

## GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD

### Regular Meeting

January 7, 2019

### 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 five persons in the audience.

A Call to the Public was made with the following response: Dewey Thomas –I am here regarding the marijuana issue that is before the board this evening. There are many benefits to allowing this within the township. Before you make a final decision, please allow a group of people to address this board and answer any concerns you may have. Rogers – Perhaps we could allow the use of the Township Hall for an informational meeting to address your position. This would not be a township board meeting where action of the board is considered but merely a public forum at your discretion.

#### Approval of Consent Agenda:

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

#### **1. Payment of Bills.**

#### **2. Request to Approve Minutes: December 17, 2018**

#### Approval of Regular Agenda:

Moved by Skolarus and supported by Croft to approve the Regular Agenda with the addition of a request by Sandra Blake to re-consider a request for a Class C Liquor license for Mexicali Allies, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company to be located at the Newtowne Center 2608 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843. The amended agenda was voted and carried unanimously.

#### **3. Second reading and adoption of an ordinance declining authorization of medical marijuana facilities and prohibiting all marijuana establishments within the Township pursuant to the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act of 2018.**

Moved by Ledford and supported by Mortensen to approve Resolution No. 190107-A, declining authorization of medical marijuana facilities and prohibiting all marijuana establishments within the township as requested. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Mortensen, Skolarus and Rogers. Nays – None. Absent – None.

#### **4. Request for approval of Resolution No. 190107-B authorizing the Livingston County Drain Commissioner to expend money for the interim maintenance and repair of the Genoa/Oceola Drain in excess of \$5,000.00 per mile.**

Moved by Lowe and supported by Skolarus to approve Resolution No. 190107-B, authorizing the L.C.D.C to expend money in excess of \$5,000.00 per mile as requested. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Mortensen, Skolarus and Rogers. Nays – None. Absent – None.

#### **5. Consider approval of a proposal from Tetra Tech for survey and design services for Grand River Sidewalk Phase 5 in the amount of \$16,000.**

Archinal – Trustee Croft is working with SEMCOG to obtain grant funding for the last sidewalk project along Grand River. My office will make sure that the necessary easements are acquired. We have until Feb. 2, 2019 to complete the application. Moved by Hunt and supported by Ledford to approve \$16,000.00 for design services as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

**6. Discussion regarding every other week recycling.**

Archinal – We are in the third month of our refuse/recycling service with Advanced Disposal. Our office has been inundated with complaints related to every other week recycling. It is estimated that changing the service to weekly pickup will increase our contract by approximately \$36,000.00 each year. My office is looking for direction from this board. Mortensen – I understand that the prior supplier would take all recycling. We need a clear understanding of what the hauler is going to do if we make this change. Archinal – The new automation limits the recycling to what is in the container. Jacqueline Brown – Last Friday was refuse pickup on my street. No truck came last week to my street. I should not have to call Advanced to remind them to pick up my garbage. I don't want my recycling to go into the garbage when I make an effort to recycle. Lowe – I have noticed that a lot of people are not placing the carts correctly at the curb. Rogers – We have attempted to put the information out there. It is on our website and we have mailed two notices. Hunt – Should Advanced Disposal agree with the changes we are requesting, it will still take four to six months to implement the service. Bill Rockwell – I am very happy with the present system. We are the other extreme. If some households want additional service then they should pay. I am being punished with the additional cost that I don't need. Archinal – We are the only township in the county that provides Township wide service. Other communities around us allow their residents to contract individually at a much greater expense. We felt that the 64 gallon containers would be more than adequate considering that we previously provided an 18 gallon bin. No further action was taken by the board. Archinal will address concerns with Advanced and obtain a proposal cost for weekly recycling.

**7. Consider a request for a Class C Liquor license for Mexicali Allies, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company to be located at the Newtowne Center 2608 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843 by Sandra Blake.**

Moved by Lowe and supported by Mortensen to re-approve the Class C Liquor license for Mexicali Allies as requested. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Mortensen, Skolarus and Rogers. Nays – None. Absent – None.

Skolarus provided a first draft of budgets for township funds to be considered at the next regular meeting of the board scheduled for Feb. 4, 2019.

Moved by Croft and supported by Ledford to adjourn the regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board at 7:30 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus, Clerk  
Genoa Charter Township Board.