

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER
Regular Township Board Meeting
May 11, 2020

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held, on Monday, May 11, 2020 via teleconference.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

Also present was Laura Genovich from Foster Swift and 3 interested people. Supervisor Sorensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items on the consent agenda were:

- a) Board Meeting Minutes of Special Meeting on April 9, 2020
- b) Board Meeting Minutes of Special Meeting on April 29, 2020
- c) April Receipts and Disbursements Report
- d) March Treasurers Report
- e) 4th Quarter Budge Report for 2019/2020

Request by Frederick to remove the April Receipts and Disbursements Report from the Consent Agenda for Discussion. Motion by Schiedel, supported by Vlietstra to approve the consent agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA: Addition of April Receipts and Disbursements Report to end of agenda. Motion by Frederick, supported by Vlietstra to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

One citizen asked what capacity the Ordinance Officer was able to operate during the Stay Home, Stay Safe Executive Order. Sorensen explained that the officer is not allowed to issue tickets/fines/penalties until we are open to the public again. She is able to issue warnings to non-compliant property owners.

APPOINT J. JOHNSTON CONSULTING AS COOPER TOWNSHIP PLANNING/ZONING ADMINISTRATION FOR THE BALANCE OF THE 2020/2021 FISCAL YEAR:

Motion by Schiedel, supported by Janssen to appoint J. Johnston Consulting for the balance of the 2020/2021 fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0

ADOPT REVISED MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE 2020/2021 FISCAL YEAR:

Motion by Frederick, supported by Schiedel to adopt the revised schedule for the 2020/2021 fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0

PUBLIC HEARING ON STREET LIGHT DISTRICT:

Motion by Janssen, supported by Schiedel to open the Public Hearing on the Township Wide Street Light Special Assessment District.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0

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 Janssen, supported by Vlietstra to close the public hearing.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Janssen, supported by DeHaan to adopt the Street Light Special Assessment District Resolution assessing the sum of approximately \$69,000.00 at a rate of .5800 of a mil levied against the properties benefited by said lighting.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0. Street Light Special Assessment District Resolution Adopted.

PUBLIC HEARING ON SOLID WASTE DISTRICT:

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Schiedel to open the Public Hearing on the Township Solid Waste Special Assessment District.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none
Absent: none
Motion carried 7-0

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.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Bricker to close the public hearing.
Roll Call Vote:
Yes: Vlietstra, Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Schiedel, Bricker
No: none
Absent: none
Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Janssen, supported by Vlietstra to adopt the Solid Waste Special Assessment District Resolution assessing the sum of approximately \$185,691.99 at a rate of \$50.83 against each residential property specially benefited by this district.
Roll Call Vote:
Yes: Vlietstra, Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Schiedel, Bricker
No: none
Absent: none
Motion carried 7-0. Solid Waste Special Assessment District Resolution Adopted.

RESOLUTION 20-179 TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 254 TO AMEND SITE CONDOMINIUM ORDINANCE.

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Bricker to approve Resolution 20-179 to Adopt Ordinance No 254.
Roll Call Vote:
Yes: Vlietstra, Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Schiedel, Bricker
No: none
Absent: none
Motion carried 7-0.

RESOLUTION 20-180 TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 255 TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE.

Motion by Frederick, supported by Vlietstra to approve Resolution 20-180 to Adopt Ordinance No 255.
Roll Call Vote:
Yes: Vlietstra, Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Schiedel, Bricker
No: none
Absent: none
Motion carried 7-0.

RESOLUTION 20-181 TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 256 TO IMPOSE A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS, LICENSES, OR APPROVALS FOR CERTAIN USES OF PROPERTY RELATED TO MEDICAL MARIHUANA PATIENTS AND CAREGIVERS.

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by DeHaan to approve Resolution 20-181 to Adopt Ordinance No 256.
Roll Call Vote:
Yes: Vlietstra, Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Schiedel, Bricker
No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0.

APRIL RECEIPTS & DISBURSMENTS REPORT:

Motion by Schiedel, supported by Frederick to approve this report.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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 May, 2020.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk
Cooper Charter Township