

**TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
HELD ON  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017  
AT 7:00 P.M.  
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**I. CALL TO ORDER** James Van Ess, Supervisor, called the meeting to order and Joel Terpstra opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: James Van Ess, Lenore D. Cook, Brenda Martin, Clifford Bronkema, Michael Eppink, Joel Terpstra, Tim Grifhorst.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

Michael Eppink moved, Timothy Grifhorst supported, to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2017 regular meeting and the August 22, 2017 Special Meeting, to approve the bills to be paid in September of 2017 as presented and to accept as information the treasurer's report, legal update, correspondence if any. Motion CARRIED

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** Joe Bush, Water Resource Commissioner, gave a brief overview on what is going on in his office. They have received a grant for a fly over of the county and a grant regarding Sand Creek in Chester and Wright townships. A resident requested the trees in the park be watered again.

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. PUBLIC HEARING Resolution** to grant an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate to Apex Spring and Stamping Corporation located at 11381 First Avenue in the amount of \$2,243,675 for a twelve-year period. Joel Terpstra moved, Clifford Bronkema supported to open the hearing to the public. Motion CARRIED. Dennis Bhaskaran with Apex explained to the Board they propose to construct a new 36,975 square foot warehouse. This project is expected to create 8 new jobs over the next two years. Joel Terpstra moved, Michael Eppink supported to close the hearing to the public. Motion CARRIED. Joel Terpstra moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to adopt the Resolution granting Apex Spring and Stamping a twelve-year Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate in the amount of \$2,243,675. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.

**B. SECOND READING** – Zoning Text Amendment – An Ordinance to Amend by Revising Section 3.02 (D) – Accessory Uses and Buildings, Architecture/Siding of the Zoning Ordinance. Joel Terpstra moved, Clifford Bronkema supported to adopt the

Zoning Text Amendment revising Section 3.02 (D). Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.

**C. SECOND READING** – Zoning Text Amendment – An Ordinance to Amend by Revising Section 3.36 – Non-Motorized Pathways of the Zoning Ordinance. After some discussion Joel Terpstra moved, Timothy Grifhorst supported, to table this Amendment to make the necessary revisions and bring it back next month. Motion CARRIED.

**D. FIRST READING** – Consumer Energy Company Revocable Electric Franchise Ordinance.

**E. FIRST READING** – Tallmadge Charter Township Cemetery Ordinance.

## **VI SUPERVISOR COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Supervisor: James Van Ess Park** The Township has a new Zoning representative in the Township on Mondays and Tuesdays – Andrea Hendrick –

**Planning Commission: Joel Terpstra**

**Zoning Board of Appeals: Clifford Bronkema**

**Fire Board: Timothy Grifhorst**

**Haz-Mat: Michael Eppink** Award given to Andrew Van Overen and Jon Alkema for going above and beyond the call of duty.

**Park Committee: Joel Terpstra**

## **VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- A. Fire Board Minutes
- B. Sheriff Department report
- C. List of Building Permits for August of 2017
- D. Planning and Zoning report
- E.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT** Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Sincerely yours

Lenore D. Cook, Clerk