

**TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2012
AT 7:00 P.M.
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I. CALL TO ORDER James Van Ess called the meeting to order and Brenda Martin opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: James Van Ess, Brenda Martin, Gerald Walt, Clifford Bronkema, Matt Fenske, and Michael Eppink. **Member absent:** Lenore D. Cook

II. CONSENT AGENDA Matthew Fenske moved, Michael Eppink supported, to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2012 regular meeting, to approve the bills to be paid in August of 2012 as presented and to accept as information the treasurer's report, legal update and correspondence if any. Motion CARRIED.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Greg De Young, our County Commissioner, gave the Board an update on what the Commissioners are doing.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing to hear the request of Agape Plastics, Inc of 11474 First Avenue for a P.A. 198 Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate. Michael Eppink moved, Matthew Fenske supported, to open the meeting to the public. Motion CARRIED. Jeff Powers with Agape explained that in 1998 they started construction and employed approx. 90 people. They now employ approx. 142 people and with the expansion and IFT will add another 30 – 35 jobs within a year. Their expansion is amount is over six million dollars. Jeff also brought with him some of the parts and components that they make and assemble to give the Board an idea of what their company does. Michael Eppink moved, Matthew Fenske supported, to close the public hearing. Motion CARRIED. Brenda Martin moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to adopt the resolution granting Agape Plastics, Inc. the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for \$6,103,522 for twelve years both for real and personal properties. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.
- B. First Reading to adopt Zoning Text and Map Ordinance – An ordinance to amend the Tallmadge Charter Township Zoning Ordinance by adding Chapter 9A concerning the “L” Village of Lamont District and by making other related text revisions and by rezoning certain lands to the “L” Village of Lamont District. Jim Storteboom was allowed to comment on his unique property in Lamont.
- C. The Board discussed Fireworks and what action might be taken – do we pass an ordinance now or wait and see what the State of Michigan might do. A copy of an ordinance from Jamestown Township was given to the Board and a decision was made to set this ordinance as a First Reading in September.

VI SUPERVISOR COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Supervisor: Congratulated everyone on being re-elected in the August Primary.
Reported on Bylsma Drive and Daling Court
Will give estimate next month on a possible sign for the Township

Planning Commission: Meeting was cancelled

Zoning Board of Appeals: Meeting was cancelled by applicant

Haz-Mat: Michael Eppink reported that the Fair Week was good despite the hot weather, millage past for the Fire Department Equipment Millage, Saturday the Safety House will be in Coopersville, and Sunday will be the St. Joseph Festival in Marne

VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Fire Department
- B. Fire Board minutes
- C. Sheriff Department
- D. List of Building Permits for July of 2012
- E. Planner and Zoning Enforcer

VIII. ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Brenda Martin, Treasurer