

GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting
Dec. 4, 2017

MINUTES

Supervisor Rogers called the regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Bill Rogers, Paulette Skolarus, Robin Hunt, Jim Mortensen, Terry Croft, Diana Lowe and Jean Ledford. Also present were Township Manager, Michael Archinal and one person in the audience.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Fred Oglan introduced himself as a new resident of Northshore in Genoa Township. This was the first meeting he attended.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Moved by Lowe 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 of 11/20/2017.

3. Consider approval of a request from ACE Pyrotechnics for a fireworks permit for New Year's Eve at Mt. Brighton.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Ledford and supported by Croft to approve for action all items listed under the Regular Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Request for approval of a Resolution establishing guidelines for poverty exemptions as requested by the Township Assessor Rojewski

Moved by Lowe and supported by Hunt to approve the guidelines for the 2018 tax year. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Mortensen, Skolarus and Rogers. Nays – None.

5. Discussion regarding 2018 Grand River sidewalk project.

Township Manager Archinal provided an overview of the Grand River Sidewalk project. This last phase, from Hughes to Kellogg, will begin during the spring /summer of 2018 and include a board walk between Bordines Nursery and Cortland Condos. This will provide a walkable community all along Grand River in the Township. Existing Federal guidelines require an eight-foot sidewalk to be eligible for funding. Croft will seek assistance from SEMCOG to ease the restriction related to applications for such funding.

6. Request for approval of a design services contract with Tetra Tech for sidewalk installation on the north side of Grand River from Hughes to Kellogg in the amount of \$13,750.

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Mortensen to approve the contract. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Discussion and possible action regarding the addition of Veteran's Day to the Township holiday schedule.

Mortensen advised the board that he was supportive of the Veteran's Day holiday but did not feel that moving from 13 to 14 holidays was justified. Moved by Skolarus and supported by Hunt to approve Veteran's Day as an additional Township holiday. The motion carried as follows: Ayes – Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Skolarus and Rogers. Nay – Mortensen

The Regular Meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus, Clerk
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