

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FILER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Filer Township Hall
2505 Filer City Rd.
Manistee, Michigan 49660
Tuesday, January 7, 2014

Present: Dean Kruse, Dale Kolanowski, Shirley Ball, Terry Walker, Tom Chycinski, Ed Williams and Ruth Skiera.

Absent: None

Also Present: Richard Wilson, Township Attorney

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Walker at 6:01 p.m.

Motion by Chycinski, seconded by Williams to approve the Meeting Agenda with the following additions under "New Business" - Item "C" "Consideration of hiring a Downtown Development Authority Executive Director for a period of six months at a rate of \$25.00/Hour" and Item "D" "Public Educational Governmental Commission appointment application". All in favor. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Skiera to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. All in favor. M/C

Public Comment

- Please clarify the last addition under "New Business".

Department and Committee Reports

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Kolanowski to approve the purchase of 30 Neptune ProRead Touch Pad Water Meters at a cost of \$107.00/each, plus one Neptune Pocket ProReader at a cost of \$750.00 as proposed on 11-26-13 Michigan Meter Technology Group, Inc. quote. Total cost: \$3,906.00 plus shipping. Roll call vote: Ball-yes, Walker-yes, Kolanowski-yes, Skiera-yes, Chycinski-yes, Williams-yes, Kruse-yes. 7 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Public Hearing

The Supervisor declared the Public Hearing on Resolution of Intent to Establish a Special Assessment Improvement of Hemker Lane by the Charter Township of Filer open at 6:19 p.m.

One written comment from resident Joe Sadowski of 2814 Hemker Lane was received. Mr. Sadowski also voiced verbal opposition to the project citing concerns about the quality of the project.

Hemker Lane resident, Pete Ramon felt the project is viable and is something all other concerned parties could afford with the help of a special assessment district.

The Manistee County Road Commission Manager was asked to look at Hemker Lane when weather permits and give an opinion on the grade of the hill and overall condition of the road bed.

It was noted that a lien would be placed on all properties concerned and the exact cost of the project would not be known until the special assessment process proceeds to the second public hearing.

The Supervisor declared the hearing closed at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to table the Hemker Lane Special Assessment request until the February meeting. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Walker, seconded by Kruse to approve the presented quote from Feliczak Electric for replacement of outside fixtures at the Fire Station with the materials to cost \$2,407.00 and labor cost of \$280.00. Roll call vote: Chycinski-yes, Ball-yes, Kruse-yes, Walker-yes, Kolanowski-yes, Williams-yes, Skiera-yes. 7 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Kolanowski to add Brandon Shannon currently taking Fire Fighter I and II classes, Lori Lindeman, Medical First Responder, Wayne Lindeman, Medical First Responder and Matt Flaughter, Emergency Medical Technician to the fire Department roster, subject to acceptable physicals and background checks. All in favor. M/C

Special Presentation

Manistee County Road Commission Manager Mark Sohlden presented the Board with a Distribution Report showing primary and local road maintenance expenditures in Filer Township during their fiscal year of 2013 and discussed county wide projects for this summer.

Unfinished Business

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Skiera to adopt an ordinance to add Chapter 54 to the Charter Township of Filer Code of Ordinances; to prohibit the ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks within the Township except on certain days; to provide for penalties for violation hereof; and to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith. Roll call vote: Ball-yes, Chycinski-yes, Kolanowski-yes, Kruse-yes, Walker-yes, Williams-yes, Skiera-yes. 7 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

New Business

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to approve the 2013/2014 MAPS Intergovernmental Community Pool Agreement at an annual rate of \$13,950.00, payable in four installments. Roll call vote: Skiera-yes, Williams-yes, Kolanowski-yes, Walker-yes, Chycinski-yes, Kruse-yes, Ball-yes. 7 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Williams, seconded by Skiera to approve the request from Linda DeVries to hold additional Jazzercise classes at the Filer Township Rec Center on Monday & Wednesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at a reduced rental rate of \$6.25 for the period ending May 31, 2014. Roll call vote: Williams-yes, Skiera-yes, Chycinski-yes, Ball-yes, Walker-yes, Kruse-yes, Kolanowski-yes. 7 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Walker, seconded by Williams to hire Tamara Buswinka, LLC as Downtown Development Executive Director for a six month period not to exceed 60 hours per month at a rate of \$25.00/hour and authorize the Township Attorney to create the contract and the Supervisor to sign. Roll call vote: Chycinski-yes, Williams-yes, Walker-yes, Kruse-yes, Kolanowski-yes, Ball-yes, Skiera-yes. 7 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kolanowski, seconded by Skiera to appoint Dean Kruse to the Public Educational and Government Commission for the unexpired term ending December 31, 2016. All in favor. M/C

Public Comment

- None offered at this time.

Motion by Walker, seconded by Skiera to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. M/C

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted,

Shirley Ball, CMC
Charter Township of Filer Clerk