

GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

March 18, 2013

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, Linda Rowell, Jim Mortensen, Todd Smith and Jean Ledford. Also present were Township Manager Michael Archinal and eleven persons in the audience.

A Call to the Public was made with the following response: Jim Delcamp – With regard to the Oak Pointe wastewater treatment plant, the plant is good for the next twenty (20) years, and no wastewater pipeline is needed. Mr. Delcamp provided the Board with correspondence he is distributing to affected homeowners should the bond proposal proceed based on his analysis.

Bruce Baker – Offered suggestions on proposed survey regarding the Latson Rd/I-96 Interchange.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Smith 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: March 4, 2013.

3. Request to receive the budgets for the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority 2013-2014. (noting that Fund 270 spending will be increased \$50,000 in FY2013 and decreased \$50,000 in FY2014).

Approval of Regular Agenda:

4. Request for approval of the General Fund Budget ending March 31, 2014:

(1) Call to the Public – No Response.

(2) Salaries of Elected Officials

Moved by Ledford, and supported by Rowell to approve a 3% salary increase for the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer effective 04-01-2013. The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Smith, and supported by Mortenson to approve a 3% salary increase for Township Board Trustees, to include Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeal appointees effective 04/01/2013. The motion carried unanimously.

(3) Staff Salaries

Moved by Smith, supported by Skolarus to approve a 3% salary increase for all Township staff effective 04/01/2013. The motion carried unanimously.

(4) Salaries for Assistant Township Manager, Assessors

Moved by Smith, and supported by Ledford to approve a 5% salary increase for the Assistant Township Manager and 3% salary increase for Assessors retroactive to 01/01/2013. The motion carried unanimously.

(5) Budget for General Fund for F/Y ending 03/31/2014

Moved by Smith, seconded by Mortenson to approve the Budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

(6) New Employee Pay Scale

Moved by Skolarus, and supported by Hunt to approve the Administrative Committee's recommendation to increase the starting pay scale rate as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Budget Approvals

Motioned by Ledford, and supported by Smith to approve the following Budgets as presented for the 2014 fiscal year: Liquor Law (212), Road Improvement (261), Road Lake Reimbursement (264), Building Reserve (271), SELCRA Reimbursement (505) and to amend the 2013-2014 Future Development Parks and Rec (270) as discussed. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Debt Service Fund Budgets

Motioned by Mortenson, and supported by Skolarus to approve the Debt Service Fund Budgets for fiscal year ending 03/31/2014 as presented by Treasurer Hunt. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Spring 2013 Newsletter Discussion

Discussion ensued adding an additional category in the newsletter addressing Mixed Use Office Service Districts. It was the consensus of the Township Board to proceed with the publication of the Township Newsletter for April 2013.

8. Review/Approval for Zoning Official job description and position

Motioned by Mortenson, and supported by Rowell to approve the Zoning Official Job Description and Position as presented by Township Manager Archinal. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Closed Session

Moved by Ledford, and supported by Smith to adjourn to a closed session of the Board at 7:43 p.m. to discuss the purchase of real property for which a purchase agreement has not been executed, pursuant to Section 8(e) of the 1976 Open Meetings Act. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Ledford, Hunt, Rowell, Mortenson, Smith, Skolarus and McCririe. Nays – None.

The closed session was adjourned and the regular meeting was re-opened at 8:00 p.m.

Correspondence

The board discussed the email correspondence received from the Pine Creek Ridge Homeowner’s Association.

Member Discussion

There was general discussion regarding the road privatization request from Pine Creek homeowners. An invitation will be extended to the City of Brighton and Hamburg Township to attend the April 1, 2013 Township Board Meeting. A review of the legal process needed to accomplish privatization will be provided...

A history of the Pine Creek Subdivision Planning Commission and Township Board will be assembled including traffic studies.

Adjournment

The regular meeting the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus
Genoa Charter Township Clerk

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