

Minutes of Regular meeting of Charlton Twp. Board—September 10, 2018

The regular September meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Matt Nowak at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 10, 2018.

Board members present: Samkowiak, Nowak, Huff and Maschke. Members absent: McCarthy. Others present: Robert Hunter, Sally Nowak, Duane Switalski and Robert Fleury.

Those present recited the Pledge to the Flag.

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

Samkowiak gave the Treasurer's report as follows: General Operation, \$ 376,862.05; Fire/EMS Account, \$306,232.82. Huff moved, Maschke supported, to accept the Treasurer's report. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Audience: Nothing.

Old Business: Talked about roadwork on Dagon Road. The project to straighten out a curve north of M-32 is nearly complete. Original cost was to be approximately \$ 17,000 for the township share. Road commission billed the township for \$ 5,000 for the work. Reduction due to actual costs for the work by the road commission.

Talked about proposed assessing law changes. Sally, Matt and Keith attended a meeting with state officials regards to proposed changes. Those present at the meeting were in agreement that the proposed new law would be bad for rural townships. After discussion, Huff offered Resolution 18-4 (page 119 in minute book) with support from Samkowiak. Roll call vote found four (4) ayes, (0) nays. Resolution adopted.

New Business: Received a ten (10) year plan for roadwork in the township from the Charlton Township Planning Commission. Matt will check with the road commission to see if the plan is acceptable or feasible. Talked about Class 'A' roads and the costs involved. Board will take recommendations into consideration.

Nowak moved, Maschke supported, to set township operating millage at 0.9542 for Tax Year 2018. Ayes, all. (4). Motion carried.

Nowak moved, Maschke supported, to set Fire/EMS voted millage at 0.7500 for Tax Year 2018. Ayes, all. (4). Motion carried.

Nowak moved, Maschke supported, to collect a 1% Tax Administration Fee for Tax Year 2018. Ayes, all. (4). Motion carried.

Kim talked about moving some funds from M Bank to Chemical Bank in the Fire/EMS Account.

Reports: Duane gave a report on county activities. County bought Royal Crest Motel on Tax Sale. The library expansion completion date has been moved to a later date. The Otsego Lake drain on the east side of the lake needs to be repaired or replaced. Cost to be approximately \$ 100,000. The proposed new entrance to the Groen Property will be re-bid for next year. Talked about the bicycle/snowmobile trail through Gaylord, water quality and storm damage. Talked about Christmas lights in downtown Gaylord and the county's share of costs.

Fire: Bob Hunter gave a report. He asked about the MVR for Matt Whitbread. Not back yet. The fire department requests the township hall for kids' games during the trunk or treat on Halloween. Ok if there is adult supervision and no food or drink taken into the hall. Much discussion regards to cadets being paid for attending meetings and runs. Will discuss further at budget time.

EMS and Planning: Nothing.

Custodial: Andy working an additional week or so since Duane is extra busy. Talked about the township office building being 25 years old and some needed maintenance.

Assessing: Sally stated that Residential assessments should see a 6% increase.

Huff moved, Nowak supported, to pay General Fund bills of \$ 24,512.71 and Fire/EMS bills of \$ 437.68. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.