GENOA TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting
Sept. 17, 2009

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Genoa Township Board was called to order by Supervisor McCirie at 7:00 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: McCirie, Skolarus, Hunt, Ledford, Smith, Combs and Mortensen. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal, Township Attorney Rick Heikkinen and approximately 15 persons in the audience.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Ledford, to approve the Agenda with the addition of item 6 - Consideration of the award of a bid for the Dorr Road Water and Sewer improvement project as recommended by Tetra Tech. The amended agenda was voted and approved unanimously.

A Call to the Public was made with the following response: Arnie Messing - There is a rumor that NorthShore Properties are asking for an amendment to the PUD to build homes in a sensitive area of land between the two lakes. This action would be wrong and I ask board members to protect the environment and preserve this parcel of land as a sanctuary. Ken Rayal - Is the township prepared for an emergency in light of what happened in New York? McCirie - The County is in charge of emergency response. Dick Winsett heads 9-1-1 emergency. Rayal - What about volunteers, medical emergency, churches available for service? McCirie - We will look into the matter with the county.

1. Public Hearing on the Dorr Road Water and Sewer Improvement Project.

A call to property owners and the public was made with the following response: Mr. Mitter - We previously discussed the need for a loop system for water. This project includes dead-end water runs. I want my two parcels pulled out of the district. Debbie Adams - We don't need water and sewer. We have two new buildings with water and sewer on our property and we don't need municipal services.

2. Request for approval to adopt Resolution No. 6 (Confirming the special Assessment Roll) for the Dorr Road Water and Sewer Improvement Project.

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Smith, to adopt Resolution No. 6 as submitted. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes - Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Combs, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCirie. Nay - None.

3. Request for approval to levy an operating millage of 0.8562 mills for Genoa Township as submitted by Thomas V. Florida, Township Assessor.
Moved by Skolarus, supported by Hunt, to adopt the operating millage levy as proposed. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussion of a letter from the Department of State concerning the township's eligibility to become a charter township.

Heikkenen advised the board that his office would provide additional information for discussion at a future board meeting. The board took no formal action.

5. Request for approval of a contract with Lindhout Associates, Architects for professional design, engineering and construction administration services for the fire sub-station to be located on Dorr Road.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Smith, to approve both phases of the design with civil engineering and landscape design at $9,800.00 and architectural design at $37,965.20. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Consideration of the award of a bid for the Dorr Road Water and Sewer improvement project as recommended by Tetra Tech.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Combs, to award the contract to Rothenberger Company, Inc. with a bid of $765,977.46. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Business:

Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve for payment vouchers totaling $427,564.43 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Smith, to approve the Minutes of the Sept. 4, 2001 Regular Meeting with typographical corrections. The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Smith, request Heikkenen to file suite against the homeowners of the home on Chilson Road that was burned and abandoned. The house was torn down but the basement needs to be filled in. The motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting of the board was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus  
Genoa Township Clerk

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