



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

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 7, 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: Supervisor Jay Spencer, Clerk Ruth Ann Karnes, Treasurer Bill Brinkman, Trustees Dave Grant, Vic Matthews, Dale Pomeroy, and Jon Rathbun. Members absent: none. Also present: Superintendent Cameron Van Wyngarden and Parks Development Manager John Short.
2. A moment of silence was observed.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dave Grant.
4. There were no public comments.
5. The consent agenda was reviewed.
 - a. Approve the June 12, 2014 special meeting minutes
 - b. Approve the June 16, 2014 regular meeting minutes
 - c. Approve the June 16, 2014 closed session minutes
 - d. Approve Budget Amendment #1 and transfer funds accordingly
 - e. Receive the investment report for May 2014
 - f. Approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$714,812.23
6. Grant moved, with support by Matthews, to approve the agenda including the consent agenda and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$714,812.23. Ayes: Grant, Matthews, Brinkman, Rathbun, Spencer, Pomeroy, and Karnes. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
7. Katie Karnes, winner of the name and logo contest to rename the park commonly referred to as the 10 Mile Park, was presented with a framed certificate and a prize award of \$500 for her winning name, Premier Park, and winning logo design incorporating the Township seal. Mr. Art Spalding, a prize money contributor, and Supervisor Spencer made the presentation. Spalding said he has watched the naming process with great anticipation and the name is great. Spencer congratulated Ms. Karnes and said naming the park has been high on the Board's priority list for quite a few months.
8. There was no old business.
9. New Business
 - a. Pomeroy moved, with support by Karnes, to approve the purchase of the Bobcat 3650 4x4 PTO/Street Legal utility vehicle from Carleton Equipment totaling \$21,322.19. The Bobcat will be used by the Parks Department primarily at Grand Isle and Versluis parks and by the Buildings and Grounds Department for various purposes. Ayes: Grant, Matthews, Brinkman, Rathbun, Spencer, Pomeroy, and Karnes. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
 - b. Karnes moved, with support by Rathbun, to adopt a resolution to support State Proposal 1 on the August 5, 2014 ballot. Ayes: Grant, Matthews, Brinkman, Rathbun, Spencer, Pomeroy, and Karnes. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
10. Van Wyngarden shared comments about the Township's fireworks ordinance, the upcoming strategic planning session, and some planned vacation time.
11. Matthews commented on the high cost of publishing official Township notices in the Advance, Cadence, and Northwest Advance papers and the sporadic delivery of these papers to residences.

Karnes requested John Short provide some choices of times when Board members could tour the Briggs property that borders the Rogue and Grand Rivers and is contiguous to Grand Isle Park. The property is for sale and Short indicated a grant could be written but time is getting short and a decision should be made soon if the Township wants to own this property. Spencer asked that this be put on the agenda for the 2nd regular meeting in August, which should give Board members time to tour the property. There was discussion about the timetable for Premier Park signage.

12. The meeting adjourned at 8:17 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 July 7, 2014 as approved by the Township Board of Plainfield Charter Township, at which a quorum was present.

Plainfield Charter Township Clerk

Date