

**COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 10, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin called the regular 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 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 bills totaling \$270,625.83. Moved by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Mitchell to approve the consent agenda and finance report. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes. APPROVED

**PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rick Rasmussen from the Paw Paw Lake Advisory Committee updated the Board regarding the committee's discussions and decisions. He asked for an approval from the Coloma Township Board to fund a portion of an aquatic vegetation survey of Paw Paw Lake which is a total cost of \$4,000.00. He stated Watervliet Township had already approved to pay \$2,000.00 toward the survey and if Coloma Township would pay the other \$2,000.00 the survey could be completed. After discussion Clerk Kraemer asked for a motion for Coloma Township to pay \$2,000.00 to have the aquatic vegetation survey done. Trustee Duffield made the motion, seconded by Trustee Mitchell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes. NAYES-0. MOTION CARRIED.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Clerk Kraemer stated a letter was received from the Coloma Emergency Medical Services inviting all Board members to attend their Semi-Annual meeting on June 18<sup>th</sup> at their location on Mountain Road.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Aviles informed the Board she and Supervisor Parrigin are working with Atty. Keith Brody to set a date for a work shop for the entire Board to review a personnel package. The possible dates would be June 25<sup>th</sup> or July 1<sup>st</sup>. Supervisor Parrigin will contact Atty. Brody to confirm a date.

Trustee Aviles reported the golf outing held by the North Berrien Community Development on June 5<sup>th</sup> went very well and weather cooperated. She stated new officers have been elected to their Board. Jim Polashak is the new chairman, Cindy Aviles is the new Vice-Chairman, Robin Mileski is Secretary, and Barb Schoefield is the Treasurer.

Trustee Fulton reported the Planning Commission is in the process of drafting a Master Plan, with the assistance of Williams & Works, and it should be ready soon. They will also review ordinances and make updates if needed.

Police Chief Randy Pompey presented the Police report and reviewed some of the incidents which occurred. He has instituted a new "Officer of the Month" to recognize his officers for their outstanding work. The first officer to be recognized was Rory Bell. Chief Pompey also announced the promotion of Jason Roe to Lieutenant in his department. He stated Jason has written several grants for the department and is well deserving of this position. Chief Pompey informed the Board that \$30,000.00 was designated in 2008 to be used for Digital video equipment for the Police cars which was never spent. He stated Lieutenant Roe will doing a presentation this evening showing Digital video equipment the department would like to purchase for \$39,000.00. He stated there was more than \$10,000.00 saved from wages and salary due to a retirement from his department along with the \$30,000.00 not spent from 2008 would pay for the new equipment the department would like to purchase with Board approval.

Treasurer Becht reported the Sewer Board has purchased a lift-truck to travel inside the sewer plant. He stated the audit report should be ready next month.

Trustee Mitchell stated so far they have received 16 applicants for the Fire Chief position. They will start interviews and hope to narrow it down to five finalists. The "Fire Run Billing Ordinance" was tabled for this month.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Engineer George Granger presented pay estimate #16 from Scott W. Taylor Excavating, Inc., in the amount of \$25,366.76, for water service connections for the month of May, 2009. Motion by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to approve pay estimate # 16 from Scott W. Taylor Excavating, Inc in the amount of \$25,366.76. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes. NAYES – 0. MOTION CARRIED

Engineer George Granger presented pay estimate #12 from Maguire Iron, Inc., in the amount of \$22,781.39, for work from February through May, 2009. Motion by Trustee Aviles, seconded by Clerk Kraemer, to approve pay estimate #12 from Maguire Iron, Inc., in the amount of \$22,781.39. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. NAYES-0. MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer George Granger presented pay estimate #11 from, Maurer & Parks Well Drilling, in the amount of \$7,245.00, for work from November, 2008 through May 31, 2009. Motion by Trustee Duffield, seconded by Trustee Fulton, to approve pay estimate #11 from Maurer & Parks Well Drilling in the amount of \$7,245.00 ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes. NAYES-0. MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer George Granger presented pay estimate #23 from Balkema Excavating, Inc., in the amount of \$13,157.68 and \$1,960.00 for work in May, 2009. Motion by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Duffield, to approve pay estimate # 23 from Balkema Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$13,157.68 and \$1,960.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes. NAYES-0. MOTION CALLED.

## NEW BUSINESS

Lieutenant Jason Roe presented a video showing how useful and efficient the Digital equipment would be if the department could purchase it. After discussion Trustee Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Trustee Duffield approving the Police department purchase this equipment. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes. NAYES-0. MOTION CALLED.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

City Commissioner Marsha Hammond commented the Water Project between the City of Coloma and Coloma Township is a “work in process”. She stated everyone is still in the learning process and if residents have any questions please call and they will be happy to answer them. Supervisor Paragon stated the working relationship between the City and Township is good.

Moved by Trustee Aviles, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, the meeting adjourned at 8:58pm..

Respectfully Submitted,

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Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

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Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_