

GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting
October 5, 2020

MINUTES

Supervisor Rogers called the Regular Meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Township Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Bill Rogers, Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Jean Ledford, Terry Croft, Jim Mortensen and Diana Lowe. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal and three persons in the audience.

Call to the Public was made with no response.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Lowe to approve all items listed under the Consent Agenda with the exception of the Payment of Bills, moving approval to the Regular Agenda for further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Request to Approve Minutes: Sept. 21, 2020

3. Request for approval of a contract award for the Oak Pointe Iron Removal Filter Valve Replacement Project to CSM Mechanical in the amount of \$185,950.00.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Lowe and supported by Mortensen to approve for action all items listed under the Regular Agenda with the addition of the Payment of Bills. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Lowe to approve the payment of bills with Archinal reviewing concerns that were raised regarding points on the charge cards and a payment to Quadient Finance and responding to the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Request to receive the audit report for the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2020 from Pfeffer, Hanniford and Palka.

Ken Palka thanked the board for their continued support and confidence in his involvement with the Township audit. Board members thanked him and praised his work and that of his staff.

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Skolarus to receive the Audit report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A. Request for approval of a resolution No. 201005 for the Genoa Grand River Road Debt Service Fund #870 Deficit Elimination Plan in the amount of \$43,675.00 as requested by Hunt.

Moved by Lowe and supported by Skolarus to approve Resolution No. 201005 as requested with payment from Fund 261 (Road Improvement) to 264 (Special Assessment Roads). The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Mortensen, Skolarus and Rogers. Nays – None.

5. Request for approval of rate changes for Lake Edgewood Water (\$4.28/1,000 gallons to \$5.81/1,000 gallons) and sewer (\$4.10/1,000 gallons to \$5.56/1,000 gallons.)

Moved by Hunt and supported by Croft to table until the next regular meeting of the board after clarification of the new rates are determined by the DPW Department. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Introduction and first reading of Ordinance Number Z-20-04; Article 16 Sign Ordinance Text Amendments and to set the public hearing and second reading for October 19, 2020.

Moved by Hunt and supported by Lowe to introduce and conduct the first reading on the proposed ordinance number Z-20-04 and to set the second reading, public hearing and consideration for adoption before the Township Board on Monday, Oct. 19, 2020 for the proposed zoning text amendment. Township Planner, Kelly VanMarter will review the draft with Township Attorney Joseph Seward. The motion carried as follows: Ayes – Rogers, Skolarus, Hunt, Ledford, Lowe and Mortensen. Nay – Croft.

7. Discussion regarding Capital Projects for the FY 2021-2022 as requested by the Township Manager.

Archinal - The purpose of this agenda item is to solicit projects from the Board, gauge interest on some projects staff has been exploring and discuss funding/grant opportunities to address community needs. The board was asked to review all the items included in the board packet and rate them as to importance. Projects will be reviewed for both this fiscal year and the next fiscal year. No action was taken by the board.

Correspondence:

Skolarus submitted a grant application related to Covid 19 and a Township budget related to the cost of both the Primary and General Election. If the application is approved poll workers and temporary employees for their work would receive an additional stipend.

Member Discussion:

Ledford attended the Eagle Scout invitation thanking the Township for their support of their project with regard to the installation of benches on the Township Soccer fields.

Croft noted that Amy O’Leary will be the new director of SEMCOG

Rogers noted that the Michigan Supreme Court overturned the Governor’s Executive Order related to Covid 19 and then the order was re-enacted by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Ledford to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board at 7:40 P.M.

Paulette A. Skolarus, Clerk
Genoa Charter Township Board