

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF IRONWOOD
PUBLIC HEARING SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25, 2008

AGENDA:

OPEN SPECIAL MEETING;

ROLL CALL: Supervisor Rick Estola, Clerk Gayla Salmi, Treasurer Jyl Olson.

TRUSTEES: Marilyn Partyka, John Suutla, Frank Genisot, and Bernie Brunello.

GUESTS: Jean Verbos Administrator GRWA, and Randy Scott Wilcox engineering.

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Greg Degrave, Ken Nikula, Clarence Fredrickson, Ray Begalle, Pat Begalle, Bob Fredrickson, Bruce Edyvean, Armand Dalio, Robert Burchell, Ethel Vizanko.

A motion to open the public hearing offered by Mr. Suutala supported by Mr. Estola.

Roll call vote: Estola, Olson, Partyka, Suutala, Genisot, Brunello, Salmi.

AYES: Estola, Olson, Partyka, Suutala, Genisot, Brunello, Salmi.

NAYS: none.

ABSENT: none.

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

Reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto.

- The clerk reported that the proper Notice of the hearing on these matters had been published in the Daily Globe newspaper on September 15, 2008, and September 25, 2008 and had been mailed by first class mail to each property owner within the proposed assessment district as shown on the current tax rolls of the township on September 15, 2008. Affidavits of publications and mailing of these Notices were then presented and filed as part of the records of the meeting.
- The supervisor next called for written objections or comments to implementing Special Assessment District.
- Written correspondence were read as follows:
Armand and Ninetta DaLio : Special Assessment District: Water System 08
This letter serves as a protest to the above referenced special assessment.
I am the owner of a parcel of land in Ironwood Township located between Section 12 Road and the old Mama-Gets Restaurant, fronting on U.S. Highway 2. I have owned this land for over 30 years.
I have been notified that you are planning a water supply improvement through my property, and are planning on assessing me, based on approximately 1300 feet of highway frontage value.
Most of my highway frontage value is un-developable, due to wetlands. Seaman's Creek runs through my entire parcel. Only a portion of this land is developable. I feel that your assessor needs to reevaluate my parcel, so that I am charged appropriately for this special assessment.
Your special assessment figure would be a hardship for me and my wife, as we are retired.
I protest this assessment you are planning on charging and ask that you provide me with the appraisal data supporting the special assessment of my property, explaining why my parcel is assessed at the same rate as developable parcel. Thank you, Armand and Ninetta Dalio 1201 E. Florence St. Ironwood, Mi. 49938.

Questions and comments:

Mr. Bob Burchell also spoke on behalf of Armand and Ninetta Dalio regarding the assessed value of the property in question.

Mr. Scott- Wilcox explained that there are a number of ways to assess property. This special assessment district is based upon front footage. It is the most fair way spreading the assessment over the whole district.

Mr Burchell asked if any new users/developers would have to pay the assessment as well?

Mr. Scott- any tap ins will have to pay the special assessment.

How many feet are in the district-?

Mr. Scott- 44, 454 feet.

Mr. Edevean- where will the shut offs be for each parcel?

Mr. Scott- each parcel- and 4 plexes will have a meter each and a corporate stop. Must have copper line installed. Also if the homeowner would like the hook up at a different location than current if they make their home ready for this it can be done. There will be a permit process, and in that permit you will be able to make these types of requests.

At 5:20 p.m. hearing no other comment, a motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mrs. Partyka to adjourn the public Hearing, and reconvene the Special Meeting.

The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Estola, Salmi, Olson, Partyka Suutala, Genisot, and Brunello.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

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At 5:21 p.m. the special meeting was reconvened.

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Supervisor Estola presents implementing the Special Assessment District.

A motion offered by Ms. Salmi supported by Mr. Estola to accept the Special assessment roll as presented.

The motion carried on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote: Estola, Olson, Partyka, Suutala, Genisot, Brunello, Salmi.

AYES: Estola, Olson, Partyka, Suutala, Genisot, Brunello, & Salmi

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

At 5:23 p.m. a motion offered by Ms. Olson supported by Mrs. Partyka to adjourn the special meeting.

The motion carried.

Rick Estola, Supervisor

Gayla Salmi, Clerk