

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COOPER CHARTER  
TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2007**

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held on Monday, September 10, 2007 at the Cooper Charter Township Hall, 1590 West D. Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

**Members Present:** Frederick, Buiskool, DeHaan, Sorensen, Janssen, and Schiedel.

**Members Absent:** Sytsma

**Also Present:** Approximately five interested persons.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Supervisor who invited all to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion by Janssen, supported by Schiedel to approve agenda as written. Motion carried.**

The board and citizens were asked if they wanted to have any items removed from the consent agenda. There were none.

**Motion by Schiedel, supported by Janssen to approve the consent agenda consisting of August 13, 2007 Board Minutes, payment of bills, Treasurer's report, Building Permit Report, Ordinance Enforcement Report, and Charter Communications Channel and High Definition additions. Motion carried.**

Citizens were offered an opportunity to address the board regarding subjects not on the agenda. There were none.

**Motion by Frederick, supported by Buiskool to approve the combination of Taplin Ridge Lot 7, (3902-01-378-007) with metes-n-bounds land ( 3902-01-351-011) for Samuel Silverman, 10031 Taplin Lane. Motion carried.**

The Fire Commission and Fire Department Reports were read and discussed.

**Motion by Schiedel, supported by Buiskool to authorize Assistant Chief Klok to order equipment to be purchased with FEMA Grant funds. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Frederick, supported by Buiskool to replace the strobe lights on Unit 211 with LED's in the amount of \$2,221.40. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Janssen, supported by Schiedel to hire Dan Block and Brian Perkins, two previous members of the fire department, who are qualified and already trained firefighters. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Frederick, supported by Janssen to levy the following on the 2007 Winter Tax Bill: Levy 1% PTAF and 3% Penalty; waive penalty for Senior Citizens, Levy .8594 for Township Tax, Levy \$16.25 per Household for collection, disposal, and recycling of Solid Waste, Levy .5000 mills per thousand for Street Light District, Levy Collingwood & G. Avenue Sewer, Riverview Industrial Sewer, Henshaw/Moffett Sewer, Roosevelt Road Special Assessments and Delinquent Special Assessments on the Tax Roll, and reaffirm Investment Policy.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Yes: Schiedel, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Buiskool, and Frederick.**

**No: None.**

**Absent: Sytsma.**

**Motion carried.**

**Motion by Janssen, supported by Buiskool to adopt Ordinance #206 (amend Section 120.600 lot coverage, repeal 120.120 and add subsection 12 to 120.490); Ordinance #207 (amend subsections 7 & 8 of 120.410); Ordinance #208 (amend land division & site condo); and Ordinance #209 (amend Trespass & Noxious Weed Ordinance).**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Yes: Frederick, Buiskool, DeHaan, Sorensen, Janssen, and Schiedel.**

**No: None.**

**Absent: Sytsma.**

**Motion carried. Ordinances adopted.**

**Motion by Sorensen, supported by Buiskool to approve the Fall Michigan Municipal Treasurer Meeting in Kalamazoo for the Treasurer with expenses. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Janssen, supported by Frederick to accept the Residential Waste Reduction Ordinance for first reading and set second reading and adoption for October 8, 2007 with the effective date of the Ordinance to be April 1, 2008.**

**Motion by DeHaan, supported by Schiedel to replace the two garage doors on the west end of the complex with new doors not to exceed \$3055.00. Motion carried.**

**The board discussed the request from the City and County of Kalamazoo to contribute monetarily to the Local Housing Assistance Fund. The Township Attorney has issued an opinion that because the funds will be used County wide, not just for Cooper Township residents, that it is not legal for us to use General Funds to assist.**

**Motion by Frederick, supported by Buiskool to deny the monetary contribution to support Local Housing Assistance Fund from the City and County of Kalamazoo and authorize the Supervisor to direct a letter to each explaining the decision. Motion carried**

**There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.**

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**Bonnie L. Sytsma, Clerk**

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**Jeffrey R. Sorensen, Supervisor**