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Plainfield Charter Township
Regular Meeting
January 21, 2014

Regular Board Meeting--7:00 p.m.

1. The regular meeting of the Plainfield Charter Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Jay Spencer. Members present were: Supervisor Jay Spencer, Clerk Ruth Ann Karnes, Trustees Vic Matthews, Dale Pomeroy and Jon Rathbun. Absent: Treasurer Bill Brinkman and Trustee Dave Grant. Also present was: Parks and Recreation Director John Short. Superintendent Van Wyngarden was not present due to illness.
2. A minute of silent prayer was observed.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vic Matthews.
4. The Board acknowledged several Boy Scouts working on citizenship and communications badges. Mr. Lawrence Wilson, Scout Master for Troop 230, thanked the Township for allowing the Scouts to use the Senior Center for troop meetings for the past 15 years.
5. The consent agenda was reviewed with no changes.
 - a. Approve the January 9, 2014 special meeting minutes
 - b. Approve the January 13, 2014 special meeting minutes
 - c. Approve the January 13, 2014 closed session minutes
 - d. Approve Kamminga & Roodvoets's Application for Payment #2 totaling \$48,676.88 and #3 totaling \$31,382.95 for work done at the 10 Mile Park
 - e. Approve the purchase of a casing and gasket from Kennedy Industries to repair the ITT Marlow sludge pump totaling \$3,644.00, plus shipping costs
 - f. Approve the final plat approval for Boulder View Estates – Phase 1 with a financial guarantee in the amount of \$22,800
 - g. Schedule public hearing for Community Development Block Grant potential projects for Tuesday, February 18 at 7:00 p.m.
 - h. Receive the Building, Ordinance Enforcement, Fire, and Passport reports for December 2013
 - i. Approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,094,231.00
6. Rathbun moved, with support by Pomeroy, to approve the agenda (including consent agenda and Accounts Payable). Ayes: Spencer, Matthews, Rathbun, Pomeroy, and Karnes. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
7. Parks Development Director John Short made a presentation regarding the Grand Isle Park and the proposal from PASS for fund raising and naming of facilities. No action was taken.
8. Old business
 - a. Matthews moved, with support by Rathbun to approve the rules for the 10 Mile Park naming contest with the provision that Van Wyngarden may extend the deadline for submissions beyond February 28th at his discretion. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Absent: 2. Motion carried.
 - b. There was a brief discussion of the Township Board's goals and objectives. A more in-depth discussion is planned for the next regular meeting when all Board members and Superintendent Van Wyngarden will be present.

9. New business
 - a. Matthews moved, with support by Karnes, to appoint Cameron Van Wyngarden and Ruth Ann Karnes to the Kent County EMS Partnership Board Van Wyngarden's term will expire on June 30, 2017, and Karnes' term will expire on June 20, 2015. Ayes: 4. Nays: 1. Absent: 2. Motion carried.
10. Board members discussed complaints about phone calls being made to residents "on behalf of the Plainfield firefighters" asking residents to buy tickets to a benefit concert. There is concern that residents are being misled. Plainfield Township is not asking residents to make donations or to buy tickets to any concerts. It appears that the union representing the firefighters is behind the calls.
11. There were no Superintendent's comments.
12. Matthews was highly complementary of the presentation on the legendary Chief Wabasis made by Mr. Norm Van Soest at the Plainfield Library last week. He stated the presentation was extremely well done and attendance was far greater than expected. Mr. Van Soest is chairperson of the Plainfield Township Historical Preservation Committee.
13. The meeting adjourned at 8:36 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 and acting clerk of the township, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the regular meeting minutes of January 21, 2014 as approved by the Township Board of Plainfield Charter Township, at which a quorum was present.

 Plainfield Charter Township Clerk

 Date