

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FILER  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Filer Township Hall  
2505 Filer City Rd.  
Manistee, Michigan 49660  
March 3, 2015

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

Absent: Dale Kolanowski

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Walker at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Chycinski, seconded by Skiera to approve the meeting agenda with the addition of Item K. under "New Business". "K. Consideration of approval of the presented Amendment to the Assessor Employment Agreement between Barbara C. Eaton and the Charter Township of Filer effective April 1, 2015 through May 31, 2015." All in favor. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Williams to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition of Item "L . Approval for Board Members, Planning Commission Members and Zoning Administrator to attend "Placemaking Strategy Development Workshop: From Planning to Action" offered at no charge by MSU Extension & MIplace at West Shore Medical Education Center, Manistee, on April 17, 2015. All in favor. M/C

Public Comment

- Are the cemetery flags made in America.
- How are direct deposit amounts for payroll taxes shown to the Township Board.
- Treasurer's Report should be more detailed.
- Does the Recreation Plan for the County have anything to do with the Lakes to Land Initiative.

Department and Committee Reports

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Walker to add Chris Coady as Firefighter I to the Fire Department Roster subject to satisfactory background check and physical. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Williams to approve the wage increase for Lynn Kooyers of .40 cents per/hour effective March 1, 2015. Roll call vote: Ball-yes, Walker-yes, Williams-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Chycinski-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to reaffirm the Ad Hoc Sewer Committee's motion to not reopen waste water treatment negotiations with the City of Manistee. Roll call vote: Chycinski-yes, Kruse-yes, Williams-yes, Ball-yes, Skiera-yes, Walker-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Chycinski, seconded by Williams to send out a letter with meeting minutes attached, to the City of Manistee stating the Township's intention to stop waste water treatment negotiations with the City. All in favor. M/C

### Communications

March 3, 2015 letter received from the Pine Ridge Owners Association was discussed regarding Phase I of the sewer system and their desire to not be included.

### New Business

Motion by Skiera, seconded by Williams to approve the presented a request for financial support from the Manistee Conservation District, in the amount of \$745.00 for the Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Collection Day, to take place in Manistee County on Saturday August 15, 2015.

Roll call vote: Ball-yes, Walker-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Williams-yes, Chycinski-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Skiera to approve the presented Fiscal Year 2016 Budget, as discussed at the Budget Hearing held on February 3, 2015, and appropriate the millage for the purpose of 1.39555 township operating, 1.00000 refuse (garbage), .5000 fire and rescue and .5000 fire bond.

Roll call vote: Kruse-yes, Walker-yes, Chycinski-yes, Williams-yes, Ball-yes, Skiera-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Walker, seconded by Williams to approve the presented Wages/Salaries/Charges & Fees Resolution for 2015/2016 after changing Fire Chief pay to \$4,200/year and Assistant Fire Chief pay to \$1,860.00 per year. Roll call vote: Skiera-yes, Walker-yes, Ball-yes, Kruse-yes, Chycinski-yes, Williams-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to approve the Downtown Development Authority Budget for Fiscal Year 2016 as presented. Roll call vote: Williams-yes, Chycinski-yes, Walker-yes, Ball-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Skiera to advertise for bids for the annual spring brush pick-up. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Skiera to approve the presented Resolution Supporting the Development of the Manistee County-Wide Park and Recreation Plan. Roll call vote: Ball-yes, Walker-yes, Williams-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Chycinski-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Walker, seconded by Kruse to approve a request for annual support from the Manistee Recreation Association in the annual amount of \$11,000.00 to be paid quarterly for a contract term of April 2015 through March 2016. Roll call vote: Chycinski-yes, Kruse-yes, Williams-yes, Ball-yes, Skiera-yes, Walker-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Skiera, seconded by Kruse to approve the purchase of a HP 350 G1 laptop computer from Jackpine at a cost of \$479.99 to be used for elections. Roll call vote: Ball-yes, Walker-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Williams-yes, Chycinski-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to approve the contract extension between Barbara Eaton and Filer Township for assessing services through May 31, 2015. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Williams to allow the Treasurer and Clerk to sign the presented Certification of Authorization from West Shore Bank for the Downtown Development Authority. Roll call vote: Kruse-yes, Walker-yes, Chycinski-yes, Williams-yes, Ball-yes, Skiera-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Public Comment

- How will the sewer project be funded.
- How will the people now on the City sewer be handled.
- When will the Board of Review meet.
- July 22, 2014 Board of Review has two sets of minutes.

Motion by Chycinski, seconded by Kruse to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. M/C

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted,

Shirley Ball, CMC  
Charter Township of Filer Clerk