GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting
February 4, 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 seven persons in the audience.

A Call to the Public was made with the following response: Dan Wholihan – With regard to recycling, I think the current system is an improvement over the previous hauler and the recycling program is great.

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: January 7, 2019

3. Request for approval of a proposal from K&J Electric Supply for the purchase and installation of new lighting fixtures at a cost not to exceed $3,540.00.

4. Request for approval a proposal from Capital Security Lock for the purchase of an electronic employee entrance system at a cost not to exceed $1,981.50.

Approval of Regular Agenda:

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

5. Request to a resolution to permit letter appeals to the Board of Review for Real and Personal Property at the recommendation of the Assessor.

Moved by Lowe and supported by Hunt to approve Resolution 190204A to permit letter appeals to the Board of Review as recommended by the Township Assessor. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Mortensen, Skolarus and Rogers. Nays – None. Absent – None.

6. First review of budgets provided at the Jan. 7 Board meeting for the Fiscal Year beginning April 1, 2019 and ending March 31, 2020.

Budgets were reviewed by the board with recommendations and minor changes. A 2% salary increase was considered for all departments. No further action was taken.

7. Request for approval of a Resolution to the Michigan Department of Transportation Alternatives Program for funding development of Grand River Sidewalk program Phase 7.
Moved by Lowe and supported by Mortensen to approve Resolution No. 190204B for funding a sidewalk program along Grand River with township financial support of 40% of the cost. The motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Ledford, Croft, Hunt, Lowe, Mortensen, Skolarus and Rogers. Nays – None. Absent – None.

8. Discussion regarding every other week recycling.

Archinal – The Township decided to re-bid our refuse and recycling program last summer after hearing many complaints from our residents. It was the decision of this board to contract with Advanced Disposal Services. With the new contract recycling was offered and increased from an 18 gallon open bin every week to a 64 gallon recycling container and at the same time collect recycling every other week. After receiving complaints from residents who wanted every week recycling we contacted Advanced and asked for a cost. It was originally thought that the cost would be about $37,000.00 but when the final cost was determined it was in excess of $185,000.00. My office researched other possible programs. Residents could contract for an additional cart at $5.00 a month or change their 64 gallon cart to a 96 gallon cart for an additional $2.50 a month plus a delivery fee of $25.00. Recycle Livingston has a program in place that may be used by all township residents. The Board is also considering quarterly recycling of cardboard at the township hall.

A call to the public was made with residents complaining of the service provided by Advanced. Calls for service are not returned, 25 minute wait times for service problems, the recycle bins are too small, misinformation from the provider regarding snow day service.

Archinal will bring these concerns to Advanced for possible solutions.

Moved by Hunt and supported by Mortensen to adjourn the regular meeting of the Genoa Charter Township Board at 7:48 p.m.

Paulette A. Skolarus, Clerk
Genoa Charter Township Board