

**GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

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

A Call to the Public was made with the following response: Jeff Schreiber of Sunrise Rotary addressed the board concerning their maintenance of the Chilson Hills Cemetery. Twice a year the rotary works on the Chilson Hills Cemetery. A plaque to that affect will be installed on the fence at the entrance of the cemetery. The rotary was thanked by the board for all their hard work on behalf of Genoa Charter Township.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Moved by Hunt, supported by Ledford, to approve items one thru four and item six. The petition regarding the construction of the sidewalks will be considered under the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

**1. Payment of Bills**

**2. Request to approve minutes: 9-2-08**

**3. Approval of the Michigan Association of Planning Conference budget.**

**4. Request for approval of a website design contract with Network Services Group for the development of a new Township web site at a cost of \$9,000.00.**

**5. Request for renewal of a contract with Pfeffer, Hanniford and Palka for auditing services for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008 ending March 31, 2011.**

**Approval of Regular Agenda:**

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Wildman, to approve the regular agenda with the addition of the construction of the sidewalk. Further, Skolarus will abstain from discussion of petition 9 concerning Challis Ct. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. Request to award a bid to Concrete Construction, Inc. for the construction of sidewalks along Grand River Ave. and to approve a revised project budget.**

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Wildman, to award the contract to Concrete Construction, Inc. at a cost of \$153,917.91. Further, to authorize a Request to Change Authorization with Tetra Tech for \$13,500.00 The motion carried unanimously.

**7. Consideration of a request from RainCatchers to be recognized as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining charitable gaming licenses.**

Moved by Ledford, supported by Hunt, to approve the resolution for a charitable gaming license as requested. The motion carried as follows. Ayes – Ledford, Hunt, Wildman, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – Mortensen and Smith.

**8. Request to receive the audit as performed by Pfeffer, Hanniford and Palka concerning the Township’s financial expenditures and revenue for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008.**

Ken Palka addressed the board and gave an unqualified opinion concerning the audit of Genoa Charter Township Funds. Palka asked that the board consider a review of investments with diversification of funds where possible. He also expressed a concern with Lake Edgewood and Oak Pointe deficits in the sewer funds.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Smith, to accept the audit as performed and to thank Pfeffer, Hanniford and Palka for their work on behalf of Genoa Township. The motion carried unanimously.

**9. Request for approval to Proceed with the Project and Approve the Plans and Cost Estimates and Establish the First Public Hearing for the Challis Court Road Improvement Project.**

Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to approve Resolution No. 1 for the Challis Ct. Road Improvement Project and to set the public hearing for Oct. 6, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen and McCririe. Nay – None. Abstain – Skolarus.

Smith advised the board that Howell Parks and Recreation will adopt the master plan and that the plan is qualified and he asked that the township consider adopting the same plan. It was the consensus of the board to agree with Mr. Smith. No further action was taken by the board.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus  
Genoa Township Clerk

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