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GENOA TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting
Jan 3, 2005

MINUTES

 Supervisor McCririe called the regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board to Order at 6:30 p.m. at the Genoa Township Hall. 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, Jim Mortensen, Steve Wildman and Todd Smith. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal, Township Attorney Rick Heikkinen and three persons in the audience.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Mr. Dopkowski – The board allowed me 60 days to fix my home in Sunrise Park. I have just obtained financing and am asking for an extension. Moved by Smith, supported by Skolarus, to extend the request until the next regular meeting of the township board scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2005 at which time the following will be provided: 1. Evidence of financing. 2. All vehicles will be removed from the site. 3. The windows will be replaced. 4. A work plan including required materials will be provided to the township board. 5. Required permits will be obtained from the county. 6. All rubbish will be removed from the site. 7. A complete list of existing violations will be provided. The motion carried as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen and Skolarus. Nay – McCririe.

Consent Agenda:
Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve the Consent Agenda with the transfer of items 2, 3, 5, 6, & 7 to Action Items for Discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills.

2. Request for approval of adjustments to the tax roll for refuse collection and disposal as requested by Hunt for the following properties: 11-34-202-024 deduct $88.88 (duplicate); 11-35-200-003 deduct $80.80 (church); 11-14-400-019 deduct $80.80 (vacant).

3. Request for an approval to amend the General Fund Budget for fiscal 2004/05 as submitted by Skolarus.

Action Items for Discussion:
Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve the regular agenda as modified. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Request for approval of contracts for Debra Rojewski, Laura Mroczka and Beverly Wilson as requested by the Administrative Committee.

Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to approve a contract with Beverly Wilson, Laura Mroczka and Debra Rojewski as submitted with minor changes to be made by Heikkinen. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Request for approval of a conference/convention expense summary form and budget as related to the MTA convention scheduled for January 2005 and recommended by the Supervisor.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve the summary form and budget with the addition of a line item for the per diem fee to be paid to trustees. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Request for approval of a resolution to approve the Howell Area Recreation Authority Strategic Plan 2003-08.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Smith, to approve the resolution with minor revisions. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nay – None.

7. Request for approval of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as discussed by the Planning Commission Nov. 8, 2004 and Nov. 22, 2004. (Note: Please refer to the web site www.genoa.org under Zoning Draft 2005 for complete details.)

Moved by Ledford, supported by Smith, to adopt the amendment as requested. Further, the amendment will take effect 30 days after publication. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nay – None.

8. Request for consideration of architectural treatments for ground mounted water storage tank.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Wildman, to ask that the Genoa Township Planning Commission look favorably upon the construction of a water storage tank to be of a neutral or taupe color, partially buried and landscaped. The tank will be located off Brighton Road just west of the entrance to Oak Pointe. This facility will alleviate the problem of a shortage of water used for irrigation during the summer season. The motion carried unanimously.
9. Request for approval of a shared project between Oceola and Genoa Townships for construction of a sidewalk along Grand River Ave, between Golf Club and University.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Ledford, to approve a joint project with Oceola Township for the construction of a sidewalk along Grand River Ave. at a cost of $69,000.00 (Genoa’s portion to be $36,915.00). The motion carried unanimously.

10. Request for approval of the 2005 hourly fee schedule for professional planning services with Langworthy, Strader, LeBlanc & Associates, Inc.

Moved by Hunt, supported by Mortensen, to approve the following fee schedule with L.S.L. & Associates as follows: President, Managing Partner - $115.00; Partner - $108.00; Principal Planner - $95.00 to $100.00; Senior Planner $87.00; Project Planner II - $74.00; Project Planner I - $69.00; Assistant Planner - $57.00; and Word Processor - $29.00. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Ledford, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen and McCririe. Nay: Skolarus and Smith.

11. Approval of Minutes: Dec. 6, 2004

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Smith, to approve the Minutes of the December 6, 2004 regular meeting of the board, deleting items 1 thru 3 and adding items 1 thru 6 from the Planning Commission Minutes with regard to the request for rezoning. The motion carried unanimously.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk

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