



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLAINFIELD
KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN
6161 BELMONT AVENUE NE; BELMONT, MICHIGAN 49306

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 15, 2014

Regular Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

1. The regular meeting of the Plainfield Charter Township Board was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Supervisor Jay Spencer. Members present: Supervisor Jay Spencer, Clerk Ruth Ann Karnes, Treasurer Bill Brinkman, Trustees Vic Matthews, Dave Grant, Jon Rathbun, and Dale Pomeroy. Members absent: None. Also present: Superintendent Cameron Van Wyngarden, Parks Development Director John Short, Landscape Architects & Planners executive Robert Ford, Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee members Sally Wesorick, Dale Hecksel, Tom Wiarda, David Meyerholtz, and Dave Heyboer. Mr. John Gill of Gill Industries, his son James Joseph Gill, and his grandson Nathan Thornton were also present.
2. The invocation was offered by Jon Rathbun.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jon Rathbun.
4. There were no public comments.
5. The consent agenda was reviewed.
 - a. Approve the November 24, 2014 special meeting minutes
 - b. Approve the December 1, 2014 regular meeting minutes
 - c. Approve the Contractor's Application for Payment No. 6 from Wyoming Excavators, Inc. totaling \$39,134.78 for the Water Supply and Waste water Collection System Improvements for Sawkaw, Northville, Kewadin, Wyandotte and Nippon Drives
 - d. Approve Budget Amendment #2
 - e. Approve Kent County Emergency Medical Services Invoice
 - f. Approve a 2% wage increase for non-bargaining employees for 2015
 - g. Adopt a resolution approving the 2015 Township Rates & Charges, as revised on December 15, 2014
 - h. Adopt a Michigan Department of Transportation performance resolution for governmental agencies
 - i. Approve the recommended appointments from the Personnel Committee for the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Construction Board of Appeals, Cemetery Advisory Committee, and the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
NOTE: Attachment A contains a list of the appointments made for each Commission, Board, and Advisory Committee above.
 - j. Receive the Water, Fire, Passport, Building, Ordinance Enforcement, Financial and Investment Reports for November 2014
 - k. Approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$461,237.85
6. Matthews moved, with support by Karnes, to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$461,237.85. Ayes: Matthews, Rathbun, Grant, Brinkman, Karnes, Pomeroy, and Spencer. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.
7. Spencer read a Proclamation for Gill Industries in celebration of their 50 years in business in Plainfield Charter Township. Mr. John Gill of Gill Industries, his son James Joseph Gill, and his grandson Nathan Thornton were present on behalf of Gill Industries.

8. A public hearing for the Proposed Parks & Recreation 5 Year Master Plan was opened at 7:28 p.m. The Board acknowledged receipt of email from Township resident Travis Mabry expressing his desire for more non-motorized trails connecting to the White Pine Trail from the west and east sides of the trail. There were no other public comments and the public hearing was closed at 7:30 p.m. Pomeroy moved, with support by Karnes, to adopt the first reading of the proposed Parks & Recreation 5 Year Master Plan and schedule a second public hearing for January 5, 2015, to make the document available to the public for a thirty day review period on the Plainfield Charter Township website, at Town Hall, and at the Plainfield Public Library, and to schedule a final public hearing during the regular Board meeting on January 19, 2015. Ayes: Brinkman, Matthews, Karnes, Spencer, Pomeroy, Rathbun, and Grant. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
9. There was no old business.
10. New business
 - a. Matthews moved, with support by Brinkman, to adopt a resolution in support of the Kent County Township Supervisor's proposal for 911 dispatch funding. Ayes: Matthews, Rathbun, Grant, Brinkman, Karnes, Pomeroy, and Spencer. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
 - b. Matthews moved, with support by Pomeroy, to accept the gift of real estate commonly known as 5580 West River Drive and to enter into a proposed Agreement with the Friends of the White Pine Trail. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried. The president of Friends of the White Pine Trail, Dave Heyboer, noted that the family gifting the land wishes it to be named The Patterson Family Friends of the White Pine Trail Park.
 - c. Karnes moved, with support by Matthews, to enter into a three year service agreement with iCompass for Meeting and Records Management Solutions. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
11. There were no Board discussions.
12. Van Wyngarden shared comments.
13. Board members shared comments.
14. At 9:43 p.m. Grant moved, with support by Brinkman, to move into closed session to conduct a regular evaluation of the Superintendent in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act; MCL 15.268; Section 8(a). Ayes: Matthews, Rathbun, Grant, Brinkman, Karnes, Pomeroy, and Spencer. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.
At 10:55 p.m. Brinkman moved, with support by Grant, to return to the regular meeting. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
15. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Ruth Ann Karnes
Plainfield Charter Township Clerk

Date

Jay D. Spencer
Plainfield Charter Township Supervisor

Date

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, as the duly elected clerk of the township, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the regular meeting minutes of December 15, 2014 as approved by the Township Board of Plainfield Charter Township, at which a quorum was present.

Plainfield Charter Township Clerk

Date

Attachment A

Appointments

Planning Commission

Marie Kessler for her third term expiring on December 31, 2017

Kerwin Keen for his first term expiring on December 31, 2017

(Note: Mr. Keen is currently serving on the Planning Commission to finish the remainder of George Pawlowski's term.)

Zoning Board of Appeals

Ben Greene for his first term expiring on December 31, 2017

Ray Holland for his first term expiring on December 31, 2017

(Note: Mr. Holland is currently serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals to finish the remainder of Ruth Ann Karnes' term.)

Board of Review

Reappoint **David Deverman** and **David Cobb** to two year terms ending on December 31, 2016

Construction Board of Appeals

Reappoint **Russell Borst** and **Bryan Hull** to two year terms ending on December 31, 2017

Cemetery Advisory Committee

Steven Ayres for a three year term ending on December 31, 2017

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee

Reappoint **David Briggs** and **Sally Wesorick** to three year terms ending on December 31, 2017