COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING October 14, 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 Trustee Bryan Duffield

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Lance Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved the September expenses totaling \$268,982.07. Moved by Treasurer Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Rob Harper, to approve the consent agenda and September regular meeting Board minutes. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes. ALL AYES. APPROVED.

PRSESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Peter Woldman, of Gabridge & Company, our audit company, presented the results of the 2015 audit for Coloma Charter Township. He highlighted some of the information in the audit and answered all question. Mr. Woldman stated the Township was given a "clean audit" which is the highest rating they can give.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Kraemer stated every year the Township donates \$300.00 to "Halloween in the Park" which will be held on October 31, 2015 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm in Baker Park, downtown Coloma. She asked for a motion to approve the donation for this year. Treasurer Lance, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield, made a motion to donate \$300.00 to "Halloween in the Park". ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes, Becht, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chana Kniebes, from North Berrien Community Development/Coloma Watervliet Area Chamber of Commerce, informed everyone the annual golf outing went well considering it rain all day. The golfers did get in 11 holes of golf and prizes were awarded. She also presented information on "Halloween in the Park" which will be held on October 31, 2015 from 3pm to 5pm. There will be a parade, of all the ghosts and goblins, from the Fire Station to Baker Park where everyone will be served hot dogs, cupcakes, and other goodies. The Police department will have a "haunted" cemetery behind City Hall and that is where the candy will be distributed.

The Planning Commission is still reviewing an ordinance regarding attached garages. The resolution for the Township Board to approve the updated Master Plan is under "New Business".

Treasurer Lance Becht gave the figures on the sewer plant for the month. He stated the sewer board did receive a check for \$9,000.00 from the SAW grant.

Chief of Police Jason Roe did not attend this meeting due to the passing of his father. He did submit a Police report for the month which was reviewed by the Township Board.

Trustee Rob Harper informed the Board there were 9 fire runs in September, 4 runs in Coloma Township. They are reviewing specifics for the Tanker truck. Trustee Harper also gave the Board information on income and expenses. There is a new firefighter on the team who is Krissy Krajecki. She has begun Firefighter I and II classes.

Trustee Bryan Duffield stated the Cemetery has safety concerns on some of the taller older monuments and they are being repaired. A tree was removed and some limbs were trimmed.

A written quarterly report was submitted from our assessor Kevin Kutscher. In the report he stated the State is doing an Audit of the Township's Assessing procedures. The meeting was held on Monday, October 12, 2015. He felt the meeting went well and was able to produce most information they required.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

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NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer stated the Resolution for the 2015 Master Plan for Coloma Township was in the Board packets that were distributed earlier in the week and an email of the Master Plan was sent to all Board members. After discussion Clerk Kraemer asked for a motion to approve the Master Plan. Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, made a motion to approve the 2015 Master Plan for Coloma Township. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Bryan Duffield reported he and Trustee Jim Fulton attended the 2015 Joint Lake Restoration Advisory Committee, on August 31, 2015, and there was a decision made to reimburse the Paw Paw Lake Association \$2,500.00 and the Paw Paw Lake Foundation \$2,500.00. After discussion he made a motion, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, to reimburse the Paw Paw Lake Association \$2,500.00 and the Paw Paw Lake Foundation \$2,500.00 from the Special Assessment District funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Berrien County Commissioner Bill Smith informed the Township Board the County is working on their budget. He stated the new animal control building is being completed.

Trustee Matt Moser asked where the Township is as far as the Berrien County Gun Range stands. Supervisor Parrigin stated he will be speaking with the Township Attorney very soon and he will inquire as to the status.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm.

| Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor |
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