

## Minutes of Regular meeting of Charlton Twp. Board—May 9, 2016

The regular May meeting of the Charlton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Matt Nowak at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 9, 2016.

All board members present. Others present: Willard Brown, Sally Nowak, Bob Harkness, Bob Fleury, Jack Lochinski, Duane Switalski, Ron Koronka, Colin Hunter, Chistopher Rahn.

McCarthy moved, Huff 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, \$ 441,776.82; Fire/EMS Account, \$299,389.82. Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to accept the Treasurer's report. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Audience: Colin Hunter, attorney from Grayling, was present at the meeting to give his qualifications for the upcoming election of Circuit Judge for Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties. Janet Allen is retiring.

Old Business: Talked about hiring a part-time summer maintenance employee. Moved by Nowak, supported by McCarthy, to hire Jack Lochinski as the part-time maintenance employee. Ayes, all. Motion carried. Work to be approximately 20 hours per week depending upon the weather.

New Business: Matt and Duane checked out the playground equipment for safety concerns. Samkowiak moved, McCarthy supported, to purchase new chains and swing seats for approximately \$ 535.00. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Willard Brown gave information on a proposed change to the county Zoning Ordinance. He stated that there will be lower towers for internet and wireless communications. Much discussion regards to towers and internet service in the township. Huff moved, McCarthy supported, to take the recommendation of the Charlton Township Planning Commission and recommend the proposed changes to the zoning ordinance to the Otsego County Land Use Services regards to Personal Wireless Services, Telecommunications Towers and Facilities. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Reports: Bob Harkness gave a report on county activities. Talked about the county expending funds to Gaylord City landscaping projects. Noted that townships are helping fund the building department and economic alliance as well as other departments and wondered why the county is spending money on Gaylord City projects when they could be funding the departments that the townships are funding. Talked about the Enbridge pipeline across Straits of Mackinaw and through the township. The county will be working on fixing the Veteran's Memorial at the courthouse.

Fire: Ron Koronka introduced Christopher Rahn as a possible hire for the fire department. Huff moved, McCarthy supported to hire Chistopher Rahn as a member of the fire department upon approval of the MVR. Ayes, all. Motion carried. Ron says may need to order one set of turn-out gear.

EMS: Nothing.

Planning: June 1, 2016, will be the regular township planning meeting. Jessica Spencer will be at the meeting to talk about our master plan.

Custodial: Duane working on outside stuff. Cut some limbs at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Assessing: Sally says she and Matt will be attending a renewal class in Roscommon next Weds.

McCarthy moved, Huff supported, to pay General Fund bills of \$ 34,004.17 and Fire/EMS Account bills of \$ 6,047.81. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.