

Minutes of Regular meeting of Charlton Twp. Board—May 8, 2017

The regular May meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Matt Nowak at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 8, 2017.

All board members present. Others present: Duane Switalski, Bob Fleury, Sally Nowak, Kerri and Bob Hunter, George Pewinski, Mike Hoy.

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

Huff moved, Maschke supported, to accept the Treasurer's report as follows: General Operation, \$498,109.94; Fire/EMS Account, \$ 316,501.96. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Audience: Nothing.

Old Business: Discussed applicants for the part-time summer maintenance employee. Matt had two (2) current applications. After discussion, Nowak moved, Samkowiak supported, to hire Andy Basinski as the part-time summer maintenance employee. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Talked about the updated township Master Plan. The draft is out to the public for review. Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to approve the draft of the updated Master Plan for the township so that the process can continue. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Talked about a millage proposal for Fire/EMS Departments. After discussion, Nowak moved, Samkowiak supported, to place a proposal on the August 8, 2017, ballot for 0.75 mills for five (5) years. If approved and levied in its entirety it would generate \$ 84,200.00 the first year. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

New Business: Talked about T.V. White Space internet hook-up through the Otsego County Library. This program would use towers to increase internet power in the area. Nowak moved, McCarthy supported, to send a letter of support to Maureen Derenzy of the Otsego County Library regards to this project. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Matt stated that an individual wanted to put more names on the bricks at the Veteran's Memorial. It was decided that the brick project was for the cost of the memorial and that no more names would be purchased.

Reports: Duane Switalski gave a report on county commission activities. Talked about a NEMCOG grant to do land use services survey. Duane thought that Charlton Township needs to have a representative on the committee. County got a \$ 50,000 grant for a new ambulance. Total cost of the vehicle is \$ 178,000. Duane says the library millage passed last year is short about \$ 1,200,000 of the necessary funds to build addition to the library in Gaylord. Looking at other options. Talked about township's contributions to the Planning/Zoning at the county. Everyone thought that the county should take over this expense again.

Planning: Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to approve a request of the Land Use Services for changes to Article 27, Section 23, Site Plan Review, of the Zoning Ordinance. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Fire: Bob Hunter says ladder testing and hose testing is complete. Talked about the cadet program. Bob says they will rewrite portions of the program and present at next meeting. Trucks have been renumbered. Discussed the grant that has been ongoing. Samkowiak moved, McCarthy supported, to hire Bob Dack to do the grant writing when it becomes available. Cost is \$ 500.00 plus 5% of the grant monies. Ayes, all. Motion carried. Mike Hoy talked about the water tank. Retrofit is taking place and it should be installed soon.

EMS: Kerri Hunter reported that five (5) people are in MFR class. Discussed new EMS coordinator position. Will negotiate with those interested.

Custodial: Duane says going to turn water on at ball field and fill water tanks at cemeteries. Getting ready for summer outside work.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay General Fund bills of \$ 36,371.59 and Fire/EMS bills of \$21,644.59. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.