

**Genoa Charter Township Election Commission**

Special Meeting

July 7, 2014

**MINUTES**

Clerk Skolarus called the special meeting of the Election Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Genoa Charter Township Hall. The following members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Paulette Skolarus and Jean Ledford. Also present were: Supervisor Gary McCririe; Treasurer Robin Hunt; and Trustees Jean Ledford, Linda Rowell and Jim Mortensen and Manager Michael Archinal. In addition there were 11 persons in the audience.

1. Request for a recommendation to the township board for persons scheduled to work the August 5, 2014 Primary Election.

Moved by Ledford and supported by Skolarus to recommend to the township board all persons scheduled to work the August Primary Election. The motion carried.

The special meeting of the Election Commission was adjourned.

**GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD**

Regular Meeting

July 7, 2014

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Supervisor McCririe called the regular meeting of the board to order and 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 the following response: Kate Foss – People are parking on my lake front from 10:00 a.m. until night. The noise is deafening and the boaters are adversarial and intimidating because they are drinking. McCririe – The County Sheriff has a marine division and I will call them and meet with you.

John Wojtyz – I live on Pine Trace Ct. Does the township have a sound ordinance and how is it managed? I contacted the County Sheriff and they said, “If it’s Genoa we don’t handle it.” Red Oaks is a problem. They are shooting rockets last night until 1:00 a.m. This starts Memorial Day and continues all summer. McCririe – The Township does not have an independent police department. I will talk to the Sheriff about this problem. The state legislature took local control of fireworks out of our hands and placed it with the state.

Leo Nicholas – There will be a new force main along Chilson Road. Will that main service anyone other than Oak Pointe? McCririe – No, only North Shore and Oak Pointe because they

are paying for the expansion. Nicholas – Could the pipe be oversized for the future? McCrie – We will invite Dr. Tatara, Tesha Humphriss and Gary Markstrom to the next meeting (tentatively scheduled for July 21, 2014) to answer any questions or concerns.

Jim Delcamp – The Crooked Lake improvement includes tree removal. Please suggest to the Livingston County Road Commission that they leave the trees alone. McCrie – Roads are the responsibility of the L.C.R.C. Tree removal is related to drainage. We should not dictate to the Road Commission. Delcamp – Please fund SELCRA. They are a very efficient organization. I would like to see the use of cold tar discontinued.

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

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Ledford to approve items 1 and 2 under the consent agenda and move the SPARK contribution to the regular agenda for discussion. The motion carried.

#### **1. Payment of Bills.**

#### **2. Request to Approve Minutes: June 16, 2014**

### **Approval of Regular Agenda:**

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Skolarus to approve all items under the regular agenda with the addition of the recommendation from the Election Commission for approval of poll workers for the August 5, 2014 Primary Election. The motion carried.

#### **3. Request for approval of the annual \$20,000 Livingston County Economic Development Council/SPARK contribution.**

Quarterly SPARK newsletters will be provided to all board members. Moved by Ledford and supported by Mortensen to approve the annual contribution as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **4. Request for approval of a modification of connection fees for the MHOG Water District and the GO Sanitary Sewer District as recommended by Township Engineer Tesha Humphriss and Tetra Tech.**

Moved by Ledford and supported by Rowell to table until all persons involved with this modification can be present to answer questions and concerns. (Tentatively scheduled for July 21, 2014). The motion carried unanimously.

#### **5. Request for approval of an agreement with the Livingston County Road Commission for limestone improvements on Crooked Lake Road in the amount of \$200,000.**

Hunt and Rowell expressed concern for the removal of trees and asked that the L.C.R.C. limit the impact on homeowners. Moved by Mortensen and supported by Hunt to approve the execution

of the contract with the Road Commission with the Archinal approving the bid specifications and encouraging a limitation of tree removal. The motion carried as follows: Ayes, McCririe, Hunt, Skolarus, Mortensen and Ledford. Nay – Rowell.

**6. Discussion and possible action regarding correspondence from SELCRA relative to participation rate changes.**

Moved by Hunt and supported by Mortensen to approve the per participant rate change from \$23.00 to \$27.00 contingent upon all other municipalities approving the change. The motion carried unanimously.

**7. Request for approval of a recommendation from the Election Commission related to the appointment of poll workers for the August 5, 2014 Primary Election.**

Moved by Hunt and supported by Rowell to approve the recommendation as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

**Member Discussion:**

- Work will commence next week on the sidewalk to be constructed along the north side of Grand River from Latson Road to Sunrise Park.
- The traffic flow from Hampton Ridge has improved with the new traffic lights at Latson Road and Grand River. The addition of a new traffic light is continuing to be studied.
- Correspondence was received from Pine Creek concerning the privatization of the roads within Pine Creek. This issue was raised more than a year ago. The board asked for and is still awaiting a traffic study, actual costs to residents, impact on other roads as a result of privatization, correspondence from the schools and fire departments, correspondence from the Livingston County Road Commission, etc. as to the impact of this request. Correspondence was received from Township Attorney Frank Mancuso on Feb 6, 2013 that provided an overview of the steps necessary to go forward with such a project.

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

Paulette A. Skolarus, Clerk  
Genoa Charter Township

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