

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
October 10, 2012

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 Cynthia Aviles, Bryan Duffield, Jim Fulton, and Jeff Mitchell. Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Randy Pompey

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved September expenses totaling \$224,250.64. Moved by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Jeff Mitchell, to approve the consent agenda September Board minutes, and finance report. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes. ALL AYES. APPROVED

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Ruff, Fire Chief Candidate for North Berrien Fire & Rescue, wanted to address the Board to inform them of correct information and not rumors within the community. Steve Groendyk, Chairman of the Fire Board, was also in attendance. Mr. Ruff stated the application he filled out did not require the Fire Chief to live within a 5 mile radius of the Fire Stations. He informed the Board he had just purchased a home in Bridgman, and the joint custody of his children would be a factor if he had to live within the 5 mile radius. He also volunteered not to take a fire department vehicle home with him. He discussed some ideas on the future of the Fire Department, he is a certified fire trainer and would give training to the fire fighters who needed it, and explained a Fire Chief is an administrative position. His plans are to keep Dave Woodward as Assistant Fire Chief. He then answered question from the Board and audience.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chana Kniebes, from the North Berrien Community Develop, informed everyone there will be a ribbon cutting on Thursday, October 18, 2012, for the remodeled Coloma McDonald's, at 5:00pm. She reminded everyone of the "Halloween in the Park" is going to be held on October 27, 2012, from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. The parade will start at the Fire Station and continue through downtown with refreshments at Baker Park. Trustee Cindy Aviles stated this is a great event and encouraged everyone to attend.

Trustee Fulton stated there was a special land use permit approved by the planning commission which will be presented under new business.

Treasurer Becht stated a resolution for the sewer board loan will be presented under new business.

Chief Pompey presented the September Police report. He highlighted some of the monthly activities and asked if anyone had questions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer presented a list of Election Inspectors and Receiving Boards for the November 6, 2012, General Election and asked for an approval. Trustee Jeff Mitchell, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve the list of Election Inspectors and Receiving Boards for the November 6, 2012, General Election. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Jim Fulton stated the township planning commission approved a special land use permit for a mini-storage and retail store facility to Carlos Stockwell of 6920 Red Arrow Highway. After discussion Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Cindy Aviles, made a motion to approve the special land use permit. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer Lance Becht informed the Board a resolution approval is needed for the sewer board loan. Treasurer Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Cindy Aviles, made a motion to approve the resolution for the sewer board loan. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Martin stated he thought it was a good decision by candidate Fire Chief Bob Ruff not to take the fire vehicle home with him.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Cindy Aviles, to adjourn the meeting 8:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____