

## **GENOA TOWNSHIP**

**Regular Meeting**

**April 18, 2005**

### **MINUTES**

Supervisor McCririe called the regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board to Order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was then said. The following board members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Gary McCririe, Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Jean Ledford, Jim Mortensen, Steve Wildman and Todd Smith. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal and approximately fifteen persons in the audience.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Andrew Lutman - I would ask this board to consider a change to the burning ordinance and restrict burning to just Saturday. Chemung Outdoor resorts burns all summer long on a daily basis. Cheryl Richards – Burning is so bad that I can't breathe. Fires smolder all night. I would be happy to pay double to have my yard waste picked up on a weekly basis. Archinal was asked to contact Chemung Outdoor Resorts to make sure that they were not burning garbage. It was the consensus of the board to consider additional action as related to this request.

#### **Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Moved by Smith, supported by Ledford, to approve the consent agenda items as submitted. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nay – None. Absent – None.

- 1. Payment of Bills.**
- 2. Approval of Minutes: March 21, 2005**
- 3. Request for approval of resolutions related to the Hidden Ponds Sanitary Sewer Project (2005).**
  - A. Resolution No. 1 (to proceed with the project and directing preparation of the plans and cost estimates.**
  - B. Resolution No. 2 (to approve the project, scheduling the first hearing and directing the issuance of statutory notices.**
  - C. Request for approval of a resolution related to the Hidden Ponds Drain authorizing the assumption of jurisdiction and control over the drain from the Livingston County Drain Commission.**

**4. Request for approval of resolutions related to the Rolling Meadows Subdivision Road Improvement Project No. 1**

- A. Resolution No. 2 (to proceed with the project, approve the plans and details and direct the preparation of the special assessment roll).**
- B. Resolution No. 3 (acknowledging the filing of the special assessment roll, scheduling a hearing and directing the issuance of statutory notices).**

**Approval of Regular Agenda:**

Moved by Hunt, supported by Wildman, to approve the review of the Regular Agenda with individual action of the board on each item as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. Request for approval of a resolution authorizing the application to the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, Office of Land and Facilities for conveyance of said land to Genoa Township for a value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources for property identified as 11-33-200-003, 11-34-100-008 and 11-34-300-006.**

Archinal advised the board that the property would be available at a cost of 1.5 million for the 50 acres and 2.5 million for the 80 acres. Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to approve the resolution No. 050418 contingent upon review and approval from Township Attorney Heikkinen to assure that the resolution is non-binding. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nay – None. Absent – None.

**6. Request for approval of a special use permit, site plan and impact assessment to increase hours of operation to 24 hours for CVS pharmacy located at 2235 E. Grand River, petitioned by Velmeir Co. LLC and discussed by the Planning Commission 03/14/05.**

**A. Disposition of Special Use.**

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Skolarus, to approve the Special Use with the following conditions:

- 1. The petitioner will change the lighting on the site to meet the guidelines of the Township ordinance.
  - 2. The petitioner will update the landscaping on the site to meet the existing Site Plan.
- The motion carried unanimously.

**B. Disposition of impact assessment (02/10/05).**

Moved by Ledford, supported by Hunt, to approve the impact assessment with 24 hours of operation. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. Disposition of site plan (08/02/01).**

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Smith, to approve the site plan with the following conditions:

1. The petitioner will change the lighting on the site to meet the guidelines of the Township ordinance.
  2. The petitioner will update the landscaping on the site to meet the existing Site Plan.
- The motion carried unanimously.

**7. Request for approval of the impact assessment (02/23/05) corresponding to site plan (revised 03/08/05) for construction of a 24,920 sq. ft. office and manufacturing warehouse building for Ryson Tube located at 2095 Euler Road, petitioned by Longman Enterprises as discussed by the Planning Commission 03/14/05.**

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Ledford, to approve the impact assessment with the following conditions:

1. The existing well will be abandoned and all buildings will be connected to the municipal water system.
2. The gravel parking lot located at the back of the site will be paved within two years of completion of the building and the petitioner will provide a bond or Letter of Credit in an amount equal to the cost of paving to ensure completion.
3. Colors and materials presented this evening are acceptable and will become the property of the Township.
4. There will be no outside storage on this site.
5. Any trees along the north property line that die within one year shall be replaced on a tree per tree basis with evergreens meeting Township ordinance requirements.
6. The petitioner will meet the requirements of TTMP's letter dated March 9, 2005, specifically Items 6, 7, 8 and 11.
7. Construction plans will be required for the proposed water main.

The motion carried unanimously.

**8. Request for approval of an impact assessment corresponding to a sketch plan for a proposed glazed canopy for the Wal-Mart Garden Center located at 3850 E. Grand River, Sec. 5, petitioned by Wal-Mart as discussed by the Planning Commission 03/28/05.**

Moved by Ledford, supported by Smith, to approve the impact assessment with the following conditions:

1. Prior to presentation to the Township Board, Wal-Mart will come in compliance with the PUD Agreement in the following ways:
  - a. The propane supply cage will be removed.
  - b. The semi trucks that are currently parked in the lot will be removed.
  - c. The folded boxes on the site shall be eliminated.
2. Building materials reviewed this evening are acceptable and will become the property of the Township.

The motion carried unanimously.

**9. Request for limestone paving of Fishbeck and Itsell.**

The board discussed the projects for the next couple years. Richardson will be completed next fiscal year, Beck and Fisk in 2006 and Fishbeck in 2007. Archinal was directed to contact the road commission and ask that the road be graded and the potholes filled and then to advise our residents accordingly. The board took no formal action.

**10. Request for approval of an amendment to the General Fund Budget for fiscal year 2004/2005 and review of the work sheet budget for fiscal 2005/2006 as submitted by Skolarus.**

Moved by Hunt, supported by Mortensen, to approve the amendment to the General Fund Budget as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

The board took no formal action on the work sheet for fiscal year 2005/06. The budget will again be reviewed in May.

**11. Request for approval of Planning and Zoning Review Fees for Commercial, Industrial and Residential Site Plans as recommended by Archinal.**

Moved by Hunt, supported by Skolarus, to approve the fees as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

**12. Request for approval of a bid for construction of the Grand River Sidewalk as discussed by the township board on Jan. 3, 2005.**

Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to award George A. Odien, Inc. the contract for the installation of the sidewalk along Grand River Avenue, west of Golf Club Road, at a cost of \$62,775.00, with the township portion being \$33,585.00. This action is subject to approval of the Oceola Township Board in the shared cost of the entire project. The motion carried unanimously.

**13. Consideration of a request to appoint a F.O.I.A. coordinator as requested by McCririe.**

Moved by Hunt, supported by Mortensen, to approve the appointment of Michael Archinal as the F.O.I.A. coordinator for the township. The motion carried unanimously.

Articles of Incorporation were discussed concerning Howell Area Parks and Recreation. The board took no formal action but was supportive of the \$54,334.00 annual support to the Fund on behalf of township residents who participate.

A request by Amelia Griese for a local historic district ordinance was discussed. The board took no formal action.

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It was the consensus of the board that the Clerk would contact Neil Lehto concerning the Metro Extension, Pan Handle Eastern Pipe Line and Comcast Cable and invite him to a meeting with the board to discuss issues related to our concerns.

It was the decision of the board to deny a request from Ron Ingersoll for the sale of Christmas Trees at the Elks Lodge.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus  
Genoa Township Clerk

(Press Argus 04/27/05)