

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
July 14, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin called the regular meeting to order at 7:04 pm at the Coloma Charter Township Hall, Coloma, Michigan. Present for the Township: Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin, Clerk Sandy Kraemer, Treasurer Lance Becht, Trustees Cynthia Aviles, Bryan Duffield, Jim Fulton, and Jeff Mitchell. Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clerk Kraemer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved June expenses totaling \$195,611.82. Moved by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to approve the consent agenda and finance report. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Futon, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. APPROVED

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Aviles informed everyone of the upcoming golf outing which is a major fund raiser for the North Berrien Community Development. This year it will be held on Friday, September 17, 2010 at the Paw Paw Lake Golf Club. She encouraged everyone to participate.

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Chief Pompey presented the June Police Report and reviewed some of the activities. He stated our Police department will again have a temporary station set up in downtown Coloma during the Glad-Peach Festival and on Friday, of the Festival, there will be volunteers from the FBI Violent Task Force/Benton Harbor unit to work with our police department. He reported the "Comet Car" won 3rd place in a nationwide "Squad Car Design Contest" and will be featured in next month's Law and Order Magazine.

Supervisor Parrigin reported there will be repair work done on some of the side roads but no major roads are being repaired or upgraded this year.

Treasurer Becht reported the Sewer Board approved replacing a roof and also put bids out for updating the sewer plant. Audit report revealed a decrease in revenue from last year.

Trustee Mitchell reported the Fire Department received a grant to advertise for recruits for the North Berrien Fire Department. The Chief just finished working on a Strategic plan for the department. Trustee Mitchell stated they want to create a citizen action committee regarding the new fire truck they would like to purchase. He also stated the bids for the new fire truck went to approximately 17 manufactures and they have received some of the bids back.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Engineer George Granger presented pay estimate # 28, in the amount of \$5,385.00, payable to Balkema Excavating, Inc., for final completion June 30, 2010. Trustee Fulton, seconded by Trustee Becht, made a motion to pay estimate #28, in the amount of \$5,385.00, payable to Balkema Excavating, Inc. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer George Granger presented pay estimate #20, in the amount of \$7,937.07, payable to Scott W. Taylor Excavating, Inc., for work in May and June, 2010. Trustee Mitchell, seconded by Trustee Futon, made a motion to pay estimate #20, in the amount of \$7,937.07, payable to Scott W. Taylor Excavating, Inc. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Kraemer asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance # 101-New Commercial Ag District. Trustee Fulton, seconded by Clerk Kraemer, asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance # 101-New Commercial Ag District. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. NO NAYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Parrigin stated there would be a closed session meeting at the end of this regular meeting for personnel discussion of the Building and Electrical contracts.

Supervisor Parrigin informed the Board that road funds can be used to upgrade the road portion of the Weatherly/Morning-Aire sewer project. The Township's part, to fund the project, would be \$93,000.00. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to go forward with this project due to the fact the property owners have been trying to get this project completed for the last 10 to 12 years but due to miscommunications and misunderstandings it has continued until now. The Board wants it clearly understood this decision is "an exception to the rule" made because of the longevity and complexity of the project. Trustee Aviles suggested a resolution be written stipulating the Board will no longer make any exceptions going forward. A motion was made by Trustee Aviles, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to complete the Weatherly/Morning-Aire sewer project. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, no; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes. 6 AYES. 1 NAY. MOTION CARRIED.

The next step in the process of the Weatherly/Morning-Aire sewer project will to schedule a Public Hearing and prepare a public notice to the special assessment district #10-01. Trustee Aviles made a motion, seconded by Trustee Duffield, to approve scheduling a Public Hearing and preparing a public notice to the special assessment district #10-01. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes, Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, no. 6 AYES. 1 NAY. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance #102- Pawnbrokers, Second Hand Dealers & Junk Dealers, was given to the Board for review. The ordinance was tabled due to questions on some of the wording in the ordinance. Trustee Aviles, Trustee Duffield, and Trustee Fulton will review the ordinance, clarify the wording, and then bring it back before the Board.

Clerk Kraemer asked for an approval of Resolution #2010/11-04 pertaining to Emergency Preparedness developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan that will satisfy the

requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and 44CFR 201.6. After discussion Clerk Kraemer made a motion, seconded by Trustee Fulton, to approve Resolution #2010/11-04. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Kraemer asked for approval of the list of election workers for the August 3, 2010 Primary Election. After review Clerk Kraemer made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to approve the list of election workers for the August 3, 2010 Primary Election. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

Charles Abrams, a long time member of the Planning Commission, term expired. Supervisor Parrigin stated the Township appreciated his willingness to serve the many years he served. Clerk Kraemer asked for a motion to appoint Jerry Willmeng to replace Mr. Abrams on the Planning Commission. Trustee Aviles made a motion, seconded by Trustee Duffield, to appoint Jerry Willmeng to replace Charles Abrams on the Planning Commission. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Parrigin stated it would cost \$93,133.00 to rebuild a section of North Coloma Road, from Little Paw Paw Lake Road to Hagar Shore Road next year. He asked the Board to authorize him to work with the County to get the project completed. Trustee Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Trustee Duffield, to authorize Supervisor Parrigin to work with the County to rebuild North Coloma Road next year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mark Armstrong stated he felt the entire township should pay for the special assessment to clean up Paw Paw Lake, if it comes to a vote. He stated it should not be just the property owners around the lake. He stated the lake benefits everyone and felt everyone should pay for the special assessment to clean it up.

Rick Rasmussen thanked the Paw Paw Lake Association and the Paw Paw Lake Foundation for giving \$10,000.00 to help fund the special assessment to clean up Paw Paw Lake. \$5,000.00 to Coloma Township and \$5,000.00 to Watervliet Township.

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At 8:31 pm Trustee Fulton made a motion, seconded by Trustee Aviles, to go into closed session for a personnel matter regarding the Building Inspector and the Electrical Inspector. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

At 9:27 pm Trustee Aviles made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mitchell to go into open session. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Aviles, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to adjourn the meeting at 9:29pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____