

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

Tuesday, October 12, 2010

2009 Township Drive
Commerce Township, Michigan 48390

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Thomas Zoner called the meeting to order at 7:30 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

Also Present: Phillip Adkison, Township Attorney
Hans Rentrop, Township Attorney
Loren Crandell, Giffels-Webster Engineers

Students from Lakeland High School were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Special Township Board meeting minutes of September 14, 2010, the Regular Township Board meeting minutes of September 14, 2010, the Special Township Board meeting minutes of September 21, 2020 and the Special Township Board meeting minutes of September 28, 2010, as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PRESENTATIONS:

A. Lakes Area Youth Assistance

Jodi Gallo and Deb Lindsey were present to give a presentation on the Lakes Area Youth Assistance and to ask for continued support from the Township.

B. HAVEN

Presentation will be made at the next regular meeting.

PETITIONS:

None

ITEM 1:10-12 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Agenda with the addition of Union Negotiations under Closed Session.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 2:10-12 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one present had any comments.

ITEM 3:10-12 PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Township Police Protection Special Assessment

Supervisor Thomas Zoner opened the Public Hearing.

Peter Unick, 2719 Welch Road, objects to the Police and Fire Special Assessment because he does not want to see any funds going from the Special Assessment Fund into the General Fund. Supervisor Thomas Zoner explained that funds will not be transferred into the General Fund. After hearing Supervisor Thomas Zoner's explanation, Mr. Unick withdrew his objection.

A resident was present to advise the Township Board that he is not opposed to the Police and Fire Special Assessment but he would like to see an improvement to services provided by the Police and Fire Departments.

One letter of objection was received from Michael D. Marra, 1015 Seager Drive,

Supervisor Thomas Zoner closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION by Sovel, supported by Gross, to approve the Township Police Protection Special Assessment District Resolution of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Commerce Determining to Establish a Ten Year Special Assessment District to Fund Police Protection Operations and Supporting Structures, Equipment, and Related Costs and Approving Estimates of Costs Therefore. Resolution attached.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NAYS:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 3:10-12 PUBLIC HEARINGS (continued)

B. Township Fire Protection Special Assessment

Supervisor Thomas Zoner opened the Public Hearing.

No one present had any objections.

Supervisor Thomas Zoner closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Township Fire Protection Special Assessment District Resolution of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Commerce Determining to Establish a Ten Year Special Assessment District to Fund Fire Protection Operations and Supporting Structures, Equipment, and Related Costs and Approving Estimates of Costs Therefore. Resolution attached.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NAYS:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Special Projects No. 31

Supervisor Thomas Zoner opened the Public Hearing.

Peter Unick, 2719 Welch Road, would like to see an explanation of the hearing on the publication.

Supervisor Thomas Zoner closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Resolution of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Commerce Determining to Undertake an Improvement Project and to Establish and Maintain a Special Assessment District to Pay Costs Associated Therewith and Approving the Plans and Estimates of Costs Therefore, Special Projects No. 31. Resolution attached.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NAYS:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 4:10-12 BOARD APPOINTMENTS

None

ITEM 5:10-12 CONTRACT AWARDS AND AGREEMENT

A. Snow Plow Bids 2010/2011

MOTION by Munro, supported by Long, to approve the Snow Plow Contract to the low bidder, Chad's Landscaping, Inc. for the Township Hall, Old Fire Station, Fire Stations 1, 2, 3 and 4, Community Library, Richardson Senior Center, Cemeteries (Commerce Township Burying Ground/Mascord, Curtis Addition, Richardson and Commerce Memorial) and Mt. Royal Subdivision at a cost of \$11,150.00 for an unlimited/per season service. Contract attached.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. MEMAC

Joseph Schornack, Fire Chief, explained the Michigan Emergency Management Assistance Compact (MEMAC).

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the Resolution of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Commerce Authorizing Entry into the Michigan Emergency Assistance Compact. Resolution attached.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 6:10-12 INTRODUCTIONS

None

ITEM 7:10-12 ADOPTIONS

None

ITEM 8:10-12 SITE CONDOMINIUMS AND PLATS

None

ITEM 9:10-12 CONSENT AGENDA

None

ITEM 10:10-12 PURCHASES

None

ITEM 11:10-12 OLD BUSINESS

None

ITEM 12:10-12 NEW BUSINESS

A. Liquor License Application Award

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to Table Liquor License Application Award.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Abrams, Gross, Sovel

NAYS: Long, Zoner, Kirkwood, Munro

MOTION FAILED

MOTION by Zoner, supported by Abrams, to approve the Resolution for a Class C Liquor License to The Village Grill contingent upon the following: The license shall not transfer out of the boundaries of Commerce Township and the Township Clerk shall not finalize the documentation until receipt of a written report from the Oakland County Sheriffs Department.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NAYS: Gross

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 13:10-12 ORDERS

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Gross, to approve the orders and additions.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 14:10-12 OTHER MATTERS

ITEM 15:10-12 CLOSED SESSION

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Sovel, to enter into Closed Session to discuss attorney/client privilege Information and union negotiations

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NAYS:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Entered into Closed Session 8:17 p.m.

Returned from Closed Session 9:45 p.m.

MOTION by Zoner, supported by Gross, to approve the minutes of the Closed Session. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION by Sovel, supported by Long to put a moratorium on acceptance and/or approval or denial of medical marijuana applications

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Sovel, Long

NAYS: Gross, Kirkwood, Munro, Abrams, Zoner

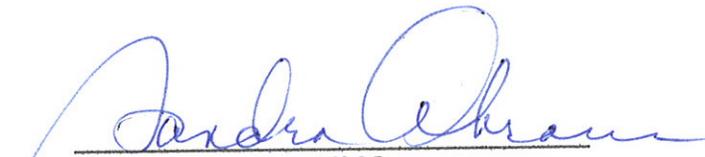
MOTION FAILED

ITEM 16:10-12 ADJOURNMENT

As there were no other matters to come before the Board.

MOTION by Abrams, supported by Munro, to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Sandra Abrams, MMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Commerce