

**GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
September 20, 2010
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, Robin Hunt, Todd Smith, Jean Ledford, Steve Wildman and Jim Mortensen. Also present were Mike Archinal, Township Manager and approximately four persons in the audience.

A call to the public was made with the following response:

Chuck Fellows introduces himself to the Board. He is the democratic candidate for the 22nd district Senate position. He is a non-incumbent and was a teacher. He distributes information about the Right Start program and a business card providing information on his webpage.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Ledford, Supported by Mortensen to approve the consent agenda with the correction of the date of the minutes for approval to 9-07-10 and a correction of typographical errors in the Municipal Vehicle Use Policy under Sanctions in Item 6. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Consent Agenda:

1. Payment of Bills
2. Request to approve minutes: 9-07-10
3. Request for approval of a Municipal Vehicle Use Policy.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Ledford, Supported by Hunt to approve for action all items listed under the regular agenda with a change to require separate motions for Special Land Use, Environmental Impact Assessment, and Site Plan for Item 4. **The motion carried unanimously.**

4. Request for approval of a special use application, environmental impact assessment, and site plan for a proposed 20,000 sq. ft. addition to a previously approved special use for warehousing of used batteries located at 5900 Brighton Pines Ct., Howell, Sec. 15, petitioned by Brivar Construction Company.

Moved by Smith, Supported by Wildman to approve the Special Land Use Permit for a 20,000 sq. ft. addition to a previously approved special use for warehousing of used batteries located at 5900 Brighton Pines Ct., Howell, Sec. 15, petitioned by Brivar Construction Company because

the special land use is consistent with Section 19.03 of the Township Ordinance. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Moved by Wildman, Supported by Smith to approve the Environmental Impact Assessment dated 9-14-10 and corresponding PIP Plan for a 20,000 sq. ft. addition for warehousing of used batteries located at 5900 Brighton Pines Ct., Howell, Sec. 15, petitioned by Brivar Construction Company. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Moved by Hunt, Supported by Smith to approve the Site Plan dated 9-15-10 for a 20,000 sq. ft. addition for warehousing of used batteries located at 5900 Brighton Pines Ct., Howell, Sec. 15, petitioned by Brivar Construction Company with the following conditions:

1. The existing outdoor storage, which is in violation of the Township Ordinance, will be removed.
2. The petitioner shall comply with the requirements of the Brighton Area Fire Department.

Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence:

Mr. McCririe reviews the status of the Lalewicz lawsuit and commends our counsel and Adam VanTassell for a job well done.

Mr. Archinal reviews his letter regarding the panhandle easement.

Mr. Wildman questions weekly rentals on lakefront property. It is very difficult to live in area where every night is a party night. He questions if our ordinance should address this. Mr. McCririe states it is a noise and nuisance issue. This is an enforcement issue not an ordinance issue.

Mr. Mortensen asks about amending the ordinance to look at possibly being more flexible for home based businesses. He also questions the previous Brighton Athletic Center building and asks if government is standing in the way of people being able to develop it. He feels government needs to be easier to work with. Mr. McCririe requests that Ms. VanMarter look into possible changes to the home occupation ordinance to help encourage startup businesses.

Jean Ledford updated the Board on her last SELCRA meeting.

Mr. Archinal updates the Board on the idea of leasing the Fire Halls to the Fire Department. He is working with the Department and they are moving forward on the lease concept.

The regular meeting of the Board was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Submitted by:

Kelly VanMarter
Recording Secretary