

Regular Meeting  
Charleston Township Board  
October 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, Moravek, Schug, Kramer and Balkema. Also present were Captain Amy Price, Betty and Don Barker, and Alex Phelan.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Schug/Balkema moved to approve the agenda with the addition of 8i.: 2020Poverty Guidelines.  
CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- a. September 24, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. Zoning Administrator's Report/Building Permits
- c. Communications
- d. Treasurer's Report
- e. Attorney's Report
- f. Gull Lake Sewer Authority Agenda/ Minutes
- g. Library Minutes & Report
- h. Sheriff's Department Monthly Report
- i. Fire Department Reports
- j. Planning Commission

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Jerry reported that he had followed up on complaints of business operations at Miller Dr. LLC, but he had not received any return calls from the people and organizations he had been directed to contact.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Plummer's requested an additional \$1200 for traffic control as they make the repairs to 4 cracks in the sewer line along E. Michigan. Balkema/Schug **moved to amend the September 24, 2019 motion to add \$1200 to the Plummer proposal for crack repair to cover traffic control for a total of \$17,200.** CARRIED
- b. Schug/Balkema **moved to adopt the Land Division application form with the addition of Section D.** CARRIED
- c. Kramer /Balkema **moved to authorize the Township Attorney to review and update the Township application forms.** CARRIED
- d. Having approved the commencement of the procedure to amend the 2005 Charleston Township Land Use Plan Future Land Use Map by the Planning Commission at a Special Meeting held on October 18, 2019, Moravek/Balkema **moved approve distributing for comment purposes pursuant to Sections 39 and 41 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act the proposed amendment to the 2005 Charleston Township Land Use Plan Future Land Use Map to**

**change the planning classification of parcel numbers 08-04-151-080, 08-04-151-070, and 08-04-151-060 from Rural Residential Estates to Agriculture 2. CARRIED**

- e. Linda reported that she had contacted CTS again to see if the Township could get faster internet yet. She said that even doubling the current speed would be insignificant and too expensive. She said that she would look into other types of internet like wireless. Schug/Vander Roest **moved to table action on faster internet until November.**
- f. Schug/Vander Roest **moved to change the date for Board of Review to March 11 due to scheduling the Presidential Primary for March 10, 2020. CARRIED**
- g. The Board discussed the draft Flow Through Agreement and Service Agreement with GLS&WA and the Flow Through Agreement with the Village of Augusta.
- h. Moravek/Balkema **moved to receive the GLS&WA 2018 and 2019 Financial Audit. CARRIED**
- i. Moravek/Balkema **moved to approve the Hardship Exemption Application Form and the Federal Poverty Guidelines with a \$15,000 asset test. CARRIED**

READING & DISPOSITION BILLS:

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

CITIZEN TIME: No comments were, offered.

MEMBERS TIME:

Jerry reported that the streetlight on 40<sup>th</sup> St. was installed, the Township received a check from EMS Insurance Company for storm damage cleanup, Shane Jones sold his property to his girlfriend, the County denied the Township's road millage, Kalamazoo County 911 is looking for funding, the Trash Drop Off volume was down a little from last year, there has been some vandalism at the Township Hall, and no sewer damage was seen from Emerson Geophysical. The Village of Climax has a new outdoor camera system that Jerry would like to see, and the audit was satisfactory as usual. After a brief explanation of the problem, Vander Roest /Balkema **moved to request the Planning Commission review the fencing requirements of the Zoning Ordinance and make a recommendation to the Township Board. CARRIED**

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Schug/Vander Roest moved to adjourn at 5:49 p.m. CARRIED

Linda Kramer, Clerk