

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
July 13, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clerk Sandy Kraemer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Lance Becht presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Becht reported the finance committee met and approved the June expenses totaling \$176,863.85. Moved by Treasurer Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, to approve the consent agenda and June 8, 2016 regular meeting minutes ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes. 6 AYES 1 ABSENT APPROVED.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Doug Kraemer, from North Berrien Fire & Rescue, presented facts and figures regarding the Fire Department purchasing a Tanker truck. He informed everyone the previous Fire Chief had requested the department purchase a Rescue truck. He stated a committee, made up of Fire Board Members and Fire Fighters re-evaluated the fleet and it was decided a Tanker truck was needed more than a Rescue truck. He reported the committee has received some bids on a Tanker truck but has not made a decision. He stated Hagar Township and Coloma City has approved \$315,000.00 to purchase a Tanker truck and asked if Coloma Township Board would approve the same amount. After discussion and a question and answer period Matt Moser, seconded by Bryan Duffield, made a motion to approve the purchase of a Tanker truck not to exceed \$315,000.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Kraemer stated the Township received a "thank you" letter from Medley in the Park committee thanking the Township for their donation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Kraemer reported there needed to be a correction made to last month's report. It was on the Assessor contract renewal approval there were 5AYES NOT 6. 1 NAY. 1 ABSENT.

Chana Kniebes, from North Berrien Community Development, informed everyone Medley in the Park was a very warm day and the car show went well, all enjoyed the bands, and food. She stated the 4th of July parade, in Watervliet, was well attended. Also there is a golf outing coming up in September, which is a fund raiser, and invited everyone to come play golf. She mentioned the Medley in the Park committee is considering moving from June to September and the golf outing would be in June instead of September next year.

Supervisor Ken Parrigin reported the Road Commission is continuing to get the approved roads done in Coloma Township.

Trustee Jim Fulton stated the Planning Commission approved two fireworks stands to sell 4th of July fireworks. Still finalizing attached garage policy and accessory use buildings.

Treasurer Lance Becht informed the Board Coloma Township came in 1st place for the months of April and May, 2016 of wastewater usage. He reported the Sewer Plant purchased a new lawn mower; they are working on the float system for the new camera, and the Audit will begin on June 13, 2016. For the months of April and May the Plant was in compliance.

Chief of Police Jason Roe reported there were 254 total complaints investigated in June. 6 were for obstructing justice, 7 for driving violations, and 15 were suspicious situations. He stated there were 24 arrests, 135 traffic stops, 134 traffic warnings, 33 citations issued, 103 property checks and 52 ordinance investigations in the township. The Chief commented on the tragic situation at Berrien County Courthouse. He stated one of his officers was involved but not injured.

Trustee Bryan Duffield reported with the full-time employee and two part-time employees at the cemetery, one part-time is summer help, things are going smoothly and the work is getting done.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer reported after she presented the Annual Salaries for area Board members last month Trustee Matt Moser presented a recommendation for the Coloma Charter

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Township Board members. After discussion the Board decided to table it until next month.

Clerk Kraemer asked the Board members if Supervisor Ken Parrigin should be placed on the North Berrien Fire & Rescue Board for a limited time. Supervisor Parrigin informed the Board that Fire Board member Stuart Thurlow resigned. After discussion Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield, made a motion to accept Stuart Thurlow's resignation. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED. After further discussion Trustee Matt Moser, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield, made a motion to approve Supervisor Ken Parrigin to become a member of the Fire Board for a limited time. ROLL CALL VOTE: Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Kraemer stated at last month's meeting the Board discussed contributing to the Paw Paw Lake Special Assessment District and it was tabled. She asked if the Board wanted to make a decision for that contribution. After discussion Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve \$5,003.00 (5%) for the Paw Paw Lake Special Assessment District. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Parrigin suggested the Township purchase a generator for the Township Hall when the power goes out. He asked Maintenance Supervisor Rory Bell to give the details to everyone. Rory presented information on a phase 3 generator from Lowe's Home Center which would fit the needs of the Township. The cost of the generator is approximately \$8,000.00 plus the cost of installation. After discussion Trustee Matt Moser, seconded by Clerk Sandy Kraemer, made a motion to purchase the 3 phase generator plus installation. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Kraemer asked for an approval of the list of election workers that will work the August 2, 2016 election. Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Matt Moser, made a motion to approve the slate of election workers for the August 2, 2016 election. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

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Clerk Kraemer stated the police contract renewal with the City of Coloma needed approval by the Township Board. After discussion Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Treasurer Lance Becht, made a motion to approve the renewed police contract with the City of Coloma. ROLL CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Kraemer reported she received a final billing on the Washington School project in the amount of \$8,741.29 making the total cost of the Washington School project \$131,628.75. Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Jim Fulton, made a motion to pay the final bill of the Washington School project, in the amount of \$8,741.29. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes; Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Matt Moser stated the Township Board should renew the Water Service Advisory Board members. After discussion Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Treasurer Lance Becht, made a motion to renew Water Advisory Board members, Trustee Jim Fulton, Trustee Matt Moser, and Supervisor Ken Parrigin as an alternate for Coloma Township. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Fulton, yes; Becht, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Moser, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joy Dillard, 5434 Marquette Road, Coloma, Mi brought pictures of debris and over grown grass from the former Deer Forest property and asked if there is anything the Township can do to clean up the property. Supervisor Parrigin told her he would look into the problem.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Trustee Jim Fulton, seconded by Treasurer Matt Moser, to adjourn the meeting at 8:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____