

**TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009
AT 7:00 P.M.
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I. CALL TO ORDER James Van Ess, Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

II. CONSENT AGENDA Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2009 regular meeting, to approve the bills to be paid in September of 2009 as presented, to accept as information the treasurer's report, legal update and correspondence if any. Motion CARRIED.

Supervisor comments:

The Supervisor gave a brief synopsis on what is going on in the Township.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Four residents from Fritz Street approached the Board regarding the burning of leaves and brush in the Township. The Board will look into this matter.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing for Truth in Taxation. Lenore Cook moved, Gerald Walt supported to go to the Public Hearing. Motion CARRIED. There were nine residents present. Jim Uyl, Township Assessor explained what Truth in Taxation is and how it impacts our residents and the Township. The 2009 Taxable Value of all properties in Tallmadge Township will be \$268,077,629 with the maximum allowable millage levy of 1.9029. There were six residents who expressed concerns about the value of homes and the state of the economy. Gerald Walt moved, Michael Eppink supported to close the public hearing after all residents were given the opportunity to speak to the issue. Motion CARRIED. Lenore Cook moved, Gerald Walt supported, to come out from under Truth in Taxation roll back. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Lenore Cook, Gerald Walt, Michael Eppink, James Van Ess, Brenda Martin, Matthew Fenske. Nays: Clifford Bronkema.

B. Matthew Fenske moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to appoint James Van Ess to be a member of the Grand Valley Metro Council. Motion CARRIED.

C. First Reading – Tallmadge Charter Township Dangerous Buildings Ordinance.

D. First Reading – Repeal Ordinance Number 09132005 Illicit Discharge and Connection Ordinance.

E. Matthew Fenske moved, Michael Eppink supported, to repeal Resolution for Urban Cooperation Agreement and Dissolving Urban Cooperation Board. Motion CARRIED.

F. Matthew Fenske moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to table the item to purchase Cemetery Software. Motion CARRIED.

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Fire Department Report

Sheriff Department Report

List of Building Permits issued in August of 2009

Planner and Zoning Enforcer Report

VII. ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lenore D. Cook, Clerk

Attention all Township Residents

You are invited to an Open House on Thursday, October 8, 2009

from 7:00p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

in recognition of

Richard and Lavina Van Beek

and

Henry and Loekie Boersma

**For the selfless dedication and countless hours of
maintaining the Township Cemetery and
preserving the history of the Township**