

**TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2015
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, Gerald Walt, Clifford Bronkema, Michael Eppink, Joel Terpstra.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Gerald Walt moved, Joel Terpstra supported, to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2015 regular meeting, the February 17, 2015 budget workshop meeting, approve the bills to be paid in March of 2015 as presented and to accept as information the treasurer's report, legal update, correspondence if any.

Motion CARRIED.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Dennis Van Dam, District Director for Arlan Meekhof, informed the Board on what is going on in Lansing and answered any questions the Board had.

Matthew Fenske, Township Commissioner with Ottawa County, also updated the Board on the workings of Ottawa County.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing – to adopt budgets for fiscal year April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016.

Gerald Walt moved, Clifford Bronkema supported to open the meeting to the public. Motion CARRIED. As there were no one present Lenore Cook moved, Joel Terpstra supported, to close the meeting to the public. Motion CARRIED.

- 1.) Joel Terpstra moved, Michael Eppink supported to give the Supervisor, Treasurer and Clerk a 5% increase in salary. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote. Gerald Walt moved, Michael Eppink supported, to approve the budget for General Fund 101 for fiscal year April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.
- 2.) Lenore D. Cook moved, Brenda Martin supported, to approve the budget for Wright Tallmadge Fire Dept Operating (206) as recommended by the W/T Fire Board for fiscal year April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.
- 3.) Brenda Martin move, Michael Eppink supported, to approve the budget for Wright Tallmadge Fire Dept Equipment (208) as recommended by the W/T Fire Board for fiscal year April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. Motion CARRIED by a unanimous roll call vote.

B. Clifford Bronkema moved, Brenda Martin supported, to approve the application from Striders, Inc. for the purpose of conducting a 10 mile run and a 5K run on April 11, 2015 as recommended by our planner, fire chief and township deputy. Motion CARRIED.

- C. Joe Bush, Ottawa County Drain Commissioner, reported on Belle Cook Drain progress, reseeding of 12th Avenue, Agape, Inc and the mitigating of their wetlands and cleaning of the Friar Kimble.
- D. Michael Eppink moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to adopt Resolution of Approval to support the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Application for a grant to develop Phase 2 of the North Bank Trail in Crockery Township. Motion CARRIED.
- E. Gerald Walt moved, Joel Terpstra supported, to recommend to the Planning Commission that they update Section 1, 20.03 Penalties. The Board recommends the penalty amounts be raised to \$250, \$500, and \$1000. Motion CARRIED

VI SUPERVISOR COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Supervisor: James Van Ess . Working on Indian Trails water main with the City of Grand Rapids, Nutra Pak expansion, Sessions Point Phase II, Tallmadge Woods modification of Condo Project.

Planning Commission: Joel Terpstra Another building in Commerce Park

Zoning Board of Appeals: Clifford Bronkema

Haz-Mat: Michael Eppink

VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Fire Chief Report
- B. Sheriff Department report
- C. List of Building Permits for February of 2015
- D. Planning and Zoning report
- E. Fire Board report

VIII. ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lenore D. Cook