Minutes of Regular meeting of Charlton Twp. Board—October 13, 2014

The regular October meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Clerk Ivan Maschke at 7:00 pm on Monday, October 13, 2014.

Board members present: Samkowiak, Huff, McCarthy and Maschke. Members absent: Nowak.

Maschke designated Keith Huff as interim chairperson.

Audience: John Burt, Willard Brown, Lee Olsen, Jackie Haag, Sally Nowak, Keri King, Doug and Ev Fox.

Samkowiak moved, McCarthy supported, to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting as printed. Ayes, all. (4) Motion carried.

McCarthy moved, Maschke, supported, to accept the Treasurer's report as follows: General Operation, \$352,843.65; Fire/EMS Account, \$237,493.47. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Audience: Nothing.

Old Busiiness: Talked about the need for one (1) more election official for Nov. 4 election.

New Business: Willard Brown talked about the township planning commission meeting. They discussed a letter from the County Zoning Administrator. Talked about possible changes to the zoning ordinance. After discussion, McCarthy moved, Maschke supported, to accept the recommendation of the township planning commission for two (2) proposed changes. Regards to article 7.2.3 which removes 'non-profit' from the ordinance, the board has no issue with this change. Also, article 17 (schedule of dimensions) the recommendation is to not accept the changes as requested by the zoning administrator and that new note 'm' the 'upon zoning administrator approval' be deleted and 'may' be changed to 'shall'. Ayes, all. Motion carried. Willard also talked about a ten (10) year plan for mostly roadwork in the township. The priority list includes Gingell Road from M-32 to Waters Road in 2015, Meridian Line Rd. Phase 1 in 2016, Meridian Line Rd. Phase 2 in 2018, Hetherton Road Phase 1 and 2 in 2019-2021 and Waters Road Chip/Seal Chester line to Gingell in 2022. Talked about the need to resurface the hall parking lot. Decided to move hall parking lot up from #9 to #7 in 2016.

McCarthy moved, Maschke supported, to sign an agreement with the Otsego Land Use Services for services for 2015 and 2016 for \$ 6,180.00 per year. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Reports: John Burt gave a report on county happenings. They are moving the city police around to make room for Sheriff's Dept. Parks and Rec. director Mike Tarbutton is retiring. County may do some renovating at the Groen Preserve. County got a grant for \$50,000.00 for new ambulance and \$50,000.00 for work on court house.

Fire: Talked about the new truck. Dept. working on a \$6,000.00 grant for turnout gear.

EMS: Jackie says they will be getting some new shirts/coats. She introduced Doug and Evelyn Fox as possible candidates for EMS. They are both certified. They live in Otsego Lake Township. There is a question regards to whether they will be able to make any runs. Jackie stated that they would be help if needed in the SW corner of our coverage area. Decided to wait to see if this is possible. Jackie reported that Penny Banazak has moved back into the area and may return to the department.

Planning: Willard reported that next Monday is scheduled county planning meeting. Two items on agenda.

Assessing: Sally says she is waiting for results of state tax audit. Doing sales study now.

Custodial: Duane had bad experience at last weeks wedding reception. Thinking about possible deposit when a rental occurs to make it possible to withhold some funds if problems occur.