

GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD

Public Hearing and Regular Meeting

July 16, 2012

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, Steve Wildman, Jim Mortensen, Todd Smith and Jean Ledford. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal; Township Attorney Frank Mancuso and seven persons in the audience.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Bill Taylor of Mystic Subdivision – The cost to repair four subdivisions in my area is excessive and I am not sure that the five year repayment plan would be affordable to some of our residents. McCririe – We could look at a bond for that work as well as Red Oaks of Chemung. Skolarus – That would increase the cost and also add interest to the project but would be workable if we did the two projects at the same time.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Ledford to approve all items listed under the Consent Agenda as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Payment of Bills.

2. Request to approve minutes: June 18, 2012

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Ledford and supported by Wildman to approve for action all items listed under the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Request for approval of appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission.

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Smith to approve the following appointments with terms expiring 06/30/2015: Barbara Figurski to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission; Marianne McCreary to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Doug Brown to the Planning Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Call to the public regarding Glenway Drive Road Special Assessment Project.

A call to the property owners and the public was made with the following response: Diane Amato – Is there something that can be done in case of hardship. McCririe – Hardship cases may file for a deferral until such time as your home is sold. There is no additional interest charged. Paul Thielking – Some areas are critical for repair. Archinal – This should be a 20 year fix.

5. Request for approval of Resolution #5 (Confirming the Special Assessment Roll) for Glen-Way Road Improvements 2012.

Moved by Smith and supported by Ledford to approve Resolution 5 as submitted. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None. Absent – None.

6. Consider approval of a Resolution authorizing the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to execute an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the construction of the Latson Road Interchange and related non-motorized path.

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Hunt to approve the resolution authorizing execution of the agreement concerning the construction of the Latson Road Interchange and related non-motorized pathway adjacent to the interchange. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None. Absent – None.

7. Discussion regarding bonding for Subdivision Road Improvements.

Archinal – We have had several meeting with residents from Mystic Lake and Mountain subdivision with regard to road conditions. These roads are over 30 years old and design solutions are significant. The project includes 3.2 miles of road and a construction cost between \$960,000.00 and \$1,400,000.00. In addition we are in the petition phase of Red Oaks of Chemung with a construction cost of \$805,000.00. In the past we have funded these projects through our revolving fund. Given the scope of these two projects I am asking the board to consider the concept of going to the bond market to provide the up-front capital.

Mortensen – This is a big philosophical change for the township. We are very conservative. These are county roads. I would like an analysis of what support our neighboring townships are providing in their community. I would also like to know how much Livingston County spends in Genoa.

Skolarus – There is not another township in Livingston County that supports our residents with the reconstruction of our roads as we do in Genoa Township. The 25% of cost or \$1,000.00 per residence is unheard of.

McCririe – I would remind everyone that the Latson Road Interchange is costing the county multi-millions of dollars in support.

Archinal was asked to provide additional information to the board concerning interest rates, the cost of bonding and terms. Also to provide a cursory review of our neighboring communities with regard to their funding of local roads.

8. Introduction for Rezoning of 7777 Bendix from Medium Density Residential (MDR) to Office Service District (OSD) and authorization of issuance of statutory notice.

Moved by Smith and supported by Wildman authorize the issuance of statutory notices with regard to the Rezoning change as requested. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Wildman, Mortensen, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None. Absent – None.

The regular meeting and public hearing of the board was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk