

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COOPER CHARTER  
TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2007**

The special meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held on Tuesday, December 18, 2007 at the Cooper Charter Township Hall, 1590 West D. Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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

**Members Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Fire Chief Emig, Assistant Chief Klok, and one interested person.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by the Supervisor and proper notice and posting of the meeting was presented.

The 2008 – 2009 General Fund and Special Funds Budget review and workshop began with discussion on the Fire Department.

Motion by Frederick, supported by Schiedel to purchase one extrication tool to replace the tool the Fire Department has that is over twenty years old in the amount of \$4,700.00. To use the current 2007-2008 fiscal year budget for that purchase. Motion carried.

Motion by Sorensen, supported by Janssen to resurface the bay floor at Station #2 as was budgeted for in the current 2007-2008 fiscal year budget. Motion carried.

Motion by Sorensen, supported by Frederick to authorize the Supervisor to purchase carpet for the Community Room at Station #2. Motion carried.

Motion by Schiedel, supported by DeHaan to purchase one safety gate for the hose tower at Station #2 using current 2007-2008 fiscal year budget. Motion carried.

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Janssen to purchase two sets of turnout gear in the amount of \$2,980.00 using the current 2007-2008 fiscal year budget. Motion carried.

The board proceeded line item by line item through the proposed Fire Department Budget for the 2008 – 2009 fiscal year. The board talked about the purchases that were just approved for the current fiscal year and how that would impact the 2008 - 2009 fiscal year budget.

The board reached consensus on a Fire Department budget for the 2008-2009 fiscal year with total expenditures of \$194,700.00.

**The Township cars were discussed and the need to replace the 1989 Caprice that the Ordinance Officer drives. The need for a newer vehicle for safety reasons was discussed.**

**The 9-1-1 Dispatch Agreement between Kalamazoo County and Cooper Township with a request for payment of \$2,378.39 to the County was reviewed along with an update on the opinion from the Township Attorney.**

**Motion by DeHaan, supported by Frederick to sign a one year 9-1-1 Fire Dispatch Agreement with the County and pay the \$2,378.39 due by June 2008. 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**

**I, the undersigned Bonnie L. Sytsma, the duly qualified and elected Clerk for the Charter Township of Cooper, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a special board meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 2007.**

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**Bonnie L. Sytsma, Clerk  
Cooper Charter Township**