

Minutes of Regular meeting of Charlton Twp. Board—April 9, 2012

The regular April meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Matt Nowak at 7:00 pm on Monday, April 9, 2012.

All board members present. Others present: Willard Brown, Robert Fleury, Ron Koronka, George Pewinski, Lee Olsen, John and Nikki Pomety, Duane Switalski, Mike Hoy, Dan Kwapis.

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.

Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to accept the minutes of the March 15, 2012, special meeting as printed. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Samkowiak moved, McCarthy supported, to accept the minutes of the March 15, 2012, Public Hearing as printed. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Kim Samkowiak gave the FY 2012-13 starting balances as follows: General Operation, \$ 267,625.54; Fire/EMS Account, \$ 334,208.41. McCarthy moved, Maschke supported, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Next Charlton Township regular meeting will be May 14, 2012 and the next O.C.T.O.A. meeting will be May 15, 2012, at Chester Township.

Audience: Nothing.

Old Business: Talked about repairs to truck #102. The truck has been repaired by CSI of Grayling and Matt presented the bill totaling \$ 11,076.81. Matt talked to the president of Pro-Poly of America and gave a report on that conversation. Matt stated that Gary Koronka did attend a workshop on welding poly tanks, but is not certified by Pro-Poly to do stress related cracks. The president of Pro-Poly of America stated that there are specific instructions sent with each tank regards to the proper mounting on the truck chassis. Gary Koronka claims that he mounted the tank according to verbal instructions from a Pro-Poly representative. Up-North Fire has never mentioned re-mounting the tank according to Pro-Poly specifications. He did offer to weld the tank but the welding was completed by a Pro-Poly employee at no cost to the township. The concern is the cost of mounting the tank properly. CSI charged \$ 5,891.60 for the remounting. It was decided that we would send another letter to Up-North Fire requesting payment for the proper mounting of the tank on truck #102.

Keith asked about the Keyser wedding reception. Matt stated that the rental is on and arrangements have been made to get the hall ready for the athletic event after the reception.

New Business: Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to authorize fireworks in the township for the July 4th, 2012, celebration. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Matt gave available dates for a township spring clean-up day. It was decided to hold the event at Arrow Sanitation in Gaylord on June 23, 2012, from 7:00 am until 11:00 am.

Talked about yearly costs to operate the Fire/EMS departments. The voted 1.2 mil proposal has expired. Discussion centered on how much millage to request from the voters. Talked about options for expansion of the fire hall and EMS barn. Members of the fire department were present at the meeting and talked about various items including adding a fire station in Gaylord.

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Discussed purchasing a new lawn mower. Matt presented three (3) bids for mowers including John Deere, Cub Cadet and Kubota. Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to purchase a Kubota 48" cut mower from Ginop Sales for a price of \$ 6,700.00 through the MI-Deal program. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Reports: Lee Olsen gave a report on county activities. Talked about the equalization report and the fact that S.E.V. is down 2.94 %. There are still unanswered questions on the recycling proposal. He gave an update on the Groen property. There should be a grand opening in July of this year.

Fire: Truck #102 is back in service.

EMS: Nothing.

Planning: Township planning will hold their meeting this coming Wednesday. Willard attended his first county planning commission meeting. Talked about recreation planning. Also talked about whether the township planning commission could have authority to make decisions about county planning items.

Custodial: Duane reported that part of Rock Road has been graded by someone. The rotary broom is currently broken down. New parts are coming.

Assessing: Sally says B of Review went well.

Mike McCarthy talked about recycling. He stated that 33 people attended the last meeting. They want to encourage township boards to get something on the ballot for November. Working on defining 'household'.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay the General Fund bills in the amount of \$ 19,521.27. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay the Fire/EMS bills in the amount of \$ 6,493.69. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.