

**MINUTES OF GAINES CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
FOR THE Regular MEETING
May 10, 2010**

Present: Hilton, Osterink, Fouch, Fryling, Lemke, Haagsma, VanLaan

Also present Township Engineer Gritter

Haagsma offered opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hilton at 7:00 p.m.

2. Motion by VanLaan and supported by Haagsma to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: All

3. Recognition of individuals or delegations in the audience

- Mr. Olan Tucker spoke to the Board about opening a "Medical Marihuana Learning Center"
- Ken Yonker, Candidate for the 72nd District House of Representatives for Michigan introduced himself.

4. Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanLaan to approve the consent agenda including payments for April 3 through May 1, 2010 in the amount of \$94,177.53

Ayes: Fryling, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma

5. **Clerk's Department-** Osterink presented Resolution 10-04 for 2010 elections to create and operate a receiving Board.

Motion by Osterink and supported by Lemke to adopt Resolution 10-04 as presented.

Ayes: Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma, Fryling

6. Water and Sewer Department

A. Variance Request for 677 100th Street.

Gritter presented the recommendation of the water and sewer committee to grant a variance to the ordinance and allow alternate construction material as approved and noted in the water and sewer committee meeting of April 30, 2010.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Fryling to approve the recommendation of the water and sewer committee as presented.

Ayes: Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch

B. Installment Payment Plan request

Gritter presented the recommendation of the Water and sewer committee that the owners of 6339 Wing Avenue be allowed to pay connection fees on an installment plan set up by the water and sewer department.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Fryling to approve the recommendation of the committee as presented.

Ayes: Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch, Osterink

C. Grand Mobile Home Park Containment Program

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanLaan to approve using BGUA staff to do the work on the containment project, awarding the bid for the equipment building to Kilgore Builders, Inc.

Ayes: Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton

D. Gritter reported that the rates had been received from the cities of Wyoming and Grand Rapids and calculations and deliberations on our rates would follow.

7. **Treasurer's Department-** Treasurer Lemke presented the quarterly reports for the first quarter of 2010.

Motion by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to accept the 1st quarter 2010 unaudited fund reports.

Ayes: VanLaan, Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke

8. Planning and Zoning Department

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanLaan to adopt Ordinance 10-03 reauthorizing the Planning Commission of Gaines Township.

Ayes: Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan

9. Engineer's Department- Dutton Fire Station

Gritter presented the current drawings of the floor plan for the Dutton Fire Station. Several comments and questions from the Board were addressed.

Motion by Fouch and supported by Lemke to accept the floor plan and presented and authorize moving ahead with the construction.

Ayes: Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma Nays: Fryling

10. Supervisor's Office

Bridge Evidence Group- Fundraiser Request- Diane Hartig represented the group and presented the request for Gaines Township to "recognize them as a nonprofit organization" in order to receive a charitable gaming license. Discussion followed on what the activities were going to be.

Motion by VanLaan and supported by Haagsma to approve the resolution but inserting "raffles only" into the document

Ayes: Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma, Fouch Nays: Fryling

- Hilton wanted it made clear that this resolution does not imply any endorsement of the requesting group.

B. Individuals who wished to address the Board

- Mr. Donald Michaud of 7311 Crystal View Dr. addressed the Board concerning lawn maintenance or lack of maintenance of his neighbors. Supervisor Hilton directed him toward the Planning Commission.

C. **Liquor Control Ordinance Amendment- 1st read.**

D. Per Time maintenance contracts

Motion by VanLaan and supported by Haagsma to approve the “general scope” of contracts as submitted.

Ayes: Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma, Fouch, Osterink Abstain: Fryling

E. Summer Recreation with Byron Township

Hilton explained that this item was budgeted for 2010 but that Board approval was sought by him at this meeting.

Motion by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to approve the commitment to Byron Township for the summer recreation program for Gaines Township residents.

Ayes: Lemke, Haagsma, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton Nays: Fryling, VanLaan

F. Consumer Energy Franchise Gas Agreement

Motion by Fryling and supported by Haagsma to direct the Supervisor and Clerk to enter into the agreement with Consumers’ Energy for gas distribution as provided at the meeting.

Ayes: VanLaan, Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke

G. Contract for snowplowing for the 2010-2011 Snow Removal season

Motion by Fryling and supported by Fouch to approve the recommendation of the building and grounds committee and go out for bids for the 2010-11 season including the 2011-12 season.

Ayes: Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan

H. Recommendation by the Insurance Committee

Hilton presented a document prepared by the Insurance committee in regards to health and dental insurance. Several changes would be made to the insurance as outlined in the document.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Osterink to approve the recommendations of the Insurance Committee as presented in the document dated May 10, 2010.

Ayes: Haagsma, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke Nays: VanLaan, Fryling

11. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 9:15 p.m. by Fryling and supported by Haagsma

Ayes: all

The next regular meeting of the Gaines Charter Township Board will be held on June 14, 2010 in the Board room of the Township Offices. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate. Persons with disabilities needing accommodation for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Township Office at 698-6640 one week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

Don R. Hilton Sr., Supervisor

Crystal Osterink, Clerk