

**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER**  
**Township Board Meeting**  
**July 8, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held, on Monday, July 8, 2019 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 16 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 June 10, 2019 Meeting
- b. May Treasurers Report
- c. June Receipts and Disbursements Report

The board and citizens were asked if they wanted any items removed from the consent agenda. Motion by Schiedel supported by Buiskool to approve the consent agenda as written. Motion carried 7-0

**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:**

Sorensen asked to add the Appointment of Stephanie Davis and Jim Miles to the ZBA as alternates to the agenda. Motion by Janssen supported by Frederick to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** None.

1. Commenting how good and professional the SMBA inspectors are. Secondly, had a difficult run in with previous Ordinance Officers, and please try to make a better choice in ordinance officer next time.
2. Asking about additional information about the speed limit and enforcement trailer.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

- a. Chiefs Report –

Motion by Vlietstra supported by DeHaan to accept this report. Motion carried 7-0.

**DISCUSSION – TOM WHEAT FROM PREIN & NEWHOF RE: COLLINGWOOD / RIVERVIEW SEWER PROJECT:** - Tom is delayed, postponed until later date.

**REQUEST FROM CYNTHIA NEWMAYER REGARDING WEST COOPER CEMETERY:**

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Janssen to deny the request from Mrs. Newmeyer for full burial of her mother within Lot 391 of West Cooper Cemetery Section A and to support the current and previous clerks decisions to offer Mrs. Newmeyer a full burial for her mother at her fathers' feet, to cremate her mother and bury her on her

father's full burial, or for her to apply to the State of Michigan to dis-inter her father, at her expense, and have them buried side by side at a different location. Motion carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION 19-156 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF ZONING MAP ORDINANCE AMENDMENT:**

Motion by DeHaan supported by Frederick to adopt Resolution 19-156.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION 19-155 – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF SEWER ORDINANCE AMENDMENT:**

Motion by Vlietstra supported by Janssen to adopt Resolution 19-155.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0.

**RESOLUTION 19-154 – TO UPDATE FEE SCHEDULE:**

Motion by Buiskool supported by DeHaan to adopt Resolution 19-154.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0.

**CONSIDERATION OF 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER 2019/2020 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET REPORT:**

Motion by Buiskool supported by Schiedel to approve. Motion carried 7-0.

**DISCUSSION – KCRC DRAFT COMMUNICATION SERVICES FACILITIES POLICY –**

**APPOINT STEPHANIE DAVIS TO ZBA AS AN ALTERNATE FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 8/2022 AND JIM MILES TO FILL AN EXISTING ALTERNATE SEAT TO EXPIRE 11/2021:**

Motion by Buiskool, supported by DeHaan to appoint Stephanie Davis and Jim Miles to the ZBA as alternates.

Motion carried 7-0.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

Trustee Frederick mentioned some joint meetings he has and will attend regarding Road Commissions and the processes in Michigan for repairing roads.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

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DeAnna Janssen, Clerk

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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 8th day of July 2019.

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DeAnna Janssen, Clerk  
Cooper Charter Township