MINUTES

Clerk Skolarus 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: Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Linda Rowell, Jim Mortensen, Todd Smith and Jean Ledford. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal and five persons in the audience.

Skolarus asked that Trustee Smith be appointed to chair the meeting in lieu of Supervisor McCirie’s absence. Moved by Ledford and supported by Hunt to appoint Smith chairman of the regular meeting of the board.

A Call to the Public was made with the following response: Ron Jones – Please consider a 2nd call to the public, the letters from constituents should be read and do more research before moving forward with the request from Howell Parks and Recreation.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

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

1. Payment of Bills.

2. Request to approve minutes: Jan. 7, 2013
   Jan. 14, 2013

3. Request for approval of a resolution approving charitable gaming licenses as required by MCL.432.102 for Three Fires Elementary PTO of Howell.

4. Request to reaffirm the amended agreement with Brighton Area School, Howell Public Schools, Pinckney Community Schools, Hartland Consolidated Schools and LESA allowing the local clerk to conduct elections under the guidelines submitted and recommended by Township Clerk Skolarus.

5. Request for approval to enter into agreements to collect 2013 summer school property taxes with Hartland Consolidated Schools, Brighton Area Schools, Howell Public Schools and LESA as submitted by the Township Treasurer Hunt.
Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Mortensen to approve for action all items listed under the regular agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Receive presentation from SELCRA and direct staff regarding further action.

Derek Smith, the Director of SELCRA, addressed the board concerning possible membership in SELCRA. Smith – Genoa Township is taking the lead in recreation and I am here to advocate for support. Smith provided a brochure and update of the changes made since he assumed the position of director. In the 1970’s the schools passed a recreation and senior millage and those funds are being received by the schools. Genoa’s support is expected to be $27,899.00 or $34.00 per participants within the program.

The board raised concerns about a levy for the entire township by SELCRA when the township also supported Howell Area Parks and Recreation. Hunt expressed concern with possible debt that could be incurred by the authority. Skolarus asked if the Articles of Incorporation could be modified to specifically address precincts within the township. This action would agree with the articles adopted by Howell Area Parks and Recreation. SELCRA should also consider reimbursement to Genoa for the damage that was done to the soccer fields and Smith had no objection.

7. Review of questions related to membership in the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority.

Archinal was asked to provide and compare the by-laws of both organizations and provide a list of benefits and objections. The six concerns that were raised in Archinal’s memorandum of 01/18/2013 should also be addressed. That analysis would also include legacy costs and debt.

The regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Charter Township Clerk

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