

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
November 14, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

Clerk Debra Olsen called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Coloma Charter Township Hall, Coloma, Michigan. Present for the Township: Clerk Debra Olsen, Treasurer Lance Becht, Trustees Edward Helbling, Cynthia Aviles and Robert Molter. Absent Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin and Trustee Brian Duffield.

Moved by Clerk Olsen, seconded by Trustee Molter to appoint Trustee Aviles president pro tem in Supervisor Parrigin's absence. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. ABSENT – 2. MOTION CARRIED. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Aviles.

Trustee Aviles congratulated Mayor Polashak on his new position as the City of Coloma Mayor. She also congratulated the other council members on their elections.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee approved bills totaling \$244,981.50. Moved by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Molter to approve the consent agenda and finance report. ROLL CALL VOTE: Helbling, yes; Molter, yes; Becht, yes; Olsen, yes; Aviles, yes. ALL AYES. TWO ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chana Kniebes announced the North Berrien Community Development will not be collecting 4th quarter payments from municipalities.

Treasurer Becht announced the sewer board is reviewing the employee health insurance. They are also looking at a proposal for a generator for pumps at the sewer plant.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Engineer George Granger reported Balkema has resumed construction activity.

Engineer Granger presented pay estimate #5 from Scott Taylor Excavating, Inc. for water service connections for the month of October in the amount of \$70,719.58. Moved by Trustee Molter, seconded by Trustee Helbling to approve pay estimate #5 to Scott Taylor Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$70,719.58. ROLL CALL VOTE: Molter, yes; Becht, yes; Aviles, yes; Olsen, yes; Helbling, yes. ABSENT - 2. NAYES - 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer Granger presented pay estimate #12 from Balkema Excavating, Inc. for the month of October in the amount of \$121,448.92. Moved by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Molter to approve pay estimate #12 to Balkema Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$121,448.92. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Aviles, yes; Olsen, yes; Helbling, yes; Molter, yes. ABSENT – 2. NAYES – 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer Granger announced the construction of the new water tower is out for bid and should be awarded at the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Trustee Helbling, seconded by Trustee Molter to approve Ordinance #96 to rezone the 60 acre parcel of land located at 6274 N. Coloma Road from AG-P Primary Agricultural to AG-T Agricultural Transitional/Residential. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. ABSENT – 2. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Olsen reported the committee appointed to look into purchasing the property located at 5408 Paw Paw Lake Road has decided not to pursue the issue.

Moved by Trustee Molter, seconded by Treasurer Becht, to approve the maintenance agreement between Coloma Charter Township and the City of Coloma for maintenance of the entire sewer system and lift stations for a fee of \$80,000.00 annually and to authorize Supervisor Parrigin to enter into a contract stating such.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Commissioner Wooley announced the county will be holding an open house at the new training facility November 29 from 1:00 – 2:30.

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Laura Friedman expressed concern regarding a building she purchased.

Mary Ann Richmond expressed concern regarding the Coloma Township Police Department's handling of a situation involving her son at a football game.

Jim Lukan of 6807 High Street expressed concerns regarding a plugged drain and water running down his driveway as a result of water main construction. Engineer Granger said the issues will be addressed at the end of the week.

Damien Gomez of 6819 High Street expressed concern regarding his driveway being patched after water main construction. Engineer Granger said the issue will be addressed by the end of the week.

Moved by Trustee Molter, seconded by Trustee Helbling the meeting be adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Olsen, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved: