

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COOPER
Regular Township Board Meeting
September 12, 2022

The regular meeting of the Cooper Charter Township Board was held on Monday, September 12, 2022.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor, Jeff Sorensen
Clerk, DeAnna Janssen
Treasurer, Carol DeHaan
Trustee, Jim Frederick
Trustee, Dan Williams
Trustee, Adam Tuinstra
Trustee, Fred Vlietstra

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Chief Emig and 11 interested people. Supervisor Sorensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items on the consent agenda:

- a) Board Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2022
- b) Receipts and Disbursements Report
- c) August 2022 KCSO Calls for Service Report
- d) Monthly Ordinance Enforcement Report
- e) Treasurers Reports

The board and citizens were asked if they wanted any items remove from the consent agenda. Motion by Frederick, supported by Tuinstra to approve the consent agenda as written. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Williams to approve the agenda as written.
Motion carried 7-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

None.

KCSD – STEPHEN BEERS:

CONSIDER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Williams to approve the reports and to purchase new tires and wheels for Fire Truck 272 at \$1420.00. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER RE-APPOINTING SHERYL GLUCHOWSKI TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE SEPTEMBER 2025:

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Frederick to re-appoint. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDER QUOTES FROM PREIN & NEWHOFF AND WIGHTMAN ASSOCIATES FOR SITE SURVEY.

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Janssen to go with the Prein & Newhoff quote for these services. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSIDERATION OF MID YEAR HOURLY WAGE INCREASE FOR DEBBIE HOLTMAN AND MINDY BECKER OF \$0.50 PER HOUR:

Motion by Frederick, supported by Janssen to approve. Motion carried 7-0.

REQUEST APPROVAL TO LEVY 1% PTA, 0.8278 FOR TOWNSHIP TAX, \$58.83 PER HOUSEHOLD FOR COLLECTION/DISPOSAL/RECYCLING OF SOLID WASTE, .2900 FOR STREET LIGHT DISTRICT, AND RIVERVIEW DRIVE SEWER/ CLEAN UP AND MOWING/DELINQUENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON THE WINTER 2022 TAX ROLL:

Motion by Williams, supported by Vlietstra to levy all the above to the Winter 2022 Tax Roll.

Roll Call Vote:

YES: Vlietstra, Frederick, Janssen, Sorensen, DeHaan, Tuinstra, Williams

NO: none

ABSENT: none

Motion Carried 7-0.

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD RENEWAL EFFECTIVE DEC 2022.

Motion by Frederick, supported by Janssen to renew. Motion carried 7-0.

REQUEST APPROVAL TO MOVE FORWARD WITH FIRE DEPARTMENT PLANS TO REPLACE TRUCK 261 OBLIGATING 1/3 OF ARPA FUNDS (\$387,672.28) FOR THE PROJECT:

Motion by Williams, supported by Sorensen to obligate \$387,672.28 of the ARPA funds to Fire Department Expenses. Motion Carried 7-0.

2021/2022 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT REPORT

Motion by Frederick, supported by Vlietstra to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

CONSIDER QUOTES FOR REFURBISHING SMALL BARN BEHIND TOWNSHIP HALL (UTILIZING ARPA FUNDS ALREADY OBLIGATED TO THE TOWNSHIP CONSTRUCTION PROJECT):

Motion by Vlietstra, supported by Frederick to allow the Executive Committee to make the final decision once the final quote arrives in the office. Motion carried 7-0.

DISCUSSION – PARCHMENT AREA WATER PROJECT

DISCUSSION – REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN BROADBAND COMMITTEE COMMUNITY SURVEY.

DISCUSSION – CONSIDER CHANGING THE DATE OF OCTOBER 10TH MEETING TO OCTOBER 11TH TO ALLOW FULL PARTICIPATION IN MTA REGIONAL SUMMIT IN KALAMAZOO COUNTY.

Motion by Frederick, supported by Williams to Change the Date of the next meeting from October 10th to October 11th. Motion carried 7-0.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Janssen asked Trustee Frederick and Trustee Williams to put 6:30pm on their calendar prior to the October 11th meeting for Election Commission Meeting; and October 27th at 9am for Kalamazoo County Public Accuracy Test for the November 8th Election.

DeHaan informed the board that an offer had been made for the residential piece of property we have up for sale. The offer was considerably less than what we were asking.

Motion by DeHaan, supported by Williams to counter offer \$25,000.00. Motion carried 7-0.

Frederick commented that the road work in Cooper has thus far looked good.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk

Attested: Jeff 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 12th day of September 2022.

DeAnna Janssen, Clerk
Cooper Charter Township