

**MINUTES
LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
May 15, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Gloria Payne at 7:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Payne called the roll. Board members present were Gloria Payne, Clerk, Robert Clark, Treasurer, Pat Heyn, Trustee, James Stine, Jr., Trustee, John Wilk, Trustee and Trustee Nancy Mensinger. Supervisor John Gast was absent.

Clerk Payne indicated that in the absence of Supervisor John Gast, a motion is necessary to appoint a Pro Tem for this meeting. It was moved by Payne, seconded by Stine to appoint Robert Clark, as Supervisor Pro Tem.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Pro Tem Clark called for any items that might be needed to be added to the agenda. There were none. The agenda stands as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bruce Gorenflo introduced himself as a Republican candidate for the 79th District House seat. A 60 year old St. Joseph resident Bruce Gorenflo a senior technical writer and product communications coordinator with Johnson-Rauhoff with almost 40 years experience, and has been a resident of the district for more than 50 years. His concerns include public education funding, economic prosperity, and the renewal of infrastructure, particularly roads, water lines and bridges.

Pauline Wendzel introduced herself as a lifelong Watervliet resident from a proud 4th generation Bainbridge Township farming family. An active alumni in both Watervliet High School and Michigan State University, where I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology and Food Industry Marketing.

She is motivated to ensure our voices are heard in Lansing, believes in the importance of conservative family values and dedicated to bringing people together for the improvement of our community. She would be proud to represent the 79th district and is willing and able to dedicate 100% for the area.

Joe Andrews introduced himself as a Democratic candidate for the 79th district. He is 29 years old and is a St. Joseph native and Wayne State University Law School graduate and operated his own solar panel installation business. As a young person, he feels he has the perspective that's needed in Lansing. He wants to strengthen the state's education system. Promotes Public Safety and keep up the infrastructure.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 17, 2018

It was moved by Wilk seconded by Mensinger to approve the April 17, 2018 meeting minutes. Six ayes, motion carried.

Special Meeting May 8, 2018

It was moved by Mensinger seconded by Heyn to approve the special board meeting minutes of May 8, 2018, with one correction. Six ayes, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

With a few explanations, and some clarifications, it was moved by Stine seconded by Payne to approve the bills of April 2018 in the amount of \$304,941.01. Six ayes, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE PACKET

Lake Charter Township account balances for April 2018.

Michigan Townships Insights and Voice.

REPORTS

Supervisor's Report

Unavailable.

Clerk's Report

Attached.

Treasurer's Report

Attached.

Planning Commission Report

Meeting minutes are on file in the Township Hall offices.

Water Plant Report

Jeff Burkhard, Lake Charter Township Water Plant Superintendent reported pumpage is down, eleven million gallons, due to the outage at the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant.

Water Plant Report attached.

GRSD Sewer Authority Report

Unavailable.

Police Department

Baroda-Lake Township Police Board meeting minutes attached.

Fire Department Report

Unavailable.

Park Committee Report

Attached.

Library Report

Unavailable.

Cemetery Committee Report

Attached.

Building Department Report

Attached.

Lake Township Economic Growth Alliance Report

Robert Clark reported that Cali Berg, Director of the Bridgman Area Chamber of Commerce/Economic Growth Alliance has announced her resignation. She will be accepting a position in the Milwaukee, Wisconsin area.

Medic One Report

Medic One meeting minutes attached.

Utility Committee Report

Attached.

Capital Improvement Report

No meeting held.

Zoning Board of Appeals Report

The Zoning Board of Appeals meeting minutes of May 10, 2018 are on file in Township Hall offices.

AGENDA ITEMS

Presentation

Supervisor Pro Tem Clark turned the floor over to Shawn Martin, Baroda-Lake Township Police Chief. He introduced Duncan Gast, police officer for Baroda Lake Township Police and Tony Jones, former Lake Charter Township Firefighter. These two individuals were part of saving a life. At the Pebblewood Golf Course, an individual had a heart attack and it was the efforts of Tony Jones and Duncan Gast who used the AED equipment to bring the individual back to life.

A certificate was awarded to Tony Jones and Duncan Gast.

A standing ovation was given by all board members and guests present.

Cemetery Sealing Proposal

Supervisor Pro Tem Clark asked board members to review the proposal from Shembarger Asphalt Sealing, Inc., in the amount of \$3,745.00 for seal coating the second half of the driveway in Graceland Cemetery. The first half was done in 2017. This is a 2018-budgeted item.

It was moved by Payne seconded by Heyn to accept the proposal of Shembarger Asphalt Sealing, Inc., in the amount of \$3,745.00 for seal coating the second half of the driveway in Graceland Cemetery. Six aye, motion carried.

Berrien County Road Department Projects for Lake Charter Township

Supervisor Pro Tem Clark asked if board members had reviewed the call for road projects in Lake Township. Jericho Road from Shawnee to Snow 1.5 miles \$20,000.00; Baldwin Road from city limits to Snow .5 miles \$63,172.82; Gast Road from Shawnee to Snow 1.5 miles \$26,800.00; Floral Lane from Red Arrow to end (East and West) .44 miles \$6,800.00 and Lange Road from Snow to the end .62 miles \$13,800.00.

It was discussed that we opt to remove Floral Lane and Lange Road from the Road Department's projects so residents can be notified and their questions can be answered.

After discussion and removing Floral Lane and Lange Road from the Road Department projects, it was moved by Payne seconded by Wilk to approve the remaining road work projects by the Road Department in the amount of \$109,972.82. Six ayes, motion carried.

John Deere Gator

It was moved by Stine seconded by Heyn to table this agenda item to gather other quotes for a more utility type unit for use in the Park. Six ayes, motion carried.

Electric Valve Wrench

Supervisor Pro Tem Clark turned the floor over to Jeff Burkhard, Water Plant Superintendent and Toban Riley, Assistant Water Plant Superintendent who reported that this item is a 2018-budgeted item and is now ready to be purchased. A quote from E.H. Wachs for an electric torque-controlled wrench, with a tee handle for \$8,425.00 was discussed.

After discussion, it was moved by Stine seconded by Payne to purchase the electric torque-controlled wrench, with a tee handle from E.H. Wachs in the amount of \$8,425.00. Six ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Trustee James Stine Jr., commented there is no substitute for the personnel we have in the Lake Charter Township Fire Department and the Baroda-Lake Township Police Department.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.

Lake Charter Township Planning Commission is scheduled for June 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Charter Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.

Lake Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Charter Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.

Lake Charter Township Hall offices are closed in observance of Memorial Day, May 28, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further objection and no further business it was moved by Payne seconded by Wilk to adjourn the meeting. Six ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Dated: _____

Gloria A. Payne, Clerk

Dated: _____

Robert Clark, Supervisor Pro Tem