### GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD Regular Meeting and Public Hearing January 6, 2020

#### **MINUTES**

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

Before the meeting began District Judge Daniel Bain from the Livingston County 53<sup>rd</sup> District Court introduced himself to the board. Judge Bain worked in criminal defense and regularly visits our local school about drugs and alcohol.

A Call to the Public was made with no response.

### **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: December 10, 2019 and December 16, 2019

## **Approval of Regular Agenda:**

Moved by Lowe and supported by Hunt to approve for action all items listed under the Regular Agenda with the addition of Item 6 Request to consider approval and authorization of a letter from Dykema Gossett to the City of Howell Board of Zoning Appeals. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Presentation by Ken Palka to make changes the Township's State Chart of Accounts at a cost of \$14,700.00 to comply with the State of Michigan's request for consistency within local governments.

Township Auditor Ken Palka addressed the board concerning the unfunded mandate by the State of Michigan. Moved by Skolarus and supported by Hunt

to approve the request from Township Auditor Ken Palka. The motion carried unanimously.

# 4. Request to appoint Craig Fons as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Moved by Lowe and supported by Mortensen to appoint Craig Fons as alternate to the ZBA with a three-year term expiring 06/30/2022.

### 5. Discussion regarding projects for FY 2020/2021.

Archinal presented the board with projects for the 20/21 budget year and asked for the board's consideration of a Master Plan with Market analysis, road projects, drainage issues, zoning amendments and park expansion. No action was taken by the board other than discussion.

# 6. Request to consider approval and authorization of a letter from Dykema Gossett to the City of Howell Board of Zoning Appeals.

Moved by Hunt and supported by Lowe to approve and authorize a letter from Dykema Gossett dated Jan. 6, 2020 regarding a new scrap processing facility request for 645 Lucy Road, Howell, MI - noting the following deficiencies:

- A disregard for issues raised by Township Manager Michael Archinal at the public hearing in the City of Howell
- Non-compliance with the City of Howell's Master Plan
- Incompatibility with the neighboring properties
- No finding of fact
- No traffic study
- Truck traffic routed through Genoa Township
- Poor condition of Lucy Road
- Inconsistency with the 425 agreement
- Bordering incompatible uses
- Lack of water and sewer

The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Member Discussion:**

- Item 6 will be added to the original packet and agenda for this evening's meeting
- Packets related to the August Primary and candidate filings will be available to the board
- MTA conference is scheduled for April 27 thru April 30<sup>th</sup>

Moved by Lowe and supported by Mortensen to adjourn at 7:45.

Paulette A. Skolarus, Clerk Genoa Charter Township