Skolarus called the special meeting of the Election Commission to order at 6:25 p.m. The following members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Paulette A. Skolarus, Steve Wildman and Jean Ledford.

Skolarus advised the Commission that the addendum was the same as approved two years ago, with minor changes as outlined in the document. All school districts within the township as well as the township board need to endorse this proposal for school elections to be held by the local clerks.

1. **Discussion of an addendum to the initial report allowing the Clerk to execute an agreement with Hartland Consolidated School District, Brighton Area Schools, Howell Public Schools, Pinckney Community Schools and Livingston Educational Service Agency that would allow Skolarus to conduct elections for the individual school districts, with three elections tentatively scheduled in 2009.**

   **A. Recommendation to the Township Board.**
   Moved by Wildman, supported by Ledford, to recommend to the township board approval of the addendum as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The special meeting of the Election Commission was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**JANUARY 20, 2009 (Tuesday)**

**MINUTES**

Supervisor McCririe called the regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was then said. The following persons were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Gary McCririe, Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Todd Smith, Jean Ledford, Steve Wildman and Jim Mortensen. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal and no persons in the audience.

A Call to the Public was made with no response.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**
Moved by Ledford, supported by Wildman, to approve all items listed under the consent agenda with the exception of the payment of bill. This item will be discussed under the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Request to approve minutes: 01-05-09

2. Request for approval to remove special assessments levied on the 2008 winter tax roll for parcel #4711-06-200-086 as requested by Township Treasurer.

3. Request for approval for LSL Planners to conduct an Advanced Zoning Board of Appeals Seminar at a cost not to exceed $1,000.

Approval of Regular Agenda:
Moved by Ledford, supported by Hunt, to approve for action all items listed under the regular agenda, adding the payment of bills. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Payment of Bills.
Moved by Ledford, supported by Mortensen, to approve the payment of bills as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Request for approval of articles for the February Township Newsletter.
Articles submitted for the Feb. newsletter were reviewed. It was the consensus of the board to have Archinal revise one of the articles and eliminate two others and have the treasurer make minor revisions to her submittal. Further upcoming newsletters will not be published on glossy paper and no more than three colors (in addition to black) will be used in the publication. No formal action was taken by the board.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Ledford, to approve the 2009 poverty exemption guidelines as requested by Township Assessor Debra Rojewski. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Consideration of a request from the Election Commission to allow the clerk to execute an agreement with the local school districts as recommended by the Election Commission.
Moved by Ledford, supported by Hunt, to approve the recommendation of the Election Commission and approve the execution of the agreements with the local school districts within the Township.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk

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