



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

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 17, 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, Treasurer Bill Brinkman, Trustees Dave Grant, Vic Matthews, Dale Pomeroy and Jon Rathbun. Also present was Superintendent Cameron Van Wyngarden.
2. The invocation was led by Rathbun.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Grant.
4. There were two public comments.
5. The consent agenda was reviewed and changes were made. Item 5d moved to 10b. Item 10a moved to 5j.
 - a. Approve the March 3, 2014 special meeting minutes
 - b. Approve the March 3, 2014 regular meeting minutes
 - c. Approve the appointment of Deputy Assessor Teresa Zimmerman to serve as the Acting Assessor
 - d. Approve the authorization to enter into a contract with Dixon Engineering to provide engineering and inspection services to the 5 Mile Ground Reservoir and Kroes Elevated Spheroid totaling \$15,618.00
 - e. Approve the proposal from West Michigan Tree Services for tree removal at the Plainfield Cemetery totaling \$17,753.00 as recommended by the Cemetery Advisory Committee
 - f. Approve the recommendation from Supervisor Spencer, and supported by the Historical Preservation Committee, to reappoint LeRoy Benson, Leona Benson, Sue Irvine, Donna Briggs and Sharon Wells for a three year term
 - g. Receive the Fire Department, Building, Ordinance Enforcement, Investment, Passport, and Financial reports for February 2014
 - h. Receive the 2014 annual reports from the North Kent Sewer Authority and the Historical Preservation Committee
 - i. Approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$786,617.91
 - j. Consider the request from Rogueview Community TV for the purchase of editing and organizational equipment, estimated at \$4,989.87, using PEG fees
6. Brinkman moved, with support by Grant, to approve the agenda (including the revised consent agenda and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$786,617.91). Ayes: Brinkman, Grant, Matthews, Spencer, Karnes, Rathbun and Pomeroy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
7. Public Hearing
 - a. There were no comments from the public during the public hearing for an IFT request from Preferred Tool & Die Company, Inc. for a 3 year abatement on personal property totaling \$664,685.00 with a possible 5 year extension.
 - b. Matthews moved, with support by Pomeroy, to adopt a resolution approving the IFT application from Preferred Tool & Die Company, Inc. on personal property totaling \$664,685.00. Ayes: Brinkman, Grant, Matthews, Spencer, Karnes, Rathbun and Pomeroy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
8. Members of the Kent County Sheriff's Department presented the crime statistical reporting data that is now available to the Township. Chief Deputy Michelle Young introduced project manager Lieutenant Steve Chanter and crime analyst Jason Cramer. They provided examples of reports and data analysis the Township can expect to receive on a regular basis going forward and answered questions from Board members.
9. Old Business
 - a. Karnes moved, with support by Grant, to designate up to 30 minutes at the beginning of each regular Board meeting for discussion of consent agenda items. Regular Board meetings will continue to start at 7:00 p.m. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
10. New Business
 - a. Matthews moved, with support by Pomeroy, to approve the recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee to amend the budget to include \$15,000 for the Schrems West Michigan Trout Unlimited river quality improvement projects in the Rogue River watershed as presented on February 18, 2014. Ayes: Brinkman, Grant, Matthews, Spencer, Rathbun and Pomeroy. Nays: Karnes. Motion carried.
 - b. Grant moved, with support by Rathbun, to authorize the Supervisor or Superintendent to enter into a contract with Schrems West Michigan Trout Unlimited for the expenditure of \$15,000 for river quality improvement projects in the Rogue River watershed as presented on February 18, 2014. Ayes: Brinkman, Grant, Spencer, Rathbun and Pomeroy. Nays: Karnes and Matthews. Motion carried.

11. There were no Board discussions.
12. Van Wyngarden had no comments.
13. Board members shared comments.
14. The meeting adjourned at 10:26 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 March 17, 2014 as approved by the Township Board of Plainfield Charter Township, at which a quorum was present.

Plainfield Charter Township Clerk

Date