

**KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING**

October 19, 2009

4884 W. Curtis St

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lawrence J. Palma, Supervisor
Marvin Besteman, Clerk
Ed DeWitt, Trustee
Brenda Case, Trustee
Harvey O'Brien, Trustee
David Kauer, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT

Julie Munro, Treasurer

Also, present Sheila Gaines, Dorothy Johnson, Mike Hoolsema, Bill Palmer, Norm Perkins and Jamie Davison.

Attendance 15

Supervisor Palma called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Trustee Kauer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#1 MOVED: by David Kauer, second by Brenda Case, to approve the October 19, 2009, meeting agenda with addition of request from Sault Area Race Association and Deputy Johnsons pay and benefits. Motion carried.

#2 MOVED: by David Kauer, second by Harvey O'Brien, to accept the October 5, 2009, regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

#3 MOVED: by Ed Dewitt, second by Harvey O'Brien, to pay the following bills.

General Fund	19,181.51
Fire Fund	508.15
Ambulance Fund	34,839.98
Property Management Fund	18,167.48
Trail Grooming Fund	470.19
Parks Fund	1,632.64
Recreation Center Fund	5,871.56
Fairgrounds Fund	3,299.12
Golf Course Fund	29,194.31
Public Works Fund	67,324.98
Police Fund	11,258.93

Grand Total \$191,748.85

Ck# 36019-36091

Motion carried with one no vote.

Tony from ETNA Supply explained the benefits of the Flex Net Auto Meter Readers. The readers automatically download reads daily saving utility personnel from reading manually. This program will also allow the township to find leaks quicker, process final accounts faster and forgo the need to estimate during the winter months. Future models will have the ability to turn water on and off from the office. The cost estimated at about \$217,000.00 plus yearly software support could be done over a period of time and not all at once.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Traffic Specialty, where the township purchases signs, donated the street signs in memory of Christopher Griffin who died serving in Afghanistan.

#4 MOVED: by David Kauer, second by Harvey O'Brien, to send a letter of thanks to Traffic Specialty for their donation. Motion carried.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Palma informed the Board that the trees were purchased with the three thousand dollars in grant money from DTE and they have all been planted in the township.

The Planning Commission recommended that the Board move forward with the combined water & sewer ordinance.

Board discussed the proposed rate increase for the township hall.

Grooming Coordinator Davison requested authorization to purchase a new drag for the groomer with a hundred percent reimbursement from a DNR grant.

#5 MOVED: by Marvin Besteman, second by Harvey O'Brien, to allow Jamie Davison to purchase a new drag for the groomer in the amount of eleven thousand five hundred ninety six dollars with grant money from the DNR. Motion carried.

#6 MOVED: by Ed DeWitt, second by David Kauer, to allow Jamie Davison to attend the 2010 PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando, Florida cost not to exceed six hundred dollars for travel and show cost. Motion carried.

#7 MOVED: by David Kauer, second by Brenda Case, to allow Rec Director Frasure to purchase a new freezer for the Rec Center cost not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars. Motion carried.

#8 MOVED: by David Kauer, second by Brenda Case, to approve the EUPHA 2010 fairground rental dates of June 4, 5, 6, 25, 26, 27 and July 9, 10, 11, 30, 31 and August 1, 2010. Motion carried.

The Board requested that the Recreation Center look into the cost of filing for a new 501c3 instead of reinstating the old one at a cost of four hundred dollars.

Board requested that the Personnel Committee work on a policy & procedure for the employee time clocks prior to approving any maintenance agreements with Cincinnati Time.

The Road Advisory Committee met on September 22, 2009 recommending that the Board speak with Rudyard Township about resurfacing Ploegstra Road from Johnson to Tilson Road. Make

arrangements with the Road Commission to seal up the road cracks in Kincheloe. Repair the curving in the residential area that has been damaged by plow trucks and that all future resurfacing projects include paved shoulders or aprons.

#9 MOVED: by Harvey O'Brien, second by David Kauer, to precede with the amendments to the Health Insurance Ordinance #58. Motion carried.

#10 MOVED: by Ed DeWitt, second by Brenda Case, to approve the repairs to the Caretakers house at the Golf Course cost not to exceed two thousand dollars. Motion carried.

Board scheduled a special meeting for October 26, 2009, at 7:00PM for review and discussion of refuse bids.

#11 MOVED: by Harvey O'Brien, second by Brenda Case, to allow the Sault Area Race Association to store their trailer under the grand stands at the fairgrounds for the winter providing they accept responsibility for any damage and provide insurance at their cost. Motion carried.

Trustee Case explained that Dorothy Johnson was appointed part-time Deputy Supervisor on January 5, 2009 and was approved for full-time status September 8, 2009 and requested that her benefits date back to January 5, 2009.

#12 MOVED: by Brenda Case, second by Harvey O'Brien, to approve Deputy Johnsons pay and benefits effective January 5, 2009. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board received meeting minutes from the Police Board, Planning Commission, Park & Rec Committee and Road Advisory Committee.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Board reviewed reports from Golf Course Superintendent Palmer and Chief of Police Micolo.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident stated that she has noticed the improvement in the residential area as well as the Golf Course property. Thanking those who made the effort to get things cleaned up.

CORRESPONDENCE

Fire Department Grant support letter received from Carl Levin.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Marvin Besteman, Clerk

Lawrence Palma, Supervisor