

**TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2014
AT 7:00 P.M.
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I. CALL TO ORDER James Van Ess, Supervisor, called the meeting to order and opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

II. CONSENT AGENDA Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2014 regular meeting, to approve the bills to be paid in December of 2014 as presented and to accept as information the treasurer's report, legal update, correspondence if any.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Tyler Kempema, the Township Police Officer, gave the board an update.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Township Appointments

1.) Joel Terpstra moved, Gerald Walt supported, to re-appoint Matthew Fenske to the Planning Commission for a three year term. Motion CARRIED.

2.) Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to re-appoint Charles Gilson and Marvin Bennink to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year term. Motion CARRIED

3.) Clifford Bronkema moved, Gerald Walt supported, to re-appoint Timothy Grifhorst and James Szejda to the Board of Review for a two year term. Motion CARRIED.

4.) Joel Terpstra moved, Michael Eppink supported, to re-appoint Gerald Walt and Lenore Cook to the Wright Tallmadge Fire Board for a one year term. Motion CARRIED.

5.) Joel Terpstra moved, Michael Eppink supported, to re-appoint Matthew Boelema as Dangerous Building Inspector for a one year term. Motion CARRIED.

6.) Lenore Cook moved, Gerald Walt supported, to have PCI of Michigan as our Official Building Department for the calendar year 2015. Motion CARRIED.

7.) Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to appoint Todd Forner, Richard Rybinski, Duke Schut and Phil Forner as our Construction Board of Review for the calendar year 2015. Motion CARRIED.

8.) Joel Terpstra moved, Lenore Cook supported, that Ron Bultje, of Scholten and Fant, be designated as Township Attorney for the 2015 calendar year. Motion CARRIED.

9.) Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, that Bob Bruggink, of Moore and Bruggink, be designated as Township Engineer for the 2015 calendar year. Motion CARRIED.

- B.** Joel Terpstra moved, Gerald Walt supported, to set the date for the budget workshop for fiscal year April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016 for Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Motion CARRIED.
- C.** First Reading – Zoning Map Amendment – Evelyn Ruster of 14015 40th Avenue is requesting to rezone parcel number 70-10-06-200-011 from Agricultural to Rural Preserve.
- D.** Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to adopt the Resolution on a Moratorium on the issuance of permits or licenses for Medical Marihuana Provisioning Centers within the Charter Township of Tallmadge. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.
- E.** Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to adopt the Resolution to impose a Moratorium on the issuance of Permits for the Erection or Operation of Digital Signs within the Township. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.

VI SUPERVISOR COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Supervisor: James Van Ess** Working with Agape and the DEQ on wet lands. Received water/ sewer rates from the City of Grand Rapids. Water rates went down 1.97% while sewer rates went up 3.05 %. Traffic study for a light on Lake Michigan Drive and Industrial Park is finished and sent to MDOT. We wait for their response.
- Planning Commission: Joel Terpstra** Planning Commission is working on a Township wide survey and a rezone for Evelyn Ruster.
- Zoning Board of Appeals: Clifford Bronkema** Meeting for two variances.
- Haz-Mat: Michael Eppink:** Approximately 700 runs this year. They are also purchasing new pagers
- Fire Board: Gerald Walt** Fire Board budget hearing is set for Thursday, February 19, 2015 at Noon.

VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Fire Chief Report
- B. Sheriff Department report
- C. List of Building Permits for November of 2014
- D. Planning and Zoning report

VIII. ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lenore D. Cook