

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FILER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Filer Township Hall
2505 Filer City Rd.
Manistee, Michigan 49660
March 1, 2016

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

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 as presented. All in favor.
M/C

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

Special Presentations

Little Manistee Watershed Conservation Council Representative presented the Little Manistee River Watershed Management Plan and requested that Filer Township join in with a Partnership Agreement at a level deemed appropriate by the Township after study of the above plan.

Kathy Gutowski of the Filer Township Fire Department Auxiliary gave the Township Board an update stating they now have the necessary Internal Revenue Designation and spoke about the upcoming Quarter Paddle and Chinese Auction fundraiser to be held on March 12th.

Public Comment

None offered at this time.

Department and Committee Reports

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to approve a wage increase of .20 cents per hour effective March 1, 2016 for Lynn Kooyers. New rate will be \$20.45 per/hour. Roll call vote: Chycinski-yes, Skiera-yes, Ball-yes, Kruse-yes, Walker-yes, Williams-yes. 6 yeas, 0 yeas. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Williams to approve the Personnel Committee's recommendation to accept the presented Great Lakes Assessing proposal extending their contract for a 4 year period ending March 31, 2020 at an annual cost of \$32,000.00/year. Roll call vote: Ball-yes, Skiera-yes, Williams-yes, Kruse-yes, Chycinski, Walker-yes. 6 yeas, 0 yeas. M/C

New Business

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Williams to approve a request for annual support from the Manistee Recreation Association in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be paid in quarterly payments, for recreational services offered to Township residents. Roll call vote: Chycinski-yes, Ball-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Williams-yes, Walker-yes. 6 yeas, 0 yeas. M/C

Motion by Skiera, seconded by Kruse to approve the presented Wages/Salaries/Charges & Fees Resolution for Fiscal Year 2017. Roll call vote: Walker-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Ball-yes, Williams-yes, Chycinski. 6 yeas, 0 yeas. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to approve the presented Fiscal Year 2017 Budget, as discussed at the Budget Hearing held on February 2, 2016, and appropriate the millage for the purpose of 1.39555 township operating, 1.00000 refuse (garbage), .5000 fire and rescue and a .5000 fire bond. Roll call vote: Williams-yes, Skiera-yes, Walker-yes, Chycinski-yes, Kruse-yes, Ball-yes. 6 yeas, 0 yeas. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Skiera to approve the presented Downtown Development Authority Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 and appropriate the captured millage for Downtown Development Authority projects. Roll call vote: Chycinski-yes, Walker-yes, Ball-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Williams-yes. 6 yeas, 0 yeas. M/C

Motion by Walker, seconded by Skiera to advertise in the local newspaper for a May brush pick-up. All in Favor. M/C

Motion by Kruse, seconded by Chycinski to approve an annual amount of \$5,200.00 for the Public Educational and Government Channel as payment for monthly taping services of the Township Board meetings for fiscal year 2017. Roll call vote: Walker-yes, Kruse-yes, Skiera-yes, Ball-yes, Williams-yes, Chycinski-yes. 6 yeas, 0 yeas. M/C

Public Comment

- Question if the Downtown Development Authority and Township Board held a joint meeting on February 10th and whether or not the Sewer Contract between the Township and City of Manistee has been signed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted,

Shirley Ball, CMC
Charter Township of Filer Clerk