

GENOA TOWNSHIP

Regular Meeting

June 20, 2005

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. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal, Township Attorney Rick Heikkinen and six persons in the audience.

A call to the public was made with no response.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Hunt, supported by Smith, to approve the consent agenda as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills.

2. Approval of Minutes: June 6, 2005.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Hunt, supported by Mortensen, to approve the regular agenda with the addition of Item 10. Request to adjourn to a closed session of the board to discuss pending litigation. The amended agenda was voted and carried unanimously.

3. Public Hearing on the General Fund Budget for fiscal 2005/06.

A. Call to the public for comment.

A call to the public was made with no response.

B. Disposition of salaries for the supervisor, clerk and treasurer.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Ledford, to approve a \$3,000.00 salary increase for the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Disposition of salaries for trustees, planning commission and zoning board of appeals.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Ledford, to approve salaries as follows: Trustees - \$175.00 meeting fee; Planning Commission - \$150.00 (chair - \$155.00); Zoning Board of Appeals - \$150.00 (chair - \$155.00). The motion carried unanimously.

D. Disposition of the amendment to the General Fund Budget for fiscal 2004/05.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Wildman, to approve the 2004/05 amendment as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Disposition of the General Fund Budget for fiscal 2005/06.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Ledford, to approve the budget for fiscal 2005/06, changing Liquor Law Enforcement to \$3,500.00 and the supervisor's salary to \$46,500.00. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Disposition of budgets for Liquor Law #212, Parks and Recreation #270, Future Roads #261 and Road Improvement Advances #264.

Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to approve the budget for #261, correcting the balance. The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Wildman, to approve the budgets for 212, 270 and 264 as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Disposition of budget for the debt service funds as follows: Lake Edgewood III #854, Grand River Water #855, Oak Pointe Water#856, Lake Edgewood Water Ext #857, Grand Oaks Water #858, Dorr Road Water/Sewer #859, Pine Creek Sewer #860, NE Tri-Lakes Sewer #862, Homestead #863, Tri-Lakes Road #864, Lake Edgewood I #865, Genoa Oceola Sewer #866, Tri-Lakes #867, Genoa Oceola II #868, Lake Edgewood II #869, Grand River Road #870, Lake Edgewood West Water #872, Lake Edgewood West #873, Genoa/MHOG Treatment Plan Expansion #875 and Genoa/Genoa-Oceola Sewer Plant Expansion #876.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve the debt service budgets as prepared by Hunt. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Hearing on the unsafe structure proceeding at 2607 E. Grand River Ave., belonging to Lee's Collision and Mr. Steven Lee.

A. Call to the Public.

A call to the public was made with no response.

B. Request to approve, modify or deny the recommendation of the hearing official related to the proceeding.

Mr. Lee asked that the petition be heard at the end of the meeting since his representative was not yet present. Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to table to the end of the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Request for approval to issue a fire works permit to Curt Price for a display on Lake Chemung.

Moved by Smith, supported by Skolarus, to grant a fire works permit with the following conditions:

1. The scheduled date is July 3, 2005 with a rain date of July 4, 2005.

2. Mortars will be delivered the same date as the display with no onsite storage of mortars.

3. Homeowner's insurance will be provided to the board covering the event.

4. The display will be held by a licensed pyrotechnician.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Request for approval of the Assessor's affidavit of the 2005 millage levies for the Township of Genoa, establishing the Millage levy at 0.8146 as requested by Debra Rojewski.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Mortensen, to approve the affidavit. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Request for approval of the recreation articles of incorporation for the Howell Area Recreation Authority.

Moved by Hunt, supported by Smith, to approve the articles of incorporation with minor changes related to the voting precincts and the attachment of an Exhibit A outlining the precincts, with properties (properties tax codes ending in 47070). The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Smith, Hunt, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – Ledford, Wildman and Mortensen. Absent – None.

8. Request for approval of re-appointments to the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals for expiring terms.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Smith, to reappoint Dean Tengel and Mark Snyder to the Planning commission with three-year terms expiring 06/30/08 and Doug Brown to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a three-year term expiring 06/30/08. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Review of newsletter articles for the July publication.

Articles submitted by Skolarus, McCririe and Archinal were reviewed, with minor changes recommended. The board took no formal action.

10. Public Hearing on the unsafe structure proceeding at 2607 E. Grand River Ave., belonging to Lee's Collision and Mr. Steven Lee.

Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to table the request for 30 days to allow the petitioner additional time to provide the following information and completion of work promised:

1. All health and safety issues will be resolved in no more than 30 days.

2. All persons with ownership in the property will execute a construction contract with the Township Attorney no later than Friday, June 24, 2005.

3. A letter of credit in the amount of \$14,000.00 will be provided to the Township Manager no later than Friday, June 24, 2005 and the contract will state that Edgewater Construction is the beneficiary of the letter of credit.

5. If the contract and letter of credit is not provided to the township by June 24, 2005, the request will be resolved at the next regular meeting of the township board.

The motion carried unanimously.

11. Request for approval to adjourn to a closed session of the board to discuss pending litigation.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Wildman, to adjourn to closed session at 7:55 p.m. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None. Absent – None.

The regular meeting was again brought to order at 8:35 p.m. It was the consensus of the board that a \$750.00 fine would be paid by Home Depot for the infraction involving outdoor storage. Further, at the request of the township attorney a stipulation was agreed upon that should Home Depot subsequently breach the terms of the Special Use Permit dated October 18, 1999 then for each day or part thereof that the terms of the special use permit are violated Home Depot shall pay to Genoa Township, within seven days of its request to do so, the sum of \$750.00.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk

(press/argus 06/29/05)