

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
January 14, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 pm at the Coloma Charter Township Hall, Coloma, Michigan. Present for the Township: Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin, Clerk Sandy Kraemer, Treasurer Lance Becht, Trustees Jim Fulton, Bryan Duffield, and Rob Harper, and Matt Moser.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Randy Pompey.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Lance Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved the December expenses totaling \$211,426.30. Moved by Treasurer Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, to approve the consent agenda and December Regular meeting Board minutes. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes. ALL AYES. APPROVED.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Parrigin questioned a billing for diesel fuel for the Township Water Tower, from the City of Coloma. He asked Coloma City Mayor Jim Polashak if he would research it. Supervisor Parrigin didn't know why the Township received this bill.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Kraemer reported a new part-time employee has been hired to work with Rory Bell in the Sanitation/Maintenance Department. His name is Josh Allen.

COMMITTEE REPORTS CON'T

Chana Kniebes, from North Berrien Community Development, stated the Annual Business Recognition award banquet went well with a great attendance. Now she is working with the St. Patrick's night parade committee. The parade will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2015, starting at 8:00pm.

Supervisor Parrigin will call and set up a meeting to decide which roads will be repaired in the Spring and Summer.

Trustee Jim Fulton reported the planning commission is waiting for demographics from Williams and Works.

Treasurer Lance Becht reported Coloma Township was the largest user of total flow this month and the total flow was down this month to 22 million. It is usually around 26 to 28 million. Total financial reserve is \$723,102.00. The SAW grant work is proceeding. The plant is in compliance.

Chief of Police, Randy Pompey, stated there were 195 complaints investigated in December, 11 arrests, 28 traffic citations, and 209 Business property checks. The Chief reported of the 4 CSC cases 2 arrests were made.

Trustee Rob Harper stated the North Berrien Fire & Rescue responded to 16 fires in the month of December. Fire Chief Ruff reported the public education program proved to be a great success this year as the results they delivered 29 smoke detectors to homes that had none. The prime gear inspections have been completed and are now working on backup gear. At a special meeting on December 5, 2014 the Board voted to work with Kenley Pennar, from Plante & Moran, on an independent audit for the North Berrien Fire Board with expenses not to exceed \$2,000.00. Planet & Moran reviewed the banking and payroll activity for the past 36 months and found some financial irregularities so at the special meeting on December 15, 2014 they approved Plante & Moran to do a forensic audit, file a claim with the Insurance Company, and contact the Michigan State Police

Trustee Bryan Duffield reported the paperwork for Michael Roberts to be a full-time employee of Coloma Charter Township is completed and the Cemetery Board is working on their 2015 budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Parrigin informed everyone he is getting bids on the costs to take down the Washington school building if the Township decides to purchase it from Coloma Community Schools. The school has drafted a contract for the purchase and it is at our Attorney for review.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Treasurer Lance Becht, to adjourn the meeting at 7:31pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____