

**GENOA TOWNSHIP
Election Board
Regular Meeting
Nov. 1, 2004**

MINUTES

Chairman Skolarus called the regular meeting of the Election Board to order at 6:25 p.m. at the Genoa Township Hall. The following board members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Paulette A. Skolarus, Robin Hunt and Gary McCririe.

Moved by McCririe, supported by Hunt, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Consideration of a recommendation to the Township Board for approval of salaries and officials scheduled to work Nov. 2, 2004.

Moved by McCririe, supported by Hunt, to approve the recommendation for salaries and officials to work the General Election. The motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting of the Election Commission was adjourned.

**GENOA TOWNSHIP
Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
Nov. 1, 2004**

MINUTES

Supervisor McCririe called the public hearing and regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Genoa Township Hall. 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, Anthony Combs, Jim Mortensen, Todd Smith and Jean Ledford. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal, Township Attorney Rick Heikkinen and approximately ten persons in the audience.

A call to the public was made with no response.

Approval of Regular Agenda.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Hunt, to approve the regular agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

- 1. Payment of Bills.**
- 2. Approval of Minutes: Oct. 18, 2004**
- 3. Request for approval of an agreement to provide legal services in dealing with FTAG Investments rezoning.**
- 4. Request for approval of salaries and officials scheduled to work the Nov. 2, 2004 General Election.**
- 5. Request for approval to purchase four computers at a cost of \$3,620.00 as recommended by the Administrative Committee.**

Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to approve the five items listed on the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Items for Discussion:

- 6. Public Hearing with regard to a request for approval of the sketch plan for an amendment to previously approved site plan to allow for additional grading for Cedar Closet Self Storage, Sec. 10 on the south side of Grand River between Dorr and Gray Roads, petitioned by Cedar Investments, LLC and reviewed by the Planning Commission on October 25, 2004.**

Wayne Perry of Desine addressed the board on behalf of the petitioner. Perry - We are requesting the lowering of property by two and one-half feet between building E and the detention pond. The five thousand cubic yards of material will be deposited on the north side of the site (along Grand River).

A. Call to the public.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Trygve Haug – How many tons of dirt has been brought into this site? They have been hauling truckloads in every week for months. Perry – I don't know. Haug – The water is coming across the road and runs across my property. McCririe – This site is not designed to drain onto your property. Perry – This entire site drains to the detention pond. The culvert on Grand River still takes all the water from the undeveloped portion of the site. Willard Howe – The low spot of our neighborhood runs between parcels 33 and 34 and then to a drain at Wonderland Marina. Any grade change may create additional problems for us. McCririe – Any future development may require additional landscaping to protect Gray Road.

B. Disposition of request for additional grading.

Moved by Smith, supported by Skolarus, to grant the request as outlined in the site plan of 10/28/04 and the impact assessment of 10/10/04 with the following conditions:

- The drainage adjacent to lot 34 shall not be altered.

- This approval is not an endorsement or approval for any future development in this area.
- Steps will be taken by the property owner to alleviate the runoff across Grand River to homes on the north side.
- The petitioner should open a dialog with Crystal Gardens for landscaping on the berm. Further, provide any correspondence between Crystal Gardens and the petitioner to the Township Manager with regard to combined landscaping.
- For clarification: The only change being approved is to allow for additional grading and that all aspects of the original approved plan must be complied with.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Public Hearing on unsafe structures located at 1145 Cresthaven, and owned by Cindy and Lawrence Dopkowski.

McCririe – No written response was received from the property owners. Lawrence Dopkowski was present at the public hearing. Dopkowski – I am trying to sell the house myself and have an offer on the house. I expect to close within the month. McCririe - The neighbors shouldn't have to live next to that house. Heikkinen – The house should be removed within 60 days. The petitioner may again petition the Township Board at a subsequent meeting if the sale is forthcoming.

A. Call to the Public.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Todd Woods – Animals are running in and out of the house. We need to get it torn down.

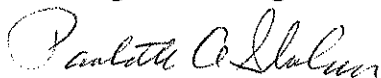
B. Disposition of request to demolish.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Smith, to accept the findings of Mr. Salatka that the house is unsafe for human habitation. Further, that the structure will be removed within 60 days or the owner will provide evidence that the structure is sold and pull permits related to renovation. The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Hunt, to cancel the regular meeting of the board scheduled for 11/15/04. The motion carried unanimously.

Anthony Combs was thanked for his contribution to Genoa Township and his work on the board for the past four years.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.



Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk

(PA 11/10/04)