Trustee Todd Smith called the meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m. in place of Gary McCririe. The Pledge of Allegiance was then said. The following persons were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Todd Smith, Jean Ledford, Steve Wildman and Jim Mortensen. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal and approximately twenty persons in the audience.

A Call to the Public was made with no response.

Approval of Consent Agenda:
Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve all items listed under the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills

2. Request to approve minutes: 8-4-08

3. Request to authorize a publication and set public hearing for September 2, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. for an update to the Genoa Charter Township Zoning Map by changing the current zoning of 34 parcels, petitioned by Genoa Charter Township.

4. Request to authorize a publication and set public hearing for September 2, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. for a request to rezone parcels 11-28-400-004 and 11-28-400-003 from MUPUD to LRR, petitioned by Genoa Charter Township.

5. Consideration of a request for approval of the Assessor’s affidavit of the 2008 Millage levies for Genoa Charter Township, establishing the Millage levy at 0.8146 as request by Debra Rojewski.

Approval of Regular Agenda:
Moved by Hunt, supported by Mortensen, to approve for action all items listed under the regular agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Public Hearing on the Round Lake Special Assessment District for Aquatic Weed Control.

Mr. Jeff Geist, representing Round Lake Homeowners, addressed the board. Geist – A recent survey of the lake determined that Round Lake does not require sonar or chemical
treatment for control of Eurasian Water milfoil. The D.E.Q. restricts the application of Fluridone to lakes heavily enveloped with Eurasian Milfoil. The study concluded that harvesting is the best treatment for Round Lake with a spot application of Fluridone where Eurasian Milfoil is present.

A. Call to property owners.
A call to property owners was made with residents responding that they would like to go forward with the project. A letter of objection was received from Edna Nagy siting a financial hardship.

B. Call to the public.
A call to the public was made with no response.

7. Request for approval of Resolution No. 2 (approving the project, cost estimates, special assessment district and causing the special assessment roll to be prepared) for the Round Lake Aquatic Weed Control Project.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Ledford, to table Resolution No. 2 for Round Lake until new bids are received with regard to the cost of harvesting. Further, to commence the process for aquatic weed control for Round Lake beginning with Resolution No. 1 and again setting two public hearings. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Request for approval of Resolution No. 3 (acknowledging the filing of the special assessment roll, scheduling the second hearing and directing the issuance of statutory notices) for the Round Lake Aquatic Weed Control Project.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Mortensen, to table Resolution No. 3 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Request for approval to transfer ownership of a 2008 Class C licensed business, located at 3950 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843, Genoa Charter Township, Livingston County, from the Sweet Onion, Inc. to Fast Casual, LLC.

Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve the transfer of the Class C license as requested. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Hunt, Smith, Wildman, Mortensen and Skolarus. Nay – None. Absent – McCririe.

10. Request for approval for of a Resolution from the Livingston County Drain Commissioner to spend funds in excess of the yearly-allotted maintenance amount to make necessary repairs to the Genoa No. 1 Drain.

Mr. Kenneth Recker, Chief Deputy Drain Commissioner, addressed the board concerning Genoa No. 1 Drain. Recker – The drain was established in 1885 and was cleaned out in 1888 at a cost of $672.00. Obstructions were excavated both north and south of Pardee Road in 2001 and 2005. The profile of the drain today indicates that the drain has silted in. The budget for excavation is estimated to be $37,600, with the Township portion
tentatively estimated at $9,400.00. Moved by Mortensen, supported by Ledford, to approve the resolution as requested. The motion carried unanimously with McCririe absent. The resolution was then executed by all board members present.


Moved by Hunt, supported by Ledford, to approve the ordinance with the official dates of Sept. 17, 2008 for the mapping. The motion carried unanimously.

A request for a special assessment district for the installation of natural gas was discussed by the board. It was the consensus of the board that this could not be accomplished under any existing public act as the lines and rights-of-way are owned by the gas company.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk

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