

CALL TO ORDER

The October 27, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Oakland Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Gonser at 7:01 PM in the Township Hall, 4393 Collins Rd., Rochester, MI.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Supervisor Gonser led the reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Clerk Neubeck called the Roll.

Members Present: Terry R. Gonser, Supervisor
Jeanne Langlois, Treasurer
Robin Buxar, Trustee
Michael Bailey, Trustee
Frank Ferriolo, Trustee
John Giannangeli, Trustee

Absent: Karen Reilly, Clerk

Also Present: Dale Stuart, Township Manager
Dan Kelly, Township Attorney
Cari Neubeck, Deputy Clerk

A quorum was present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Supervisor Gonser on behalf of the Board of Trustees presented Diana Borrusch formerly of the Historical Society, with a proclamation recognizing her Distinguished Volunteer Service Award from the State of Michigan.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

The Board heard public comment from:
John Markel – 245 Birch Hill Dr.

AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION by Bailey, supported by Langlois to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board agreed to pull item 4. GenPower Generator Inspection Agreements.

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Bailey to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

1. Approval of Bills
 - October 21, 2015 in the amount of \$43,035.95
 - October 23, 2015 in the amount of \$464.70
 - October 27, 2015 in the amount of \$254,612.49
2. Approval of Minutes
 - October 13, 2015 Regular
 - October 20, 2015 Special
3. IT Right Agreements

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. GenPower Generator Inspection Agreements

Supervisor Gonser stated the agreements were pulled for further review by Manager Stuart of the number of inspections for the Cider Mill and Township Hall.

PENDING BUSINESS

1. Presentation: Overview of Consumer Protection Division of Attorney General Bill Schuette's Office

Mr. Glen Clark from Attorney General's office gave a brief overview of a series of presentations at no cost made available for municipalities to make available for its residents.

2. Clinton River Watershed Update

Mr. Kelly, Township Attorney gave an update on the history and current lawsuit regarding the Clinton River Watershed.

The Board heard public comment from:

Greg Olson – 4190 Orion Rd.

Jan Olson – 4190 Orion Rd.

Judy Spitz – 4210 Orion Rd.

John Markel – 245 Birch Hill Dr.

Martin McClure – 920 E. Snell Rd.

Diane Praet - 4330 Orion Rd.

3. Front Entrance Update

Mr. Stuart announced representatives from Partners in Architecture who gave an overview of the review progress and provided a project update with regard to the front entrance of Township Hall.

The Board heard public comment from:
John Markel – 245 Birch Hill Dr.

4. Consideration of Adoption of Ethics Policy

Mr. Stuart gave a brief review of a draft copy of an Ethics policy which he designed after reviewing several other communities as well as a handbook produced by Michigan Municipal League.

MOTION by Bailey, supported by Buxar to have the Township Manager circulate the proposed Ethics Policy to all Board and Commission members with a request to supply their thoughts/suggested revisions and that he present a revised Ethics Policy at the December 8, Board of Trustees meeting.

The Board heard public comment from:
John Markel – 245 Birch Hill Dr.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Planning Commission Appointments

Supervisor Gonser provided his appointments of Lana Mangiapane and Dominic Abbate for the Board's consideration and approval to the Planning Commission.

MOTION by Ferriolo, supported by Buxar to approve the nomination to appoint Dominic Abbate to the Planning Commission to the term beginning September 1, 2015 for a period of three years.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Consider Appointment of Planner

MOTION by Langlois, supported by Buxar to hire Carlisle Wortman as the Township Planner for the terms of the contract which was summarized by the Township Attorney and to also authorize the Supervisor and Manager to sign the contract.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION by Buxar, supported by Ferriolo to authorize the Township Manager to enter into a contract with Mr. Don Mende at a rate not to exceed \$45 per hour for a minimum of 800 hours per year as an independent contractor as the Township Planning Coordinator, for a trial period of six months.

Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Stuart updated the Board on the following:

2016-2017 Budget calendar

Recent Fire Department resignation

Plan for cleaning of the terrazzo flooring and bathrooms in the Township Hall.

Sheriff's rate for 2016 will remain unchanged

Township Phragmites contribution

BOARD REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

Treasurer Langlois – gave an overview of the Cash and Investment Report included in the packet.

Trustee Bailey – commented on the Tree Ordinance needing to include invasive trees.

Trustee Buxar – congratulated Ms. Borrusch on receiving such a distinguished award.

Supervisor Gonser – we have a number of petitions for an SAD for road improvements.

Trustee Ferriolo – is looking forward to a future discussion on the Tree Ordinance.

He further mentioned that all of the Township meetings can now be viewed live.

Trustee Giannangeli – wished the residents a safe and Happy Halloween.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Bailey, supported by Ferriolo to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:59 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.
Oakland Township Hall – 1st Floor Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Karen Reilly, Clerk
Board of Trustees

Terry R. Gonser, Supervisor
Board of Trustees