

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YORK BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2007**

Supervisor Zurawski called a Regular meeting of the Charter Township of York Board of Trustees to order at 7:33 p.m. on December 11, 2007 at the York Township Hall, 11560 Stony Creek Road, Milan, MI. He then led in the American Flag Pledge.

Roll Call of Board Members Present: Wayne Meier, John Bulmer, Jane Kartje, Sally Donahue, Joe Zurawski, Helen Neill. Absent: Mike Kipley.

Others present: Eleven, (*list on file*)

Short Public Comments: None.

Presentation of written petitions: None.

CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Moved by Kartje, Seconded by Meier to adopt the Consent Agenda as distributed and amended. Discussion: strike C11; add to C14, John Stanowski. Voice Vote: Aye: 6; Nay: 0; Absent: 1. Motion carried 6-0-1

- C 1 Approval, Board meeting minutes: Regular, November 13, 2007.
- C 2 Disbursements from Clerk, October 10-November 13, 2007, as amended. November 13, 2007 Board meeting.
- C 3 Approve Disbursements from Clerk: November 14-December 11, 2007, as presented.
- C 4 Recognize report from Clerk: Nov. 2007 Revenue/Expenditures.
- C 5 Recognize correspondence received.
- C 6 Recognize Treasurer's report, November 2007.
- C 7 Recognize written report, Building Official, November 2007.
- C 8 Recognize written report, Zoning Inspector, November 2007.
- C 9 Recognize written report, Assessor, November 2007.
- C10 Recognize written report: Parks & Recreation Committee December meeting, Trustee Bulmer.
- ~~C11 Recognize written report, SAFD Executive Board meeting, Dec. 2007, Trustee Meier.~~
- C12 Recognize written report, Washtenaw County Sheriff's Dept., month of November 2007.
- C13 Approve 2008 York Charter Township Observed Holidays, as presented.
- C14 Acknowledge Michigan Townships Assoc. Board of Review Training for Keith Fineberg, Christian Petersen (Basic) on February 6, 2008 and John Stanowski (Advanced) on Feb. 13, 2008; cost not to exceed \$70.00 each, early-bird rate.

REGULAR AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

Moved by Donahue, Seconded by Neill to approve the Regular Agenda as distributed and amended. Discussion: add to Verbal Reports, Michigan State Police. Voice Vote: Aye: 6; Nay: 0; Absent: 1. Motion carried 6-0-1

VERBAL REPORTS

Sheriff's Dept. Corporal Deacons explained changes to the Department's monthly reporting and reviewed November activity in the Township.

Zoning Inspector. Carl Girbach reviewed written report, gave update on various issues.

Building Official. Tom Toth reported that Toyota is moving along with installing interior walls, Safety Test building progressing.

Assessor. Elke Doom advised that the County finalized the 1-year Sales Study; she is reviewing assessments; some property values will be decreasing slightly; December Board of Review held this day had only five corrections.

Michigan State Police. First Lt. Ann McCaffrey, Ypsilanti Post, attended the Township's Open House held prior to the meeting for residents and applauded the Board for their efforts. She reported that there were 22 calls in November in York Township handled by the MSP.

BOARD REPORTS

Clerk Neill. Presidential Primary to take place January 15, 2008: awaiting delivery of ballots to begin testing them and mailing out to Absent Voters who have requested them – voters must select either a Democratic or Republican ballot and will need to show valid photo ID to vote; Election Commission meeting to be held next week.

Treasurer Donahue. Advised that the winter tax bills mailed out and many people are paying them earlier than usual; reminded everyone that this is the final year that the County operating shifted to the summer, however, the County's Parks & Recreation/Emergency millage is still on the winter bill.

Trustee Kartje. Planning Commission update: Mirage Lake, proposed Phase 4; Bemis Farms Day Care, some progress made, revised plans needed; proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments process is taking too long so PC will hold a workshop for an hour prior to their meetings to work on them.

Trustee Bulmer. Asked for comments & questions regarding written report; advised that Parks Committee Chair Frank Stukenborg will be presented a Michigan Recreation & Park Association Community Service Award at a ceremony in Lansing in January, several members will be attending.

Supervisor Zurawski. Policing Feasibility Study task force meeting held; met with William Meyer, Director of Forensic Center regarding recent breakout; Saline Area Fire Dept. Executive meeting; Board of Review dates set in March.

PENDING BUSINESS

SNOWPLOW
RICHARDSON
lot.
PARK LOT

Discussion held. Trustee Bulmer asked Building Official to check cost from current company who plows the Township Hall

SHERIFF'S
DEPUTY
OVERTIME
POLICY

MOVED BY DONAHUE to adopt the York Township 2008 Staffing and Backfill policy, Attachment L, with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department at a cost of \$35,055.00.
SECONDED BY MEIER. Discussion: give this a try for one year, no history of paying for Deputies' overtime to compare to; several scenarios were presented for consideration.
VOICE VOTE: AYE: 6; NAY: 0; ABSENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1

NEW BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL
SECURITY
BUTTONS,
TOWNSHIP
HALL

MOVED BY NEILL to approve the purchase of additional security buttons for Township Hall from Allstar Alarms Company as per quote dated December 11, 2007; cost not to exceed \$1,270.00 with additional monthly monitoring fee of \$5.00.
SECONDED BY DONAHUE. Discussion: investigate other companies for better price.

VOICE VOTE: AYE: 5; NAY: 1; ABSENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED 5-1-1

WATER &
SANITARY
SEWER
OPERATION &
MAINTENANCE
PROPOSAL

MOVED BY DONAHUE to approve the Water & Sanitary Sewer Operation & Maintenance Proposal with Highland Treatment, Inc. as per proposal dated November 16, 2007; to research in one year. SECONDED BY BULMER. Discussion: highly recommended by Township engineer; very knowledgeable; review other companies towards end of first year; on as-needed basis.
VOICE VOTE: AYE: 6; NAY: 0; ABSENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1

WATER &
SANITARY
SEWER RATES/
YCUA DIVISION

MOVED BY DONAHUE to approve water rates at \$3.36 per 100 c.f. and sanitary at \$2.96 per 100 c.f. supported by documentation supplied by York Township's engineering firm, Nowak & Fraus dated December 5, 2007 with these rates to be reviewed in one year. SECONDED BY MEIER. Discussion: document from Michigan Rural Water Assoc. provided assistance with ensuring all costs are included in the rates; one goal is for a capital fund to accumulate funds to use for repairs and replacement of system equipment; annual review of rates and system needed since this is a first-time operation for the Township.
VOICE VOTE: AYE: 6; NAY: 0; ABSENT: 1.
MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1

2008/2009
PROPOSED
BUDGET
DISCUSSION

Discussion held beginning with the Public Safety Fund-205 through the Cemetery Trust Fund-711, with the exception of the Building Dept.-249 that will be discussed at a later date. Some changes were made and Supervisor Zurawski will insert corrections. At the next Board meeting, General Fund Revenues and General Fund Expenses through Clerk's Dept.-215 will be discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS *(five minutes or less)*
None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Supervisor Zurawski adjourned the Regular meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Helen Neill, Clerk

Joseph Zurawski, Supervisor

Approved: _____

Synopsis published: _____, 2007

Next 3 regularly scheduled meetings: January 8, Feb. 12 & March 11, 2008 (7:30 p.m. start time)
Newspapers of record: *The Milan News-Leader* and *The Saline Reporter*