

Minutes of Regular meeting of Charlton Township Board--February 12, 2007

The regular February meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Matt Nowak at 7:00 pm on Monday, February 12, 2007.

All board members present.

Others present: Bob Fleury, Dennis Valade, Bob Pewinski, Mike McCarthy, John Burt, Keith Huff, Mike Proctor, Tammy Myers, Sally Nowak, Lee Olsen, Ron Koronka, James Quandt.

Those present recited the pledge to the flag.

Edwartowski moved, Samkowiak supported, to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting as printed. Ayes, all. (4). Motion carried.

Kim Samkowiak presented the Treasurer's report as follows: General Operation, \$ 183,217.19; Roads Account, \$ 110,127.95; Fire/EMS Account, \$ 55,220.89.

Edwartowski moved, Maschke supported, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Ayes, all. (4). Motion carried.

Maschke moved, Samkowiak supported, to transfer \$ 300.00 from 101-451 (Roads & Signs) to 101-450 (Street Lights) Ayes, all. (4). Motion carried.

There were no questions from the audience.

Old Business: Need to appoint a person to the Trustee position to fill a vacancy on the board due to the fact that Deb Milbocker resigned effective 12/31/06. Matt Nowak listed those persons who have applied. Six (6) persons applied including Mike Proctor, Keith Huff, Julie Pewinski, Don Irrer, Mike McCarthy and Mike Colosimo. Talked about who would be the best candidate for the position. After discussion, Edwartowski moved, Matt Nowak supported, to appoint Mike McCarthy to the unexpired term of Trustee. Since there is no primary election in 2007, the term will run until November, 2008. Maschke recommended Keith Huff for the position citing his experience as a trustee in the past. After discussion, the vote passed 3-1 (Maschke) in favor of Mike McCarthy. The clerk issued the Oath of Office to Mike McCarthy and he took his seat on the board.

Discussed J/L Schools request to collect summer taxes on all of the school's millages. Discussed and read a contract between the township and school for collecting the summer taxes. Maschke moved, Edwartowski supported, to sign a corrected contract with J/L Area Schools for summer tax collection. Contract to include \$ 2.50 per parcel payment to the township from the school so that the township does not lose funds from the current agreement with the state of Michigan. Contract to expire on June 30, 2014. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Talked about contributing funds to the Planning Commission of Otsego County to help with their budget expenses. Nowak moved, Edwartowski supported, to contribute \$ 1760.00 to the Otsego County Planning Commission for FY 2007-08. Reopen contract on May 1, 2008. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

New Business: Talked about the upcoming hazardous waste collection. The township would pay \$ 500.00 towards the set-up of the event and individuals would pay \$ 1.00 per pound for hazardous waste dumping. Edwartowski moved, Mike McCarthy supported, to pay up to \$ 500.00 towards the set-up for hazardous waste removal. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Kim reported that an individual would like to rent the kitchen at the hall for a for-profit business adventure. The board was not interested in having the kitchen used daily or weekly for this project.

Township will hold a budget workshop and public hearing for 2007-08 budgets of the township on Thursday, March 15, 2007. Workshop at 5:00 pm and public hearing at 8:00 pm.

Discussed getting some shelving for the hall kitchen storage for trays and about getting a small freezer for the bar area.

County Commission: Lee Olsen gave a report on county activities. Talked about the new airport terminal, 9-1-1 by-laws and the state getting into the oil/gas calabrating business to try to get a handle on the oil companies bookkeeping. Lee also stated that the county will be honoring Ralph Holiwinski for his war time service. John Burt gave a report on jail committee meetings.

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Fire: Ron Koronka talked about fire department needs for equipment. He says the department needs some new hose, a small generator and other equipment.

EMS: Tammy Myers reported that the EMS department had 96 runs last calendar year. She also reported that she has candidates lined up to join the EMS squad. Waiting for classes to start.

Planning Commission: Jim Quandt stated they are working on private road ordinance. Talked about mixed zoning. Talked about the new Meijer Store coming to Gaylord. Board has completed language on kennels and signs.

Assessing: Sally talked about upcoming board of review.

Joe Edwartowski gave a report on the county commissioner's meeting he attended.

Edwartowski moved, McCarthy supported, to pay the General Operation bills presented in the amount of \$ 28,058.49. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.