GENOA TOWNSHIP
Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
March 20, 2006

MINUTES

Supervisor McCririe called the regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was then said. The following board members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Gary McCririe, Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Jean Ledford, Todd Smith, Jim Mortensen and Steve Wildman. In addition there were Township Manager Michael Archinal, Township Attorney Rick Heikkinen and approximately 25 persons in the audience.

A Call to the Public was made with no response.

Approval of Consent Agenda:
Moved by Hunt, supported by Ledford, to approve all item listed under the consent with the exception of items 6 and 7 which will be moved to the regular agenda for discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills.


3. Request for approval of a contract with Carol Hanus as a Utility Billing Specialist with a salary of $36,000.00 annually and with other benefits as provided by the Township Personnel Handbook – as recommended by the Administrative Committee.

4. Request for approval to hire a meter reader/installer to work in the Utility Department with a salary commensurate to his existing salary and with all other provisions as provided within the Township Personnel Handbook – as recommended by the Administrative Committee.

5. Request for approval to hire clerical support for the Utility Department with a salary commensurate to her existing salary and with all other provisions as provided within the Township Personnel Handbook – as recommended by the Administrative Committee.

6. Request for approval to purchase a scanner/copier to replace the existing copier at a cost not to exceed $12,300.00 (as recommended by the Administrative Committee).

7. Request for approval to purchase a letter-folding machine at a cost not to exceed $2,800.00 (as recommended by the Administrative Committee).
Approval of Regular Agenda:
Moved by Ledford, supported by Smith, to approve for action all items listed on the regular agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Request for approval of articles for the April Township Newsletter as recommended by the Administrative Committee.
The April newsletter articles were reviewed with minor changes. It was the consensus of the board to approve the publication.

7. Request for approval of an extension of a Special Use Permit for a proposed outdoor display in front of the existing garden center, located at Lowe’s, 100 S. Latson Rd., Section 5, petitioned by Lowe’s.
Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to approve a request for tables in the front of the garden center (eight table areas and one plant rack), from March 21, 2006 thru Nov. 30, 2006. Further, Item 2 on the March 15, 2006 correspondence is denied. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Public Hearing on the closeout of the Genoa Township/Uni-Boring facility CDBG in the amount of $750,00.00 – Fred Dillingham.
Mr. Dillingham addressed the board with an overview of the 2001 grant that provided water for Dorr Road. 29 additional jobs were created as a direct result of this grant. A call to the public was made with no response.

11. Consideration of a request for support of the Brighton Senior Center as tabled from the February regular meeting of the board.
Moved by Ledford, supported by Smith, to table until the next regular meeting of the board. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Request for approval of a resolution establishing Genoa Township as a Charter Township, complying with laws pertaining to such establishment.
Moved by Skolarus, supported by Wildman, to approve the resolution establishing Genoa Township as a Charter Township. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None.

13. Consideration of a request from Dewey Thomas with regard to property located at 5033 Chilson Road and the possible location of a gasoline service station.
Attorney Roger L. Myers addressed the board on behalf of Mr. Thomas. Myers provided an overview of the site as related to the Thomas request for an amendment to the consent judgment.

Moved by Smith, supported by Skolarus, to deny the request for an amendment for the following reasons:
This action is contrary to the consent judgment.
The site is rural in nature and not in agreement with the Township Master Plan.
The existing land use is appropriate for a neighborhood service area.
Traffic is a concern at this intersection.
The area is not appropriate for regional service commercial; which is better located along the Grand River corridor. There would be intense light and noise problems with the establishment of a gas station in this residential area. The number of persons who signed the petition indicates that the business as it is established is flourishing. The motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing and regular meeting of the board was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

\[signature\]
Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk

(Press/Argus 03/29/06)

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned clerk of the Township of Genoa hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of the Excerpt of the minutes of a regular meeting of the township board of the Township of Genoa, Livingston County, Michigan, held on March 20, 2006, at which meeting seven members of the township board were present and voted as indicated in said Minutes; that said meeting was held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act of the State of Michigan; and the foregoing Excerpt contains all material pertinent the Public Hearing of the closeout of the Genoa Township/Uni-Boring facility CDBG in the amount of $750,000.00.

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Signed: Genoa Township Clerk
Paulette A. Skolarus
March 21, 2006