

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
September 9, 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 Trustee Aviles.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved August expenses totaling \$237,400.98. Moved by Treasurer Becht, seconded by Trustee Mitchell to approve the consent agenda and finance report. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes; Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. APPROVED

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Kraemer presented a letter from Berrien County 4-H Leaders Association, Inc. asking permission to sell flower bulbs from September 24, 2009 through October 19, 2009 and to sell candy bars from November 1, 2009 through November 19, 2009. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CALLED.

Clerk Kraemer informed the Board that their packets had information regarding a conference being held Friday, October 16, 2009 titled "Taking Charge: Special Assessment Districts for Lake Improvements." Rick Rasmussen, from the Paw Paw Lake Advisory Board, left the information at the Township hall. Supervisor Parrigin stated he was going to try to attend this conference and if anyone else was interested to let him know.

Supervisor Parrigin had a copy of an article on dock deicers given to him by Charles Pater and each Board member received a copy of the article in their packets.

Mr. Pater commented that while researching these deicers he discovered that some townships have ordinances to regulate them. There was lengthy discussion including comments and questions from the audience and the Board members. A committee was appointed to research this issue. The committee members appointed were Ordinance Enforcement Officer Rory Bell, Trustee Bryan Duffield, Zoning Administrator Cheryl VanDrasek and township resident, Charles Pater. The committee decided to discuss this with Attorney Scott Dienes to get thoughts. A motion was made by Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Treasurer Lance Becht, to allow up to \$1,000.00 to pursue an ordinance using dock deicers if Attorney Dienes supported it. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mitchell, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Aviles, yes; Duffield, yes. NAYES-0. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Aviles reported the Personnel committee is moving forward in discussion with Atty. Keith Brodie on personnel matters.

Treasurer Becht reported that a gas leak at the sewer plant was repaired

Chief Pompey gave his Police report and introduced his guests. The Police Department appointed Kevin Hester as Chaplin and the new patrolman hired was Dan Stuglik. Chief Pompey stated that Officer Stuglik started several new programs at his previous employment and he will be an asset to our Police Department.

Trustee Mitchell reported that they hoped to have the new Fire Chief in place by our October Board meeting.

Trustee Duffield stated he contacted the leaf company that will be picking up leaves this fall. They have new equipment and will try to be at the next Board meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Engineer George Granger reported he is waiting for approval from the State to complete the Dacthal project.

Clerk Kraemer asked for approval of the final reading of Ordinance #99. Trustee Mitchell made the motion, seconded by Trustee Fulton. VOICE VOTE. ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Parrigin stated an agreement on the Water project between the City and Township should be completed in 30 to 60 days. There will a special meeting scheduled before the agreement is finalized.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Moved by Trustee Aviles, seconded by Trustee Duffield, the meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____