

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 4, 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, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe, Office Manager  
Broecker and Attorney Cooley.

Absent: Mueller

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Supervisor Gabrielson led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the 12/4/00 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Mueller

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution No. 2000-43 & 2000-44, Honoring Robert J. Burek and Gerald R. Laskey**

Supervisor Gabrielson announced that Bob Burek, Superintendent of Fenton Schools, and Jerry Laskey, Superintendent of Lake Fenton Schools, are both retiring. Honorary resolutions have been prepared to present to them at their respective retirement banquets. Office Manager Broecker presented the following resolutions:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2000-43**

*WHEREAS, Robert J. Burek is retiring from his position as Superintendent of Fenton Area Public Schools, and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Burek has held the position of Superintendent since September of 1991, during which time he has contributed greatly to the education of thousands of students and was the driving force in the project to upgrade and expand the school facilities to meet the growing needs of the community, and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Burek has also been very active in numerous local organizations and activities that benefit the community in such areas as recreational programs, fine arts, charitable organizations and business development;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fenton Township Board of Trustees hereby recognizes Robert J. Burek for his valuable contributions to the education of the youth of our community, expresses appreciation and gratitude for his dedicated service to the Fenton Area Public Schools and the entire Fenton community, and extends its best wishes to him and his family on the occasion of his retirement, and*

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*BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy provided to Mr. Burek.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2000-43 as presented.

Motion by: Krug  
Seconded: Garfield  
Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mueller

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2000-44**

*WHEREAS, Gerald R. Laskey is retiring from his position as Superintendent of Lake Fenton Community Schools, and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Laskey has been an integral part of the Lake Fenton School District and Fenton Township as a whole for over 35 years, during which time he contributed greatly to the education of thousands of students and touched the lives of many people throughout the community, and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Laskey has faithfully served the youth of our community since 1965 in a variety of capacities at Lake Fenton Schools, including: Business Teacher, Basketball Coach, Track Coach, Cross-Country Coach, Assistant Principal, Athletic Director, Assistant Superintendent of Business and, since 1984, School District Superintendent, and*

*WHEREAS, during his 16-year tenure as Superintendent, Mr. Laskey was committed to the continuous improvement of the educational process, as evidenced by the numerous enhancement projects initiated under his leadership;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fenton Township Board of Trustees hereby recognizes Gerald R. Laskey for his valuable contributions to the education of the youth of our community, expresses appreciation and gratitude for his dedicated service to Lake Fenton Community Schools and the entire Fenton Township community, and extends its best wishes to him and his family on the occasion of his retirement, and*

*BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy provided to Mr. Laskey.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2000-44 as presented.

Motion by: Garfield  
Seconded: Krug  
Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe

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Nays: None  
Absent: Mueller

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**Resolution No. 2000-45 / Resolution of Appreciation – James V. Root**

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that the driveway project for the Fenton Township Civic Community Center was completed last month. The new bike rack was donated by Planning Commissioner Jim Root. He asked that the board take formal action to accept the donation and recognize this generous act. Office Manager Broecker presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2000-45**

*WHEREAS, a driveway improvement project was recently completed for the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, and*

*WHEREAS, one of the components of this project was the installation of a bicycle rack, which provides an area for visitors to safely park bicycles at our facility, and*

*WHEREAS, this bicycle rack was purchased and donated by Fenton Township resident and current Planning Commissioner James V. Root;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fenton Township Board of Trustees hereby accepts the donation by James V. Root of a bicycle rack for the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, and expresses appreciation and gratitude for his generous donation, and*

*BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy provided to Mr. Root.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2000-45 as presented.

Motion by: Garfield  
Seconded: Mathis  
Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mueller

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**Resolution No. 2000-46 / Resolution of Appreciation – Dennis Schaefer**

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that Dennis Schaefer of Creative Wood Products has donated and installed a decorative wood gazebo to finish off the Fenton Township Beach project. He asked that the board take formal action to accept the donation and recognize this generous act. Office Manager Broecker presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2000-46**

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*WHEREAS, the final phase of the Fenton Township Beach Improvement project was completed in the autumn of 2000, and*

*WHEREAS, one of the components of this project was the installation of a decorative wood gazebo, which is a very attractive element for the beach/park area, and*

*WHEREAS, this gazebo was donated and constructed by Dennis Schaefer, owner of Creative Wood Products;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fenton Township Board of Trustees hereby accepts the donation by Creative Wood Products of a wood gazebo for the Fenton Township Civic Community Center beach/park area, and expresses appreciation and gratitude to Dennis Schaefer for his generous donation, and*

*BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy provided to Mr. Schaefer.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2000-46 as presented.

Motion by: Gabrielson

Seconded: Garfield

Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe

Nays: None

Absent: Mueller

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

Trustee Mathis pointed out a typographical error on page three. The minutes of the 11/20/00 regular meeting stand approved as corrected.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices for payment as presented.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Rowe

Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe

Nays: None

Absent: Mueller

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

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**Election Recount**

Office Manager Broecker reported that congressional candidate Diane Byrum has petitioned for a recount of the November election. The Genesee County portion of the recount will be conducted here at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center beginning Friday 12/8/00. The recount process should be completed by Tuesday 12/12/00.

**MTA Annual Conference**

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that several board members have already signed up for the Michigan Townships Association Annual Education Conference in January. If any additional members are interested please see Office Manager Broecker for details.

**Fenton Area Cable Television (FACT) Consortium**

Trustee McKenna reported that the FACT Consortium held their regular meeting recently, however there are no major issues at this time.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**Rezoning #345, Dunkel Family Trust; 06-04-300-002, 06-09-100-008 & part of  
06-09-100-007, PUD to AG/2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the proposed rezoning, which was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. There was no further discussion.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 569, an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to rezone parcels 06-04-300-002, 06-09-100-008 and part of 06-09-100-007 from PUD to AG, as requested.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe

Nays: None

Absent: Mueller

Motion carried. Ordinance declared adopted.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-OTHER:**

**Workshop Meeting – 12/9/00**

After a brief discussion, the board agreed to cancel the workshop meeting scheduled for Saturday 12/9/00.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Appointment to the Planning Commission**

Supervisor Gabrielson noted that he had overlooked one appointment at the last board meeting. He recommends the re-appointment of Keith McKenna as the Township Board representative on the Fenton Township Planning Commission. Trustee McKenna has

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been a member of the Planning Commission since 1995 and continues to do an excellent job in that capacity.

Motion to re-appoint Keith J. McKenna as the Township Board representative on the Fenton Township Planning Commission; term ending November 20, 2004.

Motion by: Gabrielson

Seconded: Mathis

Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe

Nays: None

Absent: Mueller

Motion carried.

**Lot Split #1744, Bradley Thompson, redistribution of platted lots/parcel 06-13-501-014**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the requested redistribution of platted lots. If approved, it would correct an existing encroachment problem. The ZBA has recommended approval of the lot split. There was no further discussion.

Motion to approve the redistribution of parcel 06-13-501-014 as requested.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: Gabrielson, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe

Nays: None

Absent: Mueller

Motion carried.

**OTHER ISSUES-TOWNSHIP BOARD:**

**Genesee County MTA Chapter Meeting @ Fenton Township 12/21/00**

Supervisor Gabrielson reminded the board that Fenton Township is hosting the December meeting of the Genesee County MTA Chapter on Thursday 12/21/00, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

**Newsletter**

Trustee Mathis asked about the feasibility of a regular newsletter to keep residents informed. Office Manager Broecker responded that newsletters have been issued, but not on a regular basis. Usually they are issued in conjunction with a specific issue (i.e. Master Plan, Parks & Recreation proposal, etc.). The board will discuss the issue further at a future meeting to determine if a quarterly or semi-annual newsletter would be appropriate.

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

None

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Carl Gabrielson, Supervisor

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Thomas Broecker, Deputy Clerk

**Minutes Posted 12/5/00**