

**MINUTES OF GAINES CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**FOR THE Regular MEETING**  
April 11, 2011

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

Absent with notice: Haagsma

Also present: Engineer Gritter, Planner Tingley, Fire Chief Jansen

Fryling 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 Fryling and supported by VanLaan to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: all

3. Persons in the audience were given opportunity to address the Board

- Mr. Gary Baar, 6874 Hammond showed a picture of a bench that will be purchased with contribution money for the Veteran's Memorial in the Dutton area. He also mentioned that Dutton was having an Easter Egg Hunt and activities on April 23, at 10:00 a.m.

4. Brian Bangma of 42.85 Event described a bicycle time trial event to be held on Memorial Day and the request for use of Gaines Township roads for the event.

5. Motion by Lemke and supported by VanLaan to approve the consent agenda including payment of the bills for March 22 through April 5, 2011 in the amount of \$99,525.35.

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

6. Russ Jansen, Fire Chief gave an update on Goal Area 3 of the Strategic Plan

Brian Tingley, Township Planner gave an update on Goal Area 4 of the Strategic Plan

**7. Water and Sewer Department**

A. Amendment to Appendix D of the Water and Sewer Ordinance

Engineer Gritter introduced the ordinance to amend the water and sewer ordinance and entertained questions about it.

Motion by Fryling and supported by Fouch to adopt Ordinance 11-05 an Ordinance to amend Ordinance 08-03 relating to the connecting to and use of the public sewer system.

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

B. Engineer Gritter introduced the First Amendment to the 2006 Wastewater Disposal Agreement and entertained questions about it.

Motion by Fryling and supported by VanLaan to adopt Resolution 11-06 to approve and authorize execution to first amendment to 2006 wastewater disposal agreement

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

## 8. Planning and Zoning Department

### A. Ordinance 11-02 Text amendment for Billboard Regulations

Motion by Fouch and supported by Lemke to adopt ordinance 11-02 an ordinance making text amendments to the Gaines Charter Township Zoning Ordinance, on accordance with Section 27.2- Initiation of Amendments. The text amendments involve the revision of Section 17.12 of the Gaines Charter Township Zoning Ordinance regarding the regulation of billboards.

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

### B. PUD Amendment 6333 Kalamazoo Ave SE

Planner Tingley introduced the amendment and entertained questions about it.

Motion by Fryling and supported by VanLaan to approve the PUD amendment for 6333 Kalamazoo Ave SE (Crossings Retail Center) for drive through windows

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

### C. 1st Read of Ordinance 11-04 Zoning Map Amendment for 280 60<sup>th</sup> Street SE Rezoning from R-3 Multiple Family Residential to O-S Office Service.

## 9. Treasurer's Department

Lemke reported that the Parks and Recreation Committee is planning a Harvest Festival in Prairie Wolf Park and would like approval for the date of October 8, 2011.

Motion by VanLaan and supported by Fouch to approve October 8, 2011 for the Gaines Township Harvest Festival in Prairie Wolf Park.

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

## 10. Supervisor's Department

### A. West Michigan Stage Race Memorial Day 2011.

Motion by Fouch and supported by VanLaan to approve use of the Gaines Township roads as requested with the conditions that all other requirements normally required be presented and approved.

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

### B. New Staffing Model for Planning/Zoning and Building Department

Hilton presented a reorganization model for the Planning/Zoning and Building Departments and questions followed. No motion was made.

### C. Liquor License Renewal Approval.

Motion by Osterink and supported by Fouch to approve the renewals of liquor licenses for Logan's, Applebee's, and Briarwood Golf Course.

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

D. Firearms Ordinance Amendment

Motion by Fouch and supported by Lemke to adopt ordinance 11-03 an ordinance to amend sections 12-9(m), 28.178, and 28.179 of the code of ordinances for Gaines Charter Township regarding firearms and the discharge of weapons in township parks, cemeteries, and buildings

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

E. Consumers Energy Gas Franchise Ordinance 11-06 - 1<sup>st</sup> Read

F. Time Clock Memorandum to staff

Motion by VanLaan and supported by Lemke to approve for distribution the Memorandum from the Personnel Committee to staff in regards to time clock procedures.

Ayes: Osterink, Lemke, VanLaan, Fryling, Fouch

G. Engineer Gritter gave a brief update to progress in the Dutton Fire Station

11. Persons in the audience were given opportunity to address the Board.

- Mr. Gary Baar asked about progress on the location of the Veteran's Memorial.

12. Hilton mentioned that DTE was willing to give \$1,000.00 in reimbursement for the damage which occurred 12/20/2010 to street lighting cables owned by Gaines and Byron Township.

13. Motion by Fouch and supported by Fryling to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Ayes: All

The next regular meeting of the Gaines Charter Township Board will be held on May 9, 2011 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.

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Don R. Hilton Sr., Supervisor

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Crystal Osterink, Clerk