

GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP ELECTION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

January 18th, 2011 (Tuesday)

MINUTES

Clerk Skolarus called the regular meeting of the Election Commission to order at 6:25 p.m. at the Genoa Charter Township Hall. The following members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Paulette Skolarus, Jean Ledford and Steve Wildman. Also present were township board members: Gary McCririe, Robin Hunt, Jim Mortensen and Todd Smith. In addition were Township Manager Michael Archinal, Township DPW Director Greg Tatara, Deputy Director Dave Miller and approximately 12 persons in the audience.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Ledford, supported by Wildman, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Discussion of an addendum to the initial report allowing the Clerk to execute an agreement with Hartland Consolidated School District, Brighton Area Schools, Howell Public Schools, Pinckney Community Schools and Livingston Educational Service Agency that would allow Skolarus to conduct elections for the individual school districts for the years 2011 and 2012.

A. Recommendation to the Township Board

Moved by Ledford, supported by Wildman, to recommend to the township board approval of the agreements allowing the Clerk to conduct elections on behalf of our local school districts. The motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting of the Election Commission was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

**GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
January 18, 2011**

MINUTES

Supervisor McCririe called the regular meeting and public hearing of the board to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was then said. All persons listed above remained for the regular meeting of the board.

A Call to the Public was made with no response.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Wildman, to approve all items listed under the consent agenda as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills

2. Request to approve minutes: 1-3-11

3. Request for approval to enter into an agreement with Hartland Consolidated Schools, Brighton Area Schools, Howell Public Schools, Pinckney Community Schools and Livingston Educational Service Agency to allow the Clerk to conduct elections for the individual school districts for the years 2011 and 2012.

4. Request for approval of Michigan Township Associations Annual Conference budget as submitted by the Township Supervisor.

5. Request for approval of an extension to the agreement with the LSL Planning, Inc. for professional services.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Ledford, to approve for action items 9 thru 12, and tabling items 6 thru 8 until the February meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Request for approval of an ordinance to designate Genoa Charter Township as an enforcing agency for the Michigan Construction Code Request for approval of Building Ordinance.

7. Resolution approving the fiscal year 2011-2012 Building Department Fee Schedule.

8. Request to set the number of Construction Board of Appeals at 3 per the Stille-DeRossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act, 1972 P.S. 230, M.C.L. 125.1514 et seq.

9. Request for approval to consider an Industrial Facilities Exemption request from CRW Plastics for property located at 5775 Brighton Pines Court.

Fred Dillingham addressed the board on behalf of CRW Plastics. Dillingham – CRW Plastics has made a 1.7 million dollar investment in their Genoa Township facility. They have hired an additional 58 employees and have another 20 temporary employees. They are asking for 12-year tax abatement.

A call to the public was made with no response. Moved by Skolarus, supported by Smith, to approve the 12-year 50% abatement as requested by CRW. The motion carried by roll call vote as follow: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None. Absent – None.

10. Discussion regarding a weed control special assessment district for East and West Crooked Lakes.

It was the consensus of the board to go forward with a special assessment district (initiated by the township) for East and West Crooked Lakes for weed control. The first resolution will be brought before the board in February.

11. Request for approval to expand the Township Utility Department to include the addition of sewer and water operational staff with a start date of April 10, 2011.

Greg Tatara addressed the board requesting the expansion of the Utility Department to include the employment of sewer and water operations specialists. This approval would improve operational knowledge, reliability, asset management and service to our customers. This action will commence with the expiration of the contract with Severn Trent Services on April 10, 2011. A draft budget and estimate of savings over the next five years was included in the presentation.

Moved by Wildman, supported by Smith, to expand the Township utility Department to include the addition of sewer and water operational staff with a start date of April 10, 2011. This action is subject to the execution of legal documents between the Township and Utility Districts. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Consider first reading of an ordinance to create the Genoa Charter Township Planning Commission for compliance with P.A. 33 of 2008, as amended being the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, M.C.L. 125.3801.

Moved by Smith, supported by Wildman, to introduce the first reading of an ordinance to create the Genoa Charter Township Planning Commission and to set the date for consideration for adoption on February 7, 2011. (Note: Resolution 71-2, creating the Planning Commission, was first approved on Feb. 12, 1971.) The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – none. Absent – None.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Charter Township Clerk

(01/21/2011)