

TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
TUESDAY, AUGUST 09, 2005
REGULAR MEETING

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** William Wiersma, Supervisor, called the meeting to order with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.
Members present: William Wiersma, Frank Sessions, Lenore D. Cook, Gerald Walt, Clifford Bronkema, Roy Bolthouse, Lester Langeland. Also present was Ron Bultje, Township Attorney.
- II. **CONSENT AGENDA** Gerald Walt moved, Roy Bolthouse supported, to approve the minutes of the minutes of the July 12, 2005 regular meeting, approve the bills as presented, and accept as information the treasurer's report, legal updates and correspondence if any. Motion CARRIED.
- III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** Ken Rizzio with the Ottawa County Economic Development Office gave an activity report for the first half of 2005. See attached report.
- IV. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
The Planning Commission at its June 2005 meeting recommended to the Township Board that they deny the request of Verizon Wireless for a Special Use Permit to construct a wireless communication facility at 3186 Lake Michigan Drive. This parcel – 70-10-21-300-008 is zoned R-1. The Township Board at its July 2005 tabled this request for additional information and study. Gerald Walt moved, Roy Bolthouse supported to go into closed sessions to consider a legal opinion from our attorney. Motion CARRIED. Gerald Walt moved, Roy Bolthouse supported, to go back to our regular meeting. Motion CARRIED. Lester Langeland moved, Gerald Walt supported, to send this matter back to the Planning Commission with recommendation from the Board that they reconsider this request. Motion CARRIED.
- V. **NEW BUSINESS**
- A. Request for a Renaissance Recovery Zone from Imperial Laser Cutting Solutions, Inc. of 0-111285 First Street NW. Two years ago the state looked at the Tool and Die Industry and their loss of work due to overseas competition. The state has created 20 zones with free tax status for up to 15 years. The industry must form a collaborative with a minimum of four in each collaborative. Imperial Laser is part of such a collaborative and is requesting Township approval before State approval. Lester Langeland moved, Frank Sessions supported, to adopt a Resolution to grant their request for 15 years with a five-year penalty clause. See attached Resolution. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Wiersma, Sessions, Cook, Walt, Bronkema, Bolthouse, Langeland. Nays: None. Motion CARRIED.
- B. Frank Sessions moved, Gerald Walt supported, to hold a Public Hearing for Truth in Taxation at our September 13, 2005 meeting at 7:30 p.m.

- C. Lenore Cook moved, Frank Sessions supported, to accept the bid of Schippers Excavating, Inc. for \$836,801.00 for the 8th Avenue/Leonard Street area Sanitary Trunk Sewer and Sewage Pumping Station project, pending financial confirmation from Ottawa County. Frank Sessions moved, Clifford Bronkema supported, to excuse Roy Bolthouse from voting due to conflict of interest. Motion CARRIED. Roll Call Vote on bid acceptance. Ayes: Sessions, Cook, Langeland, Walt, Wiersma. Nays: Bronkema. Motion CARRIED.
- D. Park Maintenance The upkeep of the park was discussed. Mark Datema will remove a dead tree from the park and will mow the park every other week. The park baths will be repaired.

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Fire Department Report
- B. Sheriff Department Report
- C. List of Building Permits issued in July of 2005
- D. Planner and Zoning Enforcer Report

VII. ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Lenore D. Cook, Clerk