

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER
Regular Township Board Meeting
June 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held, on Monday, June 8, 2020 via teleconference.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor, Jeff Sorensen
Clerk, DeAnna Janssen
Treasurer, Carol DeHaan
Trustee, Jim Frederick
Trustee, Bob Schiedel – arrived late
Trustee, Rob Bricker

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Trustee, Fred Vlietstra

Also present were 0 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 May 11, 2020 Meeting
- b) May Receipts and Disbursements Report
- c) April Treasurers Report

Motion by Bricker, supported by Frederick to approve the consent agenda as written.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Bricker

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra, Schiedel

Motion carried 5-0

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

Sorensen asked to add to the agenda a letter from resident asking for a hardship consideration.

Motion by Janssen, supported by Frederick to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Bricker

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra, Schiedel

Motion carried 5-0

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: none

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Motion by Bricker, supported by Janssen to approve Fire Department Report.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Bricker

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra, Schiedel

Motion carried 5-0

DISCUSSION: MTA ANNUAL DUES

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Frederick to approve payment of the annual dues and legal defense fund in the amount of \$5990.05.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Bricker

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra, Schiedel

Motion carried 5-0

DISCUSSION: CITY WATER UPDATES AND LETTER GOING TO RESIDENTS IN THE 2019 PHASE OF MUNICAL WATER HOOK-UP:

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING KALAMAZOO GARDEN COUNCIL, INC AS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION:

Motion by DeHaan supported by Janssen to adopt this resolution.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra

Motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION: 5373 RIVERVIEW APPEAL TO BOARD FOR HARDSHIP CONSIDERATION REGARDING TOWNSHIP REQUIRMENT TO FILL HIS SEPTIC TANKS WITH PEA STONE UPON HOOKUP TO CITY SEWER:

Tabled until July 13, 2020 meeting.

ELECTIONS UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON ADDITIONAL ELECTION SUPPLIES NEEDED:

Motion by Bricker, supported by Frederick to approve purchase of the items needed to help ensure the safety of election workers and voters at the upcoming elections.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra

Motion carried 6-0.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Frederick mentioned that the Road Commissions Seal Coating programming was getting started.

DeHaan asked that the board hire her Deputy Treasurer Robin DeHaan temporarily to work part time hours opposite part time office staff Connie Herweyer. Motion by DeHaan, supported by Schiedel to engage Robin DeHaan for 20 hrs. a week, 8am-12pm Monday thru Friday starting after the July 4th holiday weekend.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: none

Absent: Vlietstra

Motion carried 6-0.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

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 regular (electronic) board meeting held on the 8th day of June, 2020.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk
Cooper Charter Township