

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING

January 10, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Coloma Charter Township Hall, Coloma, Michigan. Present for the Township: Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin, Clerk Sandy Kraemer, Treasurer Jim Fulton, Trustees Matt Moser and Jerry Willmeng. Absent Trustees Rob Harper and Bryan Duffield.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clerk Sandy Kraemer

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer James Fulton presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Fulton reported the finance committee met and approved the December expenses totaling \$224,040.50. Moved by Treasurer James Fulton, seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, to approve the consent agenda and December 13, 2017 regular meeting minutes ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Willmeng, yes, Fulton, yes. Absent Trustees Rob Harper and Bryan Duffield APPROVED

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jack Greve, Director, from North Berrien Historical Museum, presented an update on the upcoming programs at the museum. One important program will be the history of the "Paper Mill" in Watervliet. He asked if anyone had pictures or any history they would share the museum would be interested. This program will be presented on July 14, 2018.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Sandy Kraemer stated the North Berrien Community Development reported the Annual Business Recognition held at the Fairfield Inn in Watervliet was very well attended. The winners this year was The Flower Basket from Watervliet received the Community Impact award and Vincent J Jewelers from Coloma received the Community Excellent award. Honor received the Community Spirit ward.

COMMITTEE REPORTS CON'T

Trustee Matt Moser reported the Sewer Board approved \$4,400.00 for repairs on raw sewage pumps. Retirement funding to be increased by 1 1/2% approved by the Board. Each employee received a \$200.00 Christmas Bonus.

Police Chief Jason Roe reported there were 238 total complaints investigated in December. 8 breaking and entering, 4 for Larceny, and 15 were suspicious situations. He stated there were 22 arrests, 71 traffic stops, 27 citations issued, 71 traffic warnings, 95 property checks. He answered all questions.

Clerk Kraemer reported for the North Berrien Fire and Rescue, in the absence for Trustee Rob Harper. Hazelton Township Fire Department presented a bid of \$60,000.00 for the tanker truck. The Fire Board felt this is a good bid and the three municipalities will have to approve it. After discussion Treasurer Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, made a motion to approve the sale of the tanker truck for \$60,000.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes. Absent Trustees Bryan Duffield and Rob Harper. AYES 5. Absent 2. MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer stated this is the second reading of an Ordinance re-zoning and special land use permit from ABC Truck Repair. There were no objections to the ordinance. Trustee Matt Moser, seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Moser, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. 5 AYES. 2 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer received a letter from Foster Swift Collins & Smith Attorneys stating Attorney Scott Dienes has left their firm to join the law firm of Barnes & Thornburg in Grand Rapids. Foster Swift would like to know if the Township will go with Attorney Dienes or stay with Foster Swift. After discussion Trustee Jerry Willmeng, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, made a motion to approve the Township stay with Foster Swift. ROLL CALL VOTE: Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes. 5 AYES 2 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dave Vollrath, our Berrien County Commissioner, reported there were three interviews for Berrien County Road Department. He feels James Latham is would be the top leader for the job.

Orville Teder thanked Berrien County Road Department for doing a good job on the roads during the large snow fall we just received.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____