

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

April 11, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Coloma Charter Township Hall, Coloma, Michigan. Present for the Township: Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin, Clerk Sandy Kraemer, Treasurer Jim Fulton, Trustees Bryan Duffield, Rob Harper, Matt Moser, and Jerry Willmeng, Rob Harper, Matt Moser and Bryan Duffield..

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clerk Sandy Kraemer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer James Fulton presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Fulton reported the finance committee met and approved the March expenses totaling \$415,743.66. Moved by Treasurer Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, to approve the consent agenda and March 14, 2018 meeting minutes. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miss & Mr. Coloma winners had to cancel and will attend the June meeting.

Chuck Haight, from Two Rivers Coalition and Friends of the River, was here to do a presentation but was unable to get his projector to work so he did a verbal presentation. He stated the Paw Paw River Water Trail is a 68-mile canoe/kayak trail from Paw Paw, Michigan to the St. Joseph River in Benton Harbor that is being cleared of debris. At the start of the project they had secured \$100,000.00 from the State but that money is running out and now the question is how we continue to fund the project. He stated this is a \$20,000,000.00 a year family fun.

Trustee Bryan Duffield commented on how different the river changes every day. Mr. Haight said he would come back after he gets the projector to work.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Sandy Kraemer received a “Thank you” from the St. Patrick’s Day Evening Lighted Parade held on Saturday March 17, 2018. The winner of the Window display was Chemical Bank. There was 5k run in the morning with about 150 runners. There were other fun things going on throughout the day.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Sandy Kraemer reported there will be a ribbon cutting, sponsored by the Coloma/Watervliet Chamber of Commerce, on Friday the 13th at 10:00am, for the opening of Casey’s, in Watervliet. Everyone is welcome to attend

Trustee Bryan Duffield inform everyone the Bids on the Road Commission have been submitted and after approval we are ready to begin 2018 projects.

Police Chief Jason Roe reported there were 243 complaints for investigated for the month of March, 2018. 22 Obstructing Justice, 3 larcenies, and 17 suspicious situations. He stated there were 46 arrests, 149 traffic stops, 30 citations issued, 169 traffic warnings, and 95 property checks. He then answered questions. Supervisor Parring asked him if the new police car was in and he stated it was.

Rob Harper reported there were 12 fire calls in March. Stan Rice, from Luecke Rice Insurance Company, was present to discuss Insurance for North Berrien Fire Rescue. After his presentation the Board decided to go with Plan 5. This will be a 3-year policy and cover every employee plus the auxiliary and any volunteers. The plan will take effect Maar5ch 7, 2018. The Indian Lake volunteer has offered NBFR \$10,000.00 for all their dive gear. The Board agreed to do this. Money from this sale will go to replace the surface cold water rescue equipment.

Rory Bell, Maintenance/Sanitation Supervisor, presented the Sanitation report which had 876 service calls for Miss Diggs. Serviced and checked all 16 generators, and raised or lowered 10 manholes that were requested by Berrien County Road Commission. Working with Insurance Company to see if they will cover emergency costs due to flooding.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Treasurer Jim Fulton stated the Township is planning to pay \$8,000.00 monthly on the MERS retirement. This is over and above the regular payment.

Trustee Matt Moser, Chairman of Parks and Recreation, informed everyone they had a meeting with the Dog Park people and the Baseball/Softball people and it went well.

NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer informed everyone the Township has received a billing for payment #2 on the Lift Station #9 project and is asking for approval to pay that bill of \$33,662.42. Trustee Matt Moser, seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve payment #2 on Lift Station #9 project in the amount of \$33,662.42. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes. ALL AYES MOTION CARRIED

Clerk Kraemer stated the Board needs to approve the 2018/19 #3 Investment Policy Resolution. Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Rob Harper, made a motion to approve the 2018/19 #3 Investment Policy Resolution. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes. ALL AYES MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Kraemer presented the 2018/19 #4 Depository Policy Resolution for approval. Treasurer Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, made a motion to approve the 2018/19 #4 Depository Policy Resolution. ROLL CALL VOTE: Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes. ALL AYES MOTION CARRIED

Clerk Kraemer reported the Township Board needs to approve the 2018/19 #5 Coloma Charter Township Attorneys, Auditors, Engineers, Legal Publishers, Banks and Planners. Trustee Rob Harper, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, made a motion to approve the 2018/19 #5 Coloma Charter Township Attorneys, Auditors, Engineers, Legal Publishers, Banks and Planners. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes, Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes, Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes. ALL AYES MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS CON'T

Clerk Kraemer stated in their packets there was an updated Coloma Charter Township Guide to Boards, Commissions, Committees, Authorized Contractors-Officials and Key Employee Positions, as of March 31, 2018. After discussion and a few changes were made Trustee Rob Harper, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield, made a motion to approve the Coloma Charter Township Guide to Boards, Commissions, Committees, Authorized Contractors-Officials and Key Employee Positions, as of March 31, 2018. ROLL CALL VOTE: Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes.

Clerk Kraemer stated a list of Election Inspectors were in the Board members packets and the list needed to be approved for the May 8, 2018 School millage election. Trustee Matt Moser, seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve the Election Inspectors for the May 8, 2018 School millage election. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Berrien County Commissioner, Dave Vollrath, reported the body of a Kayaker was found last week in the Paw Paw River in Watervliet. He stated he would like to give a big "Thank you" to the Watervliet Fire Department for their dedication in finding the body. He announced he is running for Berrien County Commissioner again. Mikki Swisher announced there will be a grand opening at Casey's in Watervliet at 10:00am on April 20, 2018.

Tony Bertuca had a question on the MERS retirement plan, is anything being done this? Treasurer Jim Fulton stated the MERS committee is still working with the MERS retirement representatives.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved

