

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

*Tuesday, January 9, 2007*

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Regular Township Board Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2006, as written.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PRESENTATIONS:**

None

**PETITIONS:**

None

**ITEM 1:1-9 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Agenda with the following additions: Move Item H to the beginning of New Business.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 2:1-9 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Earl Whitlock thanked the Township Board for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies.

**ITEM 3:1-9 PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**ITEM 4:1-9 BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

None

**ITEM 5:1-9 CONTRACTS AWARDS AND AGREEMENTS**

None

**ITEM 6:1-9 INTRODUCTIONS**

None

**ITEM 7:1-9 ADOPTIONS**

**A. An Amendment to the Charter Township of Commerce Zoning Ordinance No. 55, to Provide for Pet Services Establishments in the B-2 District to be known as Ordinance No. 55-06-194.**

**MOTION** by Munro, supported by Abrams, to Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Charter Township of Commerce Zoning Ordinance No. 55, to be known as Ordinance No. 55-06-194 and to publish and post according to law.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 8:1-9 SITE CONDOMINIUMS AND PLATS**

None

**ITEM 9:1-9 CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**ITEM 10:1-9 PURCHASES**

None

**ITEM 11:1-9 OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Library Closing Dates for 2007**

**MOTION** by Abrams, supported by Zoner, to approve the Proposed Library Closure Schedule for 2007.

**ITEM 11:1-9 OLD BUSINESS (Motion cont'd)**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES:** Abrams, Zoner, Kirkwood, Sovel

**NAYS:** Long, Munro, Gross

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ITEM 12:1-9 NEW BUSINESS**

**H. Library Resolution**

**MOTION** by Abrams, supported by Kirkwood, to approve the Resolution of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Commerce Re-Establishing Commerce Township Community Library.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**A. Penalty Waiver for Seniors**

**MOTION** by Gross, supported by Abrams, to approve waiver of penalty charges for eligible citizens pursuant to MCL 211.44(3).

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**B. Construction Manager for Sewage Treatment Plant**

Phillip Adkison, Township Attorney, gave a review.

**MOTION** by Munro, supported by Kirkwood, to approve the use of the "At-Risk Construction Manager" for the Sewage Treatment Plant project.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**C. Resolution to Open Land to Limited Use Hunting**

Phillip Adkison, Township Attorney, gave a review.

**MOTION** by Gross, supported by Munro, to approve the Resolution of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Commerce Requesting the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to Open a Portion of Proud Lake Recreation Area to Youth Archery Deer Hunt.

**ITEM 12:1-9 NEW BUSINESS (Motion cont'd)**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**D. DWSD Model Water Contract**

No Action Taken

**E. OCDC Maintenance Assessment for Chapter 20 Drains**

**MOTION** by Long, to table the OCDC Maintenance Assessment for Chapter 20 Drains.

**MOTION DIED LACK OF SUPPORT**

**MOTION** by Abrams, supported by Zoner, to approve the OCDC Maintenance Assessment for Chapter 20 Drains and to amend the Budget accordingly.

Discussion

**MOTION** by Long, supported by Sovel, to table the OCDC Maintenance Assessment for Chapter 20 Drains.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**F. Concept Approval for Tri-Party Funds**

No Action Taken

**G. SAD Dredging Request- Vanstone Special Assessment District**

No Action Taken

**ITEM 13:1-9 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ITEM 14:1-9 ORDERS- See Hard Copy**

**MOTION** by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Orders with add-ons.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 15:1-9 OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD**

Zoner- Sharon Miller, Wolverine Lake Village, invited the Commerce Township Board of Trustees to their meeting on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for Discussion of Rate Study.

**ITEM 16:12-12 ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Zoner, supported by Munro, to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.  
**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Sandra Abrams, CMC  
Clerk, Charter Township of Commerce