

GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
Sept. 4, 2012
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Supervisor McCririe called the Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Genoa Charter Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was then said. The following persons were present for the transaction of business: Gary McCririe, Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Jim Mortensen, Jean Ledford and Todd Smith. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal; Township Attorney Frank Mancuso and approximately 30 persons in the audience.

Call to the Public was made with the following response: Linda Rowell – People would like minutes in the newspaper.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Ledford and supported by Mortensen to approve all items listed under the consent agenda moving the lease agreement and the Grand River sidewalk project to the regular agenda for discussion. The motion carried unanimously

1. Payment of Bills.

2. Request to approve minutes: August 20, 2012.

3. Request for approval to expand Township workspace to encompass two new workstations in the Utility Department and Clerk's office, for not to exceed a total of \$11,500.

4. Request for approval of a proposal from RS Engineering to provide parcel sketches and legal descriptions to be used for easement acquisition associated with the Nixon Road Non-Motorized Pathway Extension for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Smith and supported by Ledford to approve for action all items included in the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Public Hearing regarding Red Oaks Road Improvement Project.

Archinal – The total cost of this project is approximately \$800,000.00. The township general fund will pay 25% (\$200,000.00) and will spread the balance over ten years with 0% interest. The annual cost to property owners is expected to be approximately \$246.00. A call to property owners was made with the following response: Robert Capien – These are public roads and they are bad. They were destroyed by semi-truck access. Frank Melick – This project is just bad

timing considering the economy. Not all the roads need repair. Just repair what is needed. Janet Pettit – I am on a fixed income and have no money for additional taxes. My son lives next door and the culvert is rusted and needs to be replaced. McCririe – Repairs or replacement of culverts will be done if necessary. Mike McKnight – This is expensive. Some parts do not need to be fixed. Do only what is absolutely necessary. Did the township check to see that the signatures were legitimate? McCririe – Yes. Jeff Dhenens – I live on Sharpe Drive and the township did a great job on my road a couple years ago. I consider this a good project and residents will be pleased with the outcome.

A call to the public was made with no response.

6. Request for approval of Resolution #3 (Approving the Project, Cost Estimates, Special Assessment District and Causing the Special Assessment Roll to be Prepared) for the Red Oaks Road Special Assessment Project.

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Smith to approve Resolution No. 3 with typographical corrections to the resolution. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Skolarus and McCririe. Nay – Mortensen. Absent – Wildman. (Note: Mortensen asked that the board provide a source of funds for this project at the next meeting.)

7. Request for approval of Resolution #4 (Acknowledging the Filing of the Special Assessment Roll, Scheduling the Second Hearing, and Directing the Issuance of Statutory Notice) for the Red Oaks Road Special Assessment Project.

Moved by Smith and supported by Ledford to approve Resolution No. 4, correcting the resolution to provide for a winter tax collection date. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Smith, Hunt, Skolarus and McCririe. Nay – Mortensen. Absent – Wildman.

8. Request for approval of a special use application, impact assessment and site plan for proposed outdoor storage at the existing Industrial Resin Recycling Facility located at 1480 Grand Oaks, Howell, Sec. 8, petitioned by Industrial Resin Recycling Inc.

Moved by Ledford and supported by Mortensen to allow Smith (at his request) to abstain from discussion because of a previous business relationship with the petitioner. The motion carried unanimously.

McCririe and Hunt acknowledged that the site was much improved and commended the petitioner on the work that was done in the last few months.

Moved by Hunt and supported by Skolarus to approve the special land use permit with the following conditions:

1. Outdoor storage shall not exceed a height of 8' and shall not be taller than the landscaped screening.

2. The Special Use Permit shall allow only the outdoor storage of plastic automotive parts stored in plastic bins, truck trailers, and the accessory storage of propane for the equipment used at the facility.
3. All site improvements, except landscaping, shall be completed by November 15, 2012.
4. The landscaping shall be installed before June 15, 2013 and will be maintained in a healthy and thriving condition.
5. Compliance with the requirements of the Fire Department shall be maintained at all times.

The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Ledford to approve the impact assessment approved by the Planning Commission 08/13/2012. The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Hunt and supported by Skolarus to approve the site plan dated 08-24-10 as recommended by the Township Planner. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Discussion regarding the publication of minutes.

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Ledford to table until the next regular meeting of the board after additional data is received concerning circulation from the Livingston County Press. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Request to change authorization for additional easement document preparation for the Grand River Sidewalk Installation Project by Tetra Tech, Inc. in the amount of \$5,100.

Moved by Mortensen and supported by Ledford to authorize an additional \$5,100.00 for additional easement documentation related to the 2012 sidewalk preparation as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Consider approval of a residential lease agreement for 6522 Crooked Lake Road.

Moved by Ledford and supported by Smith to approve a month by month lease agreement as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

Leaf collection dates are Oct. 20, 2012 and Nov. 17, 2012 from 9:00 and until noon at the township hall.

The regular meeting and public hearing of the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Township Clerk