

**COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
May 13, 2015

**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, Bryan Duffield, Rob Harper, and Matt Moser.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lt. Jason Roe

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Treasurer Lance Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved the April expenses totaling \$375,238.56 Moved by Treasurer Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, to approve the consent agenda and April regular meeting Board minutes. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes. ALL AYES. APPROVED.

**PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Chana Kniebes, from the North Berrien Community Development, invited everyone to the upcoming BBQ, Blues, and Cruise on June 13, 2015. The music will begin at 3:30pm and go until 10:00pm. There will be a Smoke Showin', Lip Smackin', Finger Lickin' backyard BBQ Chicken Wing Contest also. Call the NBCD office at 468-4430, if you are interested in entering the contest.

Supervisor Ken Parrigin stated the Road Committee is still waiting for the final report from the Berrien County Road Commission for 2015 road repairs. They should have it for the next Board meeting.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT CON'T

Trustee Jim Fulton reported the updated revision of the Master Plan has been completed and will give each of the Board members a copy to look over and they will vote on it at next month's meeting. The Planning Commission reviewed the request from Patriot Fireworks to have the same setup they were approved for last year with a Special Land Use Permit on Friday Road. The Board reviewed the paperwork submitted which was the same as 2014 and they are fine with the fireworks stand being there again this year. They did ask Cheryl to contact Chief Pompey to make sure the police had no issues with the fireworks stand.

Treasurer Lance Becht reported on the Paw Paw Lake Area Wastewater Plant Summary for March, 2015. He stated total flow for the month was 30,936,000 gallons with Coloma Township at 32%, Watervliet Township at 30%, Watervliet City at 27%, and Coloma City at 11%. The Sewer Board accepted the bid of \$462,400.00 for rebuild of East Primary Clarifier. Bid will be paid from the plant reserve which has a balance of \$834,235.00. The average flows for 2014 were 830,000 gallons per day, slightly less than the budget estimate of 840,000 gallons per day. Plant is in compliance.

Lt. Jason Roe submitted the April, 2015 police report. He stated there were 9 Larcenies, 6 Breaking and Entering, 29 Arrests, 33 Citations issued, 185 Traffic stops, and 164 Traffic warnings. 165 Business Property checks and 16 Ordinance investigations. He stated Ordinance Officer Rory Bell has done a good job and property owners have cooperated in getting most of these investigations resolved. Clerk Kraemer thanked Lt. Roe for the revisions and changes he made to the Township's FOIA policy as it is due to go into effect July 1, 2015. Each Board member was given a copy to review and then vote on it at the June Board meeting. Supervisor Ken Parrigin informed the Board Chief Pompey has made a recommendation to assume the Chief's duties after his retirement on June 13, 2015. Supervisor Parrigin asked the Board members to read the recommendation and they will vote on it next month.

Trustee Rob Harper informed the Board that Firefighter Mike Bussing earned the privilege to wear the Black helmet which signifies hundreds of hours in the classroom and on the fire ground, learning the profession over the past year. These helmets are not given. They are EARNED. Congratulations to Firefighter Mike Bussing. The Fire Board is still waiting for the specs on the new rescue truck from Spencers, they should be received by the next meeting. There were 22 fire runs in April. The revision on the Air Line quotes will include one air dryer and auto drain. The Fire Chief recommends the Board to go with Town & Country Plumbing at a cost of \$2,950.00. The fire truck which was damaged, in February, while assisting on the I-94 pile up is now back in service.

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Trustee Bryan Duffield stated the Auditors have completed the Cemetery audit and all looks good, they should have the report completed by the next meeting. Also the Board is looking for some part-time summer help about 20 hours a week. Trustee Duffield has two possible workers in mind and will report back to the Board at May's meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Treasurer Lance Becht, made a motion to accept the final reading of Ordinance #107-Tuscany Hills conditional zoning request, and adopt the ordinance. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes. ALL AYES MOTION CARRIED

Clerk Kraemer informed everyone Pride Care Ambulance is having a semiannual special Spring Municipality meeting on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 6:00pm at 6001 Mountain Road, in Coloma.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tony Bertuca asked what the status of Washington school was and Supervisor Parrigin stated some of the Board members met with the Board Attorney earlier and they are working on the contract wording.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, to adjourn the meeting at 7:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

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Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

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

