

**TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD ON
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015
AT 7:00 P.M.
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I. CALL TO ORDER James Van Ess, Supervisor, called the meeting to order and opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: James Van Ess, Lenore D. Cook, Brenda Martin, Gerald Walt, Clifford Bronkema, Michael Eppink, and Joel Terpstra.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Joel Terpstra moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2015 regular meeting, approve the bills to be paid in May of 2015 as presented and to accept as information the treasurer's report, legal update, correspondence if any.

Motion CARRIED.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Matthew Fenske, County Commissioner, gave the Board an update on Luce Street Bridge, Parks Department, Ground Water Task Force, Legislative Forum, MSU Annual Report.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Joel Terpstra moved, Lenore D. Cook supported, to purchase a three phase generator which would give emergency power to both the Township Hall and the Fire Station. Cost not to exceed \$26,000. Ayes: Van Ess, Cook, Martin, Terpstra, Bronkema, Eppink. Nays: Walt. Motion CARRIED.
- B.** First Reading – Zoning Text Amendment – An Ordinance to amend the Tallmadge Charter Township Zoning Ordinance by restating Section 20.03 concerning Penalties for Violation of the Zoning Ordinance.
- C.** A rough draft of the Cemetery Ordinance was given to all Board members for discussion and review at our next meeting.
- D.** Motion was made by Gerald Walt, supported by Lenore Cook to change our June meeting to June 16, 2015 in lieu of the scheduled June 9, 2015 meeting. Motion CARRIED.

VI SUPERVISOR COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Supervisor: James Van Ess

- + Will have a Fire Ordinance for the Board at our July meeting
- + Agape Plastics received a one year DEQ permit
- + Working with the City of Grand Rapids on water service to Aman Park
- + Flooding on Begole Street
- + Mining permit extension

Planning Commission: Joel Terpstra

- + Agape Plastics, Tallmadge Woods, Lamont Civic Association, Mining Permit Extension, Master Plan.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Clifford Bronkema

- + June 2, 2015 Meeting

Fire Board: Gerald Walt

- + June 2, 2015 Meeting at Wright Township

Haz-Mat: Michael Eppink

- + Had a meeting and tech rescue. Need more people

Park Committee: Joel Terpstra

- + Have formed a committee and have had one meeting.

Fire Chief: Michael Gavin

- + Michael Gavin was at the meeting and reported to the Board regarding number of calls in the month, replacement of turnout gear, some of the firemen have completed their academy training.

VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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

VIII. ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lenore D. Cook