

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FILER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Filer Township Hall
2505 Filer City Road
Manistee, Michigan 49660
APRIL 4, 2017

Present: Dean Kruse, Brian Krus, Tom Stege, Shirley Ball, Kathy Gutowski, Terry Walker

Absent: Dale Kolanowski

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

Motion by Kruse, Seconded by Ball to approve the Meeting Agenda as presented. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Ball, Seconded by Krus to approve the Meeting Consent Agenda adding Item "G" – Approval for Manistee Lions Club to hold annual White Cane Sale on May 12, 2017 at various locations in the Township. All in favor. M/C

Communications and Announcements:

Add item "F" – Autumn olive management newspaper article.

Public Comment: - None

Special Presentation:

Mr. Vee Spikes, Real Estate Specialist from the United States Postal Service gave a presentation on reestablishing the Post Office in Filer City. They are looking for a piece of property at least ½ acre and will sign a 10 year ground lease agreement. Their plans are to put a 770 sq. ft. modular building on the property. The office will be a retail office – could not say whether or not Post Offices Boxes would be located in the building. It was suggested that they contact Larry Thompson on zoning requirements.

Department and Committee Reports:

Fire Chief Espvik stated that he would be coming to the Board for approval to enroll a Fire Fighter in the driving course either in Benzie or Ludington. Approximate cost will be \$270.00 plus expenses.

Motion by Krus, Seconded by Kruse to authorize the Fire Department to fill above ground pools for Filer Residents. Records will be kept on amount of water used and will be billed to the Fire Department Auxiliary quarterly. All in favor. M/C

New Business:

Motion by Gutowski, Seconded by Ball to award the Annual Brush Collection Bid as presented to Carl's Excavating. Roll Call Vote: Ball-yes; Gutowski-yes, Stege-yes, Walker-yes, Krus-yes; Kruse-yes. 6 years, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Stege, Seconded by Walker to approve the advertisement for a May brush pick-up in the local newspaper. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Ball, Seconded by Kruse to approve the presented bid from Mr. Natural dated 3-16-17, in the amount of \$5,118.00, to refinish and repair the hardwood floors at the Nelson Street Office. Roll Call Vote: Gutowski-yes; Walker-yes; Ball-yes; Stege-yes; Krus-yes; Kruse-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Krus, Seconded by Gutowski to approve the Planning Commission's request for the Township Board to hire a Sound Study company recommended by Wade-Trim to perform a baseline study at the T.E.S. Plant. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Stege, Seconded by Krus to approve final payment of \$1,100 to May Drywall for work already performed at the Nelson Street Office. Roll Call Vote: Krus-yes; Kruse-yes; Walker-yes; Stege-yes; Gutowski-yes; Ball-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Krus, Seconded by Walker to accept the Bid of \$2,700.00 from Jeff Pefley for finishing drywall work at the Nelson Street Office contingent on receiving liability insurance documentation. Roll Call Vote: Walker-yes; Krus-yes; Stege-yes; Gutowski-yes; Krus-yes; Ball-yes. 6 yeas, 0 nays. M/C

Motion by Kruse, Seconded by Gutowski to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. M/C
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted,

Kathy Gutowski
Charter Township of Filer Clerk