

COLOMA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
August 11, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin called the meeting to order at 7:00pm . Supervisor Kenneth Parrigin, Clerk Sheila Hickmott, Treasurer Jim Fulton, Trustees Jerry Willmeng, Bryan Duffield, Kendyl Adams, and Lance Becht were present for the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Bryan Duffield .

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer James Fulton presented the consent agenda. Treasurer Fulton reported the finance committee met and approved the July 2021, expenses totaling \$348,682.26. Moved by Trustee Lance Becht, seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, to approve the consent agenda and July 2021 meeting minutes. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Adams, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Hickmott, yes; Becht, yes; Duffield, yes; **ALL AYES. APPROVED.**

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A presentation was given by Alexander Keiswetter and Daniel Harris from the “The Woods” company about the possibility of purchasing the building located at 6633 Red Arrow Hwy and opening a business which would be selling recreational Marijuana products.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Coloma Township Board was given a “Thank-you” card from the family of Nancy Swisher. The card was read in its entirety at the board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Trustee Bryan Duffield spoke in regards to purchasing a time clock for the township. It was decided by the board to authorize the fund to start the process with Paychex flextime. Moved by Treasurer Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Kendyl Adams. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Hickmott, yes; Becht, yes; Duffield, yes; Adams, yes. **ALL AYES. APPROVED.**

NORTH BERRIEN COMMUNITY DEVELOPEMT:

Trustee Adams spoke on the great turnout for the ‘Eats in the Streets’ Also was stated the Hope Resources will have a ribbon cutting on August 14, 2021 at 11:00 am.

Committee Reports Continued:

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Police Chief gave his monthly report for July 2021, which included: 221 total complaints investigated, 36 arrest, 8 felony arrests, 116 traffic stops, 5,259 patrol miles, 153 Business Property Checks, and 10 property damage accidents.

Chief Smigielski brought to the township board the information on purchasing 4 body cams. These body cams would be digital with a purchase price of \$2,796.00. Moved by Treasurer Jim Fulton for board approval for the Chief to purchase 4 body cams, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Hickmott, yes; Becht, yes; Duffield, yes; Adams, yes; Willmeng, yes. ALL AYES. APPROVED.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Robert Howell spoke on behalf of the fire department and stated the chief's contract still is not complete. Auditor completed examination and everything was in good shape.

PARKS & RECREATION:

AEP Property is moving forward and just waiting for AEP to sign off. The gazebo in Washington park is coming along well. Paw Paw Lake Association is very happy with the number signs that have been placed on the river.

WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Robert Howell stated that our attorney Mark Nettleton submitted the new water agreement to Coloma City on July 2, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion was made to approve payment in the amount of \$1,280.67 for the Paw Paw Lake Improvement Districts (SAPAC INVOICE-FAHEY-8-4-21. Moved by Trustee Bryan Duffield seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Hickmott, yes; Becht, yes; Duffield, yes; Adams, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes. ALL AYES APPROVED.

Motion was made to authorize the purchase of a flow meter through Hesco in the amount of \$2,852.00 Moved by Trustee Bryan Duffield seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hickmott, yes; Becht, yes; Duffield, yes; Adams, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes. ALL AYES APPROVED.

Motion was made by Treasurer Jim Fulton to approve draw # 5 on the sewer bond for lift station project in the amount of \$2,320.00 Seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield. ROLL

NEW BUSINESS CONT:

CALL VOTE: Becht, yes; Duffield, yes; Adams, absent; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Hickmott, yes. 6 AYES 1 ABSENT APPROVED.

Motion was made by Trustee Bryan Duffield to approve the Municipal Emergency Coordinator Contact Data Sheet that was put together by the Chief of Police Wes Smigielski seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Adams, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Hickmott, yes; Becht, yes. ALL AYES APPROVED.

.PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Harold Bragg spoke and introduced the new library director Mary Williams. She stated that the library was doing well and they had a total of 413 participants in the summer reading program which was good.

Trustee Kendyl Adams mentioned that our outdoor sign would soon be updated and the company has received our first half of the payment.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Jerry Willmeng, seconded by Trustee Lance Becht, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Hickmott, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date Approved _____

