

The regular July meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Matt Nowak at 7:00 pm on Monday, July 13, 2009.

All board members present. Others present: Mike Colosimo, Bob Fleury, Bob Harkness, Willard Brown, Karyn Warsow, Doug Kussrow, Dave & Shirley Potter, Joe Edwartowski, Duane Switalski, Jackie Klepadlo and Sally Nowak.

Those present recited the pledge to the flag.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting as printed. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Kim Samkowiak presented the Treasurer's report as follows: General Operation, \$ 270,379.51; Roads Account, \$ 51,694.37; Fire/EMS Account, \$ 173,008.47. McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Next regular Charlton Township meeting will be August 10, 2009.

Next regular O.C.T.O.A. meeting will be July 21, 2009, at Otsego Lk Township.

Audience: Bob Fleury talked about the O.R.V. Ordinance. Discussed the map of roads open to ORV travel. Talked about the township website. Shirley and Dave Potter talked about the first Farmers' Market day at the hall. She stated that there were six (6) vendors and expects more for the next one next week.

Old Business: Willard Brown was present to talk about the progress on the proposed Veteran's Memorial in conjunction with the Street Scape project. Talked about the size and shape of each stone memorial. The flag pole will be 40' tall and will handle a very large flag if necessary. There are eight (8) granite benches proposed. Possibly three (3) sold so far. Matt asked for some foundation specs. for the monuments so that the township can work on that. Benches need to be ordered by October 1, 2009, and the bricks may be sold over the winter and ordered in the spring. Talked about whether to allow laser pictures on the seat of the benches. Most thought that it would not be good to have pictures engraved on the seat of the benches. Discussed the wording that will be on the monuments. Willard stated that there will be more advertising for the sale of bricks and benches.

Doug Kussrow was present to talk about dugouts for the ball field. Talked about specs. and what the township could do to help out with the cost. Township would need to do some excavating, move the fence and water line and possibly the parking lot railing. Doug thought that the little league could pay for the dugouts. Keith thought that the township should pay for the construction of the dugouts and have the little league help out with the construction. Doug will come back with more information on prices.

Talked about paving specs. for the township hall parking lot. The preliminary price of \$ 87,000.00 is considerably more than the township is willing to spend at this time. Talked about capping the lot or fixing some of the areas of the lot. Matt will get more information and prices.

Matt presented the adjusted prices for the contracted roadwork on Brown and Fairgrieve Roads.

New Business: Karyn Warsow gave a presentation on T.I.G.E.R. (Transportation Investment Generation Economic Recovery). This is Discretionary Grant Funding through the Federal Stimulus package. She asked for a Resolution supporting the Otsego County Road Commission and the City of Gaylord in their quest for grant funding. (attached). Maschke offered the RESOLUTION with support from Huff. Roll call vote found five (5) ayes, (0) nays. Resolution adopted. RESOLUTION on page 101 of minute book.

The summer cleanup day at Arrow Sanitation is scheduled for August 8, 2009, from 8 am until 11:00 am.

Matt notified those present that he will be ordering six (6) tables and extra legs for the township hall. Total price to be approximately \$ 1400.00.

Talked about replacing the sign in front of the township hall on M-32. Cost should be approximately \$ 500.00. Matt will check.

Decided not to get a mid-term audit of township funds.

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Reports:

County Commission: Bob Harkness gave a report on county activities. He stated that there is not a lot going on at this time. The county board will be adopting a policy for the Groen Estate. He stated that there will be plane rides available during the Alpenfest. Cost will be \$ 10.00 a ride.

EMS: Jackie notified the board that she has applied for a credit card at Alpine Cleaners because she took in a uniform with blood on it and they needed to have a credit application filled out. Putting run reports on the computer now. Cabinets are in and installed in the barn. Discussed the proper way to open an account for credit.

Planning: Mike says proposed master plan has been adopted. Wind turbine rules for residential are being worked on. They are updating zoning and planning rules.

Duane Switalski reported that everything is going well. Those present thanked Duane for his work during the 4th of July Celebration.

Sally Nowak reported that she is still working on Tax Tribunal Cases. She stated that the township will need approximately 1965 cards to send out for the cleanup day.

Mike McCarthy talked about recycling. There is talk about a \$ 25.00 per household fee to help fund recycling in the county. A survey has shown that 87% of responses support the \$ 25.00 fee.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay the General Fund bills presented in the amount of \$ 18,620.71. Checks number 17393 - 17420. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay the Fire/EMS bills presented in the amount of \$ 8,958.66. Checks number 1649 - 1682. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.