

**MINUTES OF GAINES CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
FOR THE Regular MEETING
June 13, 2011**

Present: Hilton, Osterink, VanLaan, Lemke, Fouch, Fryling, Haagsma
Water and Sewer Administrator Jan Boone, Fire Chief Jansen
Osterink 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 Fouch and supported by Haagsma to approve the agenda as presented.
Ayes: all

3. 2010 Audit presentation by Dan Veldhuizen, Siegfried, Crandall PC

7:06 Trustee Fryling arrived at the meeting.

4. Representative Ken Yonker highlighted a few items happening on the state level that he believed would be of interest to the Township.

5. Motion by VanLaan and supported by Fouch to approve the consent agenda including payment of bills for May 10 through June 7, 2011 in the amount of \$159,085.75.
Ayes: Fryling, Fouch, Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma

6. Water and Sewer Department/Committee recommendation for shut-off policy

- Engineer Gritter presented the policy and indicated that the Committee had approved presenting it to the Township Board. Discussion followed on the current status of unpaid bills and the process to receive the money.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanLaan to approve the "shut off" policy as presented by the Water and Sewer Committee.

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

7. Assessing Department 2011 Tax Rate Request

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanLaan to approve the the 2011 millage rate of .8720.
Ayes: Osterink, Hilton, Lemke, VanLaan, Haagsma, Fryling, Fouch

8. Engineer Gritter presented the **bids for the Dutton Fire Station Sign.**

Motion by Fouch and supported by Fryling to accept the bid of Postema Signs for manufacture and installation of the sign.

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

9. Engineer Gritter reported on the library parking lot striping and the process to approve the bid.

Trustee Fryling left the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

10. Dutton Fire Station Rental of Training Room

- Discussion followed on the policy presented to rent the training room of the newly constructed Dutton Fire Station.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Hilton to approve the policy with a few minor additions.

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

Motion fails

11. Right Place Resolution for contribution

- Discussion followed on adding an “opt out” clause to the resolution as the initial motion and support was given including a yearly option to continue or not with the contribution.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Fouch to approve Resolution 11-07 to approve and confirm pledge of payments to the Right Place, a nonprofit economic development organization, in consideration of economic development services and other value and benefits to be received by the township

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

12. Motion by Fouch and supported by Haagsma to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

Ayes: all

The next regular meeting of the Gaines Charter Township Board will be held on July 11, 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.

Don R. Hilton Sr., Supervisor

Crystal Osterink, Clerk