

**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER**  
**Township Board Meeting**  
**September 9, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held, on Monday, September 9, 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, Bob Schiedel  
Trustee, Fred Vlietstra – arrived at 7:35pm  
Trustee, Rob Bricker

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** none.

Also present was Chief Emig, Lieutenant Baker and approximately 10 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 August 12 and September 3, 2019 Meetings
- b. July Treasurers Report
- c. August Receipts and Disbursements Report

The board and citizens were asked if they wanted any items removed from the consent agenda. Motion by Frederick supported by Schiedel to remove item C to discuss on the regular agenda and to approve the consent agenda as amended. Motion carried 6-0.

**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:** Janssen asked to add the Fire Department Stats from the last quarter to the Fire Department Reports section of the agenda and Sorensen also mentioned that Lt Baker is here and would like to answer any questions the board or residents may have.

Motion by Schiedel supported by Bricker to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 6-0

**LT BAKER ANSWERED QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE AND BOARD REGARDING:**

Sheriffs Dept jurisdiction map and mail theft.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. Road question...Simmons and Spartan haven't seen repairs to potholes, why is Solvel being worked on again?
2. Coggan Farms - why isn't the board and/or legislature doing something about this? If the water/soil is safe why wont they let us test it?

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

- a. Chiefs Report –
- b. Asst't Chiefs Report –
- c. Fire Dept Stats June/July-

Motion by DeHaan supported by Janssen to accept these reports. Motion carried 6-0.

**REQUEST FOR COMBINATION FROM CHAD AND STACEY BAKER OF 5422 SOLVEL (3902-35-428-060) AND 5423 HILLSIGHT (3902-35-430-110):**

Motion by Frederick, supported by Schiedel to approve this combination. Motion carried 6-0.

**QUOTE FROM ESPER ELECTRIC FOR NEW COOPER BRIDGE LED'S AND FD REPAIRS:**

Motion by Frederick supported by Bricker to approve the fire department repairs and hold off until next year for the bridge light repairs. Motion carried 6-0.

**APPROVAL TO LEVY THE FOLLOWING ON THE 2019 WINTER TAX BILL:**

- a. Levy 1% PTAF and 3% Penalty; waive penalty for Senior Citizens
- b. Levy 0.8520 for Township Tax
- c. Levy \$46.63 per Household for collection, disposal, and recycling of Solid Waste
- d. Levy .5800 Mills per thousand for Street Light District
- e. Levy Collingwood & G Ave, Riverview Industrial, Henshaw/Moffett Sewer, Levy Liens for cleanup and mowing, and Delinquent Special Assessments on the Tax Roll.
- f. Reaffirm Investment Policy

Motion by Schiedel supported by Frederick to approve all for the Winter 2019 Tax Bill.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Schiedel, DeHaan, Sorensen, Janssen, Frederick, Bricker

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra

Motion carried 6-0.

**AUGUST RECEIPTS AND DISBURSMENTS REPORT:**

Motion by Frederick, supported by DeHaan to approve the report as provided. Motion carried 7-0.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:** Janssen noted to the board that the Election Commission is scheduled to meet at 6:30pm on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

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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 9th day of September 2019.

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DeAnna Janssen, Clerk  
Cooper Charter Township