

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER
Special Township Board Meeting
January 11, 2019

The special meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held on Friday, January 11, 2019 at the Cooper Township Hall, 1590 West D Ave, Kalamazoo Mi 49009.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Also present was Frank LaPierre and Alan Smaka of Wightman & Associates, Tara Tyler of MERS and 1 additional interested person attended. Supervisor Sorensen called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

RCKC RIVERVIEW ROAD PROJECT AND POSSIBLE TOWNSHIP SEWER PROJECT:

Alan Smaka provided information about RCKS's road project and the logistics of the township running sewer down Riverview while the road commission has the road torn up.

Motion by Buiskool, supported by Vlietstra to approve the expense of Wightman & Associates moving forward on the design for the sewer portion of the Riverview – "G" Ave to Brackett project. Motion carried 7-0.

ASSET MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION:

A presentation by Wightman & Associates about municipal asset management.

HEALTH CARE SAVINGS PLAN VS OPEB LIABILITIES WITH CURRENT PLAN:

A Health Care Savings Plan (HCSP) presentation was given by Tara Tyler with MERS.

Motion by Janssen, supported by Frederick to, as of the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year, replace the current retiree health care benefit plan with a MERS Health Care Savings Plan to include a one-time YOS Lump Sum Contribution per full time employee/per year of service. Moving forward all current and future full-time employees will receive contributions into their HCSP per bi-weekly pay period in the amount of \$150.00. Motion carried 7-0.

MTA DISCUSSION:

Reminded Trustees' of upcoming Education Conference and took a tally of those planning to attend.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

None

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25pm.

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 special board meeting held on the 11th day of January 2019.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk
Cooper Charter Township