

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER
Township Board Meeting
May 8, 2017

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held on Monday, May 8, 2017 at the Cooper Charter Township Hall, 1590 West D. Avenue, Kalamazoo MI.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Clerk, DeAnna Janssen

Also present were Township Fire Chief Terry Emig and approximately 9 interested people.

Supervisor Sorensen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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 Buiskool to approve the consent agenda. Motion Carried.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA: None.

Motion by Frederick, supported by Vlietstra to approve agenda. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON STREET LIGHT DISTRICT:

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Frederick to open the Public Hearing on the Township Wide Street Light Special Assessment District. Motion carried.

Notice of public hearing, affidavit of mailing and proof of publication were presented at the hearing. There were no written or oral comments received prior to the public hearing on the proposed Street Light Special Assessment District. The Supervisor then asked for any public comment.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by DeHaan to close the Public Hearing on Street Lights. Motion Carried.

Motion by Frederick, supported by DeHaan to adopt the Street Light Special Assessment District Resolution assessing the sum of approximately \$67,000.00 at a rate of .5800 of a mill levied against the properties benefited by said lighting.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Buiskool, Schiedel, DeHaan, Sorensen, Vlietstra, Frederick

No: None

Absent: Janssen

Motion carried. Street Light Special Assessment District Resolution adopted.

PUBLIC HEARING ON SOLID WASTE DISTRICT.

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Buiskool to open the Public Hearing on the Township Wide Solid Waste Special Assessment District. Motion carried.

Notice of public hearing, affidavit of mailing and proof of publication were presented at the hearing. There were no written or oral comments received prior to the public hearing on the proposed Solid Waste Special Assessment District. The Supervisor then asked for any public comment.

David Gless commented that he has been getting charged for recycling on his bill from Republic.

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Buiskool to close the Public Hearing on Solid Waste. Motion carried.

Motion by Buiskool, supported by Vlietstra to adopt the Solid Waste Special Assessment District Resolution assessing the sum of approximately \$142,516.75 at a rate of \$39.25 against the residential properties benefited by said lighting.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Buiskool, Schiedel, DeHaan, Sorensen, Vlietstra, Frederick

No: None

Absent: Janssen

Motion carried. Solid Waste Special Assessment District Resolution adopted.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Some comments were made regarding potholes on B Ave.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

DISCUSSION REGARDING MARIJUANA ORDINANCE. (Opt In or Opt Out):

Comments from Adam Keagle (Detroit). After discussion, board decided to attend the June 15th Kalamazoo County MTA Chapter meeting regarding this topic.

DISCUSSION REGARDING POSSIBLE RIVERVIEW & KEYES SEWER PROJECT

DISCUSSION REGARDING POSSIBLE SOLAR ENERGY FARM IN COOPER

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Comments from Trustee Frederick regarding 19th Street Erosion.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Debbie Holtman, Deputy Clerk

Attested by: Jeff R. Sorensen, Supervisor

I, the undersigned Debbie Holtman, the duly qualified and appointed Deputy 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 8th day of May 2017.

Debbie Holtman, Deputy Clerk
Cooper Charter Township