

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COMMERCE
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

Tuesday, October 10, 2006

2840 Fisher Avenue

Commerce Township, Michigan 48390

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Thomas Zoner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and introduced the members of the Board.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL: Present: Thomas K. Zoner, Supervisor
Sandra Abrams, Clerk
Susan Gross, Treasurer
Debra Kirkwood, Trustee
Robert Long, Trustee
Daniel Munro, Trustee
Rick Sovel, Trustee

Absent: None

Also Present: Phillip Adkison, Township Attorney
Jay James, Giffels-Webster Engineers
Christina Michaels, Township Attorney

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Regular Township Board Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2006.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PRESENTATIONS:

Joseph Schornack, Fire Chief, Life Saving Awards

ITEM 1:10-10 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Agenda as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 2:10-10 Republic Refuse Contract- Fuel Surcharge

MOTION by Sovel, supported by Abrams, to remove Republic Refuse Contract-Fuel Surcharge from the table.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve a fuel surcharge for 2007 in the amount of thirty nine cents (\$.39) per home.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Abrams, Gross, Kirkwood, Sovel, Zoner

NAYS: Long, Munro

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 3:10-10 PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ITEM 4:10-10 PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. High Pointe Road Improvement Special Assessment District Roll Resolution

Supervisor Zoner opened the Public Hearing.

No one present had any comments or objections.

Supervisor Zoner closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Kirkwood, to approve the Resolution Confirming Special Assessment Roll for the Special Assessment District Designated as High Pointe Condominium Road Improvement Special Assessment District.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Abrams, Kirkwood, Gross, Long, Sovel, Munro, Zoner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 5:10-10 BOARD APPOINTMENTS

A. Planning Commission Appointment

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Kirkwood, to approve the appointment of Randall Thomas to the Planning Commission for a term of one year, ending October 13, 2007.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Abrams, Kirkwood, Long, Sovel, Zoner, Gross

NAYS: Munro

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 6:10-10 CONTRACT AWARDS AND AGREEMENTS

A. Snowplowing for 2006-2007 Season

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to table Snowplowing for the 2006-2007 Season.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 7:10-10 INTRODUCTIONS

None

ITEM 8:10-10 ADOPTIONS

A. An Amendment to the Charter Township of Commerce Zoning Ordinance No. 55, Rezone 1390 Laura Lane from R-2B, Two Family Residential, to R-1C, Single Family Residential, to be known as Ordinance No. 55-06-193.

MOTION by Munro, supported by Sovel, to Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Charter Township of Commerce Zoning Ordinance, to be known as Ordinance No. 55-06-193 and to publish and post according to law.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 9:10-10 SITE CONDOMINIUMS AND PLATS

A. Country Estates Final Site Plan

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Munro, to approve the Country Estates Final Site Plan contingent upon final approval by the Township Engineer and Township Attorney.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 10:10-10 PURCHASES

A. Richardson Senior Center Message Sign

MOTION by Munro, supported by Sovel, to allow Trustee Munro to abstain his vote due to the fact he is a member of the church where the proposed sign be purchased.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Long, Sovel, Munro

NAYS: Abrams, Gross, Kirkwood, Zoner

ABSENT: None

MOTION FAILED

MOTION by Munro, supported by Kirkwood, to approve the Richardson Senior Center Message Sign for an amount of \$6500.00, with an additional amount not to exceed \$500.00 for the removal and installation of the sign contingent upon recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Committee in regards to the permanent location of the sign.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Munro, Kirkwood, Zoner, Abrams, Gross

NAYS: Sovel, Long

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Sovel, supported by Long, to direct the Planning Commission to amend the Commerce Township Sign Ordinance to allow for digital signs.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Sovel, Long, Munro

NAYS: Zoner, Abrams, Gross, Kirkwood

ABSENT: Absent

MOTION FAILED

B. Fire Department Rescue Extrication Equipment

Review of the Extrication Equipment was presented.

MOTION by Munro, supported by Sovel, to approve the purchase of Rescue Extrication Equipment for the Fire Department in an amount not to exceed \$5000.00

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Library Disc Resurfacing Machine

MOTION by Kirkwood, supported by Gross, to approve the purchase of a Disc Resurfacing Machine, DiscChek ECO Smart, from RTI for the Township Library in an amount not to exceed \$2985.00, funds to come from the Library budget and to amend the budget accordingly.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 11:10-10 OLD BUSINESS

None

ITEM 12:10-10 NEW BUSINESS

A. Cell Tower at Fire Station #2

ITEM 12:10-10 NEW BUSINESS (continued)

MOTION by Gross, supported by Sovel, to proceed with negotiations for the Cell Tower, to be placed in the rear of Fire Station #2.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Farr Road Paving

MOTION by Sovel, supported by Gross, to deny the request for participation in the Farr Road Paving Project.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Maple Glen Park- Repairs and Maintenance

MOTION by Long, supported by Sovel, to approve request for Interlakes Girls Softball Team to supply labor for repairs and maintenance at Maple Glen Park, supply costs in an amount not to exceed \$5000.00. Funds to come from Parks and Recreation Maintenance Fund.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Halloween Hours

MOTION by Long, supported by Kirkwood, to approve Halloween Hours on October 31, 2006 from Dusk to 8:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 13:10-10 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Zoner, supported by Long, to Enter into Executive Session to consider periodic personnel evaluation of an employee. The employee has requested a closed session.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Zoner, Long, Abrams, Munro, Kirkwood, Sovel, Gross

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Entered into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.
Returned from Executive Session at 9:15 p.m.

ITEM 14:10-10 ORDERS- See Hard Copy

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Kirkwood, to approve the orders with add-ons including an additional add-on of Republic Waste Services.

ITEM 15:10-10 OTHER MATTERS
A. Township Budget Discussion

ITEM 16:10-10 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by , supported by , to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Sandra Abrams, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Commerce