.** Roll Call Vote: Samson – Y; Schug – Y; Vander Roest – Y; Kramer – Y; and Balkema – Y. CARRIED 1. The Township Attorney provided specific legal guidance to initiate the formal legal process associated with the proposed Future Land Use Map (FLUM) amendments regarding the NRK Contracting application, and the three parcels on application of Midco/Schmitt. Based on this legal guidance, Balkema/Samson **moved that the Township Board approve distributing for comment purposes pursuant to Sections 39 and 41 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act the proposed amendments of the 2005 Charleston Township Land Use Plan Future Land Use Map to change the planning classification of parcel number 08-29-226-011 from Rural Residential Estates to Light Industrial, and to change the planning classification of the following three parcels from Agriculture 2 to Light Industrial: 08-28-101-010,08-28-126-020 and 08-28-16-011.** Roll Call Vote: Balkema – Y; Samson – Y; Schug – Y; Vander Roest – Y; and Kramer – Y. CARRIED
- e. Balkema/Schug **moved to approve the contract for continued participation in the Kalamazoo County Household Hazardous Waste program, to provide a maximum of \$2000 and to authorize the supervisor and clerk to sign the agreement.** CARRIED
- f. Jerry asked the Board to review the Consumers Energy Company Gas and/or Electric Franchise Ordinance for the next Board meeting.

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

MEMBERS TIME:

Don asked for the semi-annual Fire Board contribution from the Township. Jerry reported that Art Samson will be resigning from the Board effective April 1. Brian Moravek has submitted an application that will be considered at the next Board meeting. Jerry said that there are six applicants for two positions on the Road Commission, the County is still trying to find funding for the 9-1-1 program, and the Budget Workshop meeting will be March 14 at 9:00 a.m. Brenda reported that PNC Bank is leaving Galesburg. She may have to find another bank for daily deposits.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Balkema/Schug moved to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk