

**GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 18, 2009
6:30 P.M.**

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 six 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 as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills

2. Request to approve minutes: 5-4-09

3. Request for approval to accept Chris Grajek's resignation from the Planning Commission.

4. Request for approval to appoint John McManus to the Planning Commission to complete Chris Grajek's position until the term expires on June 30, 2010.

5. Request for approval to purchase a new truck for the Township.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Mortensen, supported by Smith, to approve for action all items listed under the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Request for approval of special use application, site plan and environmental impact assessment approval for a 21,000 square foot service center with 3 out-buildings 2 vehicle ports, 3,200 sq. ft. cold storage building and with outdoor storage of equipment and machinery, located on the west side of Grand Oaks Drive, south of Cleary Drive, Howell 48843, Sec. 5, petitioned by Consumers Energy.

A. Consideration for approval of special use application as recommended by the Planning Commission

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Ledford, to approve the special use application, subject to the following: That the storage of items higher than the 6' fence line will be confined to the rear portion of the property, preferably behind the cold storage building

and will be limited to gas pipes. This recommendation is made because the proposal is consistent with section 19.03 of the township ordinance regarding special uses. It is also consistent with the industrial zoning of the property and also provides a needed service to the public. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider approval of environmental impact assessment as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Moved by Hunt, supported by Ledford, to approve the Environmental Impact Assessment with attachments A, B & C. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Consider approval of site plan as recommended by the Planning Commission

Moved by Smith, supported by Wildman, to approve the site plan subject to the following:

1. The rendering and samples will become Township property following the Board meeting.
2. A combination of evergreen and deciduous trees shall be provided along the north property line as determined by staff sufficient to screen views of the rear overhead doors on the building from the adjacent parking lot
3. A combination of evergreen and deciduous trees in a number as determined by staff shall be provided to the east of the outdoor storage area to screen any views from Grand Oaks;
4. The requirements spelled out by the Township Engineer in her letter of May 5, 2009 will be complied with; and
 - A. Particular attention should be paid to item three in the letter regarding the new drainage easement being recorded prior to the land use permit being issued;
 - B. Approval by the Road Commission will be required;
5. Dust control measures will be added to the site plan.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Request for approval of a fire works display on Big Crooked Lake, July 4th, 2009 by Pepper Bergin with the display being launched from the neighboring property owned by Rick Fischer (3751 Highcrest).

Moved by Smith, supported by Wildman, to approve the fire works display as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Request for approval of an amendment to the Genoa Charter Township Depository Resolution and receive the Treasurer's report regarding investments.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Wildman, to approve the amendment as requested by Hunt and receive the investment report. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Request for approval of Resolution No. 1 (to proceed with the project and direct the preparation of plans and cost estimates) for Fendt Road Improvement Project.

Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to approve Resolution No. 1 as requested, amending the resolution, Exhibit B to make reference to the winter tax roll instead of this summer. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None.

10. Request for approval of Resolution No. 2 (to approve the project, schedule the first hearing and direct the issuance of statutory notices) for Fendt Road Improvement Project.

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Smith, to approve Resolution No. 1 as requested. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None.

11. Request for approval for resolution adopting the Articles of Incorporation of the Southeastern Livingston County Recreation Authority (SEL CRA).

Moved by Skolarus, supported by Hunt, to table the resolution until Archinal can review the possibility of having Ledford be an “at large” person on the authority. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Request for approval of a resolution authorizing execution for the Water Tower Lease Agreement in regards to the Oak Pointe Water Tower.

Moved by Smith, supported by Mortensen, to table the resolution to allow negotiation of page 1, item 1 concerning the right to terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

Moody’s Investors Service affirmed an A3 rating on Genoa Township’s General Obligation Limited Tax Debt. This rating reflects a sound General Fund balance and favorable debt profile.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Charter Township Clerk

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