

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 24, 2000**

**FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC COMMUNITY CENTER  
12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE, FENTON, MICHIGAN**

Supervisor Gabrielson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Gabrielson, Mueller, Garfield, Lambert, Mathis, McKenna, Office  
Manager Broecker and Attorney Cooley.

Absent: Ketchmark

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Supervisor Gabrielson led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the 7/24/00 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Garfield

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Ketchmark

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**PRESENTATION:**

**Genesee County Sheriff Department Update**

Captain Compeau provided the board with a monthly law enforcement update.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes of the 7/10/00 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices for payment as presented.

Motion by: Garfield

Seconded: McKenna

Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Garfield, Lambert, Mathis, McKenna

Nays: None

Absent: Ketchmark

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

**Fire Department**

Treasurer Garfield asked that the Firefighters Association Constitution be moved to this portion of the agenda. The board has had the opportunity to review the proposed Constitution for the Fenton Township Firefighters Association. There were no concerns raised by the board, however, since the association is independent of the township, formal board approval is not necessary.

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**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed a letter from property owners in the Silver Ridge subdivision. Claudia Cook, representing the property owners, stated that she and her neighbors wish to construct a concrete barrier between their homes and Owen Road, to protect their homes, wells and to block noise. The cost of such a wall is too much for the property owners to pay so she is asking the board to consider providing financial assistance for this project. Attorney Cooley stated that, on the surface, this appears to be a request to use public funds for a private improvement, which would not be legal. Supervisor Gabrielson stated that he would research the issue further, consult Attorney Cooley and bring a recommendation to the next board meeting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**Rezoning #339, Jimmy J. Thompson, parcel 06-17-200-011; AG to R-1A/1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the proposed rezoning. Mr. Thompson stated that his intent is to split the property for the purpose of selling lots. Trustee McKenna reported that the Planning Commission had recommended approval of the request. The request is consistent with the Land Use Plan and the surrounding zoning.

**Public Comment:**

Larry Miller, 13089 Ripley Road

Mr. Miller inquired as to the difference between R-1E and R-1A. Supervisor Gabrielson responded that R-1A zoning allows 20,000 square foot lots with sewer and 1-acre lots without sewer. R-1E requires lots to be a minimum of 2 acres. There was no further discussion. The second reading of the proposed rezoning ordinance will be conducted at the 8/7/00 meeting.

**Rezoning #340, Dave/Kristy Cantleberry, parcel 06-19-100-001; AG to R-1E/1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the proposed rezoning. Ms. Cantleberry stated that the purpose of rezoning is to allow additional splits to the property. Trustee McKenna reported that the Planning Commission had recommended approval of the request, citing consistency with the Land Use Plan and the zoning of neighboring properties as reasons for their recommendation. There was no public comment. The second reading of the proposed rezoning ordinance will be conducted at the 8/7/00 meeting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-OTHER:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Alternate Proposal for Local Road Improvement Project – Odell Road**

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that the low bid for the Odell Road project totaled \$42,000.00, which was 41% higher than the Genesee County Road Commission engineer's estimate of \$29,800.00. Because of this high cost, the county was instructed not to proceed with the project. Supervisor Gabrielson presented an alternate plan, whereby the township would purchase the road gravel directly from a local supplier, and then contract with the Genesee County Road Commission Maintenance Department to provide the necessary labor and equipment to complete the project. The estimated cost for this alternative is approximately \$30,735.00, which is within \$1,000.00 of the original

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estimate and would save the township over \$10,000.00 compared to contracting the project based on the low bid. This appears to be a workable approach for this type of road improvement.

Motion to approve the purchase of materials and contracting of labor for the Odell Road Improvement Project, as presented.

Motion by: Mueller  
Seconded: Garfield  
Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Garfield, Lambert, Mathis, McKenna  
Nays: None  
Absent: Ketchmark

Motion carried.

**Award of Contract – Beach Improvement Project**

Office Manager Broecker reported that bids for the final phase of the public beach improvements were opened on 7/21/00. In a letter to the board, Keith Cheli of Rowe Inc. has recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder, JD Walt's Inc., whose bid was 18,650.00. Once approved, a preconstruction meeting will be scheduled and the work should begin early or mid-August.

Motion to award the contract for the Fenton Township Public Beach Improvements project to JD Walt's, Inc. in the amount of \$18,650.00, as recommended by Rowe Incorporated.

Motion by: Garfield  
Seconded: Mueller  
Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Garfield, Lambert, Mathis, McKenna  
Nays: None  
Absent: Ketchmark

Motion carried.

**Mosquito Control Program – Ballot Proposal for November 2000 General Election**

Clerk Mueller reviewed proposed ballot language to place a 4-year mosquito control program renewal proposal on the 11/7/00 ballot.

Motion to approve the following ballot language to be placed on the November 7, 2000 General Election Ballot:

*Shall each parcel of real estate in the Township upon which there is located a dwelling or commercial building be assessed the sum of up to twenty-four dollars (\$24.00) per year per commercial building and per dwelling unit commencing with the December 2001 property tax statements for a four year period to fund the Township Mosquito Control Program for the calendar years 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005?*

Motion by: Garfield  
Seconded: Mueller  
Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Garfield, Lambert, Mathis, McKenna  
Nays: None  
Absent: Ketchmark

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Motion carried.

**Mosquito Control Program – Contract Status**

Clerk Mueller reported that 2000 is the final year of the current mosquito control contract between Fenton Township and Advanced Pest Management (APM). The mosquito control levy on the December 2000 property tax statements, (which covers expenses for 2001), is the final year for the levy approved by voters in 1996. Therefore the service contract and the tax levy are out of sync by 1 year.

To put the contract and the tax levy on the same schedule, it is recommended that a 1-year extension to our current contract be negotiated with APM. In 2001 the board could then make the decision to either solicit bids for a new 4-year contract, or negotiate a 4-year contract with APM, (as our established contractor). From that point forward the contract and the tax levy would parallel each other. The board agreed. Supervisor Gabrielson and Clerk Mueller will bring a proposed 1-year contract extension to the next board meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

None

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Carl Gabrielson, Supervisor

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Charles Mueller, Clerk

**Minutes Posted 7/25/00**