

Minutes of Regular meeting of Charlton Twp. Board—December 9, 2013

The regular December meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Matt Nowak at 7:00 pm on Monday, December 9, 2013.

All Board members present. Others present: Duane Switalski, Willard Brown, Nathan Olds, Lee Olsen, Sally Nowak.

Those present recited the pledge to the flag.

Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting as printed. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Kim presented the Treasurer's report as follows: General Operation, \$ 287,486.18; Fire/EMS Account, \$297,787.16. McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Audience: Nothing.

Old Business: Talked about the five (5) year plan for roadwork. Tom Deans of the Otsego County Road Commission has reported that it looks like Gingell Road North of M-32 will be on the 2015 agenda and that Meridian Line Road Phase 1 will be 2016. Talked about some needed repairs to Beckett Road west of Meridian Line Road.

New Business: Nowak moved, McCarthy supported, to appoint Sandra Wagner, Willard Brown and Mike Colosimo to the Board of Review for years 2014-15. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Matt received a letter from the Par-Plan regards to whether we would sign on for terrorist insurance. After discussion, Nowak moved, Huff supported, to decline terrorist insurance. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Nathan Olds of Colonial Life Insurance was present at the meeting to talk about a supplemental insurance policy that could be available for any employee. The policy would cover Disability Protection, Accident and Universal Life insurances. Decided that we could have a meeting with any employee interested in any of the policies. Will send a letter to all employees to canvass them for interest. This is not a program sponsored by the township and the township will not be paying any premiums. It will be the responsibility of any employee to pay for this program.

Reports: Lee Olsen gave a report on county activities. He stated that union agreements have been completed for county employees. Talked about remonumentation of section corners in the township. There are 297 corners remaining to be completed in Charlton Township. Lee stated that there are some areas in Charlton Township that will be sprayed for gypsy moth infestation. The county has funds available for spraying. Talked about personal property tax and the possibility of taxes being eliminated on oil/gas equipment in the future.

Fire: The new fire truck chassis has been sent to Zarembo's to start the apparatus installation. Truck needs to be altered before going to CSI in Grayling.

EMS: Nothing.

Planning: Next township planning meeting will be January 8, 2014. The county board will review the 2014 capital plan.

Custodial: Duane talked about handicapped parking at the hall. Decided to move the spaces to the east side of the building. Talked about lots of ice problems on the parking lot caused by water from downspouts. Duane stated that he may try sand on some of the areas. PA system is broken. Duane will get it fixed or get a new wireless system. Waste Station will be closed Christmas Day and New Years Day.

Matt notified the board that he will be purchasing 100 new folding chairs for the hall at \$ 23.00 each.

Assessing: Sally says Board of Review Tuesday, December 10. Talked about disabled vets exemption from property taxes. Could be one (1) person in Charlton Township. Talked about AG and Residential values. Sally says AG is higher than Residential and it should be the other way around.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay General Fund bills of \$ 18,456.87. Ayes, all. Motion carried. McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay Fire/EMS bills of \$ 645.15. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.