

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER
Township Board Meeting
November 12, 2018

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held on Monday, November 12, 2018 at the Cooper Charter Township Hall, 1590 West D. Avenue, Kalamazoo MI.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor, Jeff Sorensen
Treasurer, Carol DeHaan
Clerk, DeAnna Janssen
Trustee, Jim Frederick
Trustee, Fred Vlietstra
Trustee, Brenda Buiskool
Trustee, Bob Schiedel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Also present was Chief Emig and approximately 9 interested people. Supervisor Sorensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items on the consent agenda were:

- a. Minutes of October 8th & 12th Meetings
- b. September Treasurer's Report
- c. Gull Lake Sewer Water Authority Audit
- d. Constellation Trust Quarterly Performance Evaluation

The board and citizens were asked if they wanted to have any items removed from the consent agenda. Trustee Frederick asked to have the Receipts and Disbursements Report moved to the regular agenda for discussion. Motion by Dehaan, supported by Schiedel to approve the consent agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

Motion by Schiedel, supported by Buiskool to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Resident comments included 1) Inquiry about Cooper Townships plan regarding hazardous waste being dumped in and around the township. Supervisor mentioned that Envirologic (suggested by Margaret O'Brien) has been contacted to get a proposal to test the soil. 2) Since the election, we now have Sean McCann... it would be great to get him involved in the before mentioned comment, as his predecessor Margaret O'Brien was. 3) Mark Reynolds appeared and resigned from Planning Commission and ZBA, effective immediately. The board accepted his resignation letter.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS & STATS:

- a. Chiefs Report
- b. Assistant Chiefs Report

REQUEST TO COMBINE - 3902-36-280-300 & 3902-36-280-310:

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Buiskool to approve this combination. Motion carried 7-0.

REQUEST TO COMBINE PARCELS – 3902-25-126-140 & 3902-25-126-240:

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Frederick to approve this combination. Motion carried 7-0.

REPUBLIC SERVICES – EXTENSION OF CURBSIDE / RECYCLING AGREEMENT:

Bob DeOrsey spoke to the board and audience about how recycling has changed. Motion by Schiedel, supported by Buiskool to accept Republic Services revised agreement for another 5-year contract. Motion carried 7-0.

RIVERVIEW SEWER PROJECT DISCUSSION:

Alan Smaka spoke to the board regarding the plan KCRC is creating for the Riverview Road Project scheduled for 2019. Per Smaka, by the December Township Board Meeting, KCRC should have numbers for the township regarding costs and cost sharing if there is going to be a joint road/sewer project.

SMBA 2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET:

Treasurer DeHaan spoke to her and Supervisor Sorensen’s continued monitoring of building inspection fee’s to Cooper residents and that she believes them to be accurate and as low as can be expected. Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Frederick to approve SMBA’s 2019 Budget. Motion carried 7-0.

RE-APPOINT DAVID FOOY AS ALTERNATE TO THE ZBA:

Motion by Frederick, supported by Buiskool to re-appoint Fooy as an alternate with a term expiration date of November 2021. Motion carried 7-0.

RECEIPTS & DISBURSMENTS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Frederick asked about the Moran Lawsuit and about the Road contracts and whether they were complete and if we had received final billing yet. The Supervisor informed the board that the Moran case had been lost and has been sent on to the Court of Appeals. All but one Cooper Township Road Project remains open and awaiting final billing from KCRC.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk

Attested by: Jeff R. Sorensen, Supervisor

I, the undersigned DeAnna Janssen, the duly qualified and elected Clerk for the Charter Township of Cooper, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a regular board meeting held on the 12th day of November 2018.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk
Cooper Charter Township