

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
July 9, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 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, Matt Moser, Bryan Duffield, and Rob Harper.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Matt Moser.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Lance Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved the June expenses totaling \$169,341.66. Moved by Treasurer Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, to approve the consent agenda and June Board minutes. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser yes; Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes; Harper, yes. ALL AYES. APPROVED.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Pompey presented “lifesaver awards” to several of his officers and two citizens which was related to life-threatening situations. Lt. Jason Roe, Officer Matt Walls, and Reserve officer Todd Bohle responded to a call of a man having a heart attack. Through their actions, which included using an automated external defibrillator and giving cardiopulmonary resuscitation, the man survived and has made a full recovery.

The other “lifesaver awards” were for an incident which occurred at a swimming pool party. A girl, 7years old, was spotted at the bottom of a swimming pool and Fisher Spessard, 11 years old, saw her and retrieved her from the pool. Sarah Brookshire assisted the victim by giving her CPR. The young girl has made a full recovery.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Kraemer read a thank you from the BBQ, Blues, and Cruise festival thanking the township for their support.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Kraemer gave each Board member a copy of the Assessor's contract and the Board decided to table the discussion until next month when everyone has had a chance to read it.

Chana Kniebes, from North Berrien Community Development, announced the annual Community Golf outing will be held Friday, September 12, 2014. She invited any golfers to sign up and come enjoy the day.

Supervisor Parrigin reported the roads which are done look good.

Trustee Jim Fulton stated the Planning Commission, as ordered by Judge Dewane, will make a decision as to whether Berrien County, in Coloma Township qualifies as a gun range.

Treasurer Lance Becht reported the Paw Paw Lake Area Wastewater Plant approved bills totaling \$61,949.79. They are reviewing the SAW grant to prioritize as follows: Capital Improvement Plan, TV inspections of lines, and rate study. At the next meeting Gerbel & Company will go over the Audit. The plant is also installing two new recirculation pumps. The Plant is in compliance.

Chief Randy Pompey reported the Police Department investigated 324 complaints, 496 business property checks, 32 arrests, 7 felony arrest, and 25 misdemeanor arrests. He stated the police department is down 1 officer and he is accepting applications and resumes at this time.

Trustee Rob Harper stated the North Berrien Fire Rescue Department responded to 20 fire runs in June. They received a letter from Bainbridge Township stating they will be terminating the agreement with North Berrien Fire Rescue as of June 30, 2014. They decided to have Watervliet Fire Department for the northwest quadrant of Bainbridge Township.

Trustee Bryan Duffield informed the Board they have found a person to replace the member that moved. He asked the Board to approve Apryl Watson as the new member.

COMMITTEE REPORTS CON'T

Trustee Duffield made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, to appoint Apryl Watson to the Cemetery Board. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes, Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer asked the Board to adopt amended Ordinance #86 – Rental Registration Inspection. Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield, made a motion to adopt amended Ordinance #86 – Rental Registration Inspection. ROLL CALL VOTE: Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. ALL AYES. NO NAYES.

NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer requested an approval for the Board of Election Commission which is Trustee Matt Moser, Trustee Jim Fulton, and Clerk Sandy Kraemer. Treasurer Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve the Board of Election Commission which is Trustee Matt Moser, Trustee Jim Fulton, and Clerk Sandy Kraemer. ROLL CALL VOTE: Harper, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes. ALL AYES. NO NAYES.

Clerk Kraemer asked for approval of Resolution #2014-15 # 4 –Election Commission. Resolution to delegate Election Commission duties to the Clerk's Office. Trustee Matt Moser, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve Resolution #2014/15 #4 – Election Commission. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes. ALL AYES. NO NAYES.

Clerk Kraemer asked for approval of Election Inspectors and Receiving Boards for the August 5, 2014 Primary Election. Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, made a motion to approve the Election Inspectors and Receiving Boards for the August 5, 2014 Primary Election. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes. ALL AYES. NO NAYES.

Supervisor Ken Parrigin advised the Police Committee, which are Board members Bryan Duffield and Matt Moser that negotiations will start soon with the Police Union Department. He stated they will receive information soon.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mario Palmisano, Buchanan Township, asked if anything had been decided concerning Deer Forest. Supervisor Parrigin stated the entire Board visited Deer Forest unannounced. It was closed that day due to wet weather but Supervisor Parrigin was able to find a maintenance man to show the Board around the Park and explain some things that were happening in updating the park. Mr. Palmisano stated he was more interested in the grandfathering clause to see if there were any decisions made. Trustee Jim Fulton informed Mr. Palmisano there were no decisions made at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____