

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2001**

**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, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Recording Secretary Penny
Sharich and Attorney Cooley (arrived at 7:45pm)

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Supervisor Gabrielson led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the 3/5/01 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

PRESENTATION:

Rowe Incorporated – Thompson Road Corridor Study Proposal

Doug Piggot and Jim Wilson of Rowe Incorporated presented a proposal to the township board for a corridor study on Thompson Road. If approved and completed, such a study would provide standards for commercial/industrial development on Thompson Road between US-23 and Main Road. It was recommended that, if the study moves forward, a steering committee be formed to work toward the visioning process. The board will take action on this proposal at the 3/19/01 meeting.

MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes of the 2/19/01 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

EXPENDITURES:

Motion to approve invoices for payment as presented.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Krug, Mathis, McKenna

Nays: None

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None

REPORTS:

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Public Safety Committee

Trustee Mathis raised the issue of ambulance service. There are still many concerns regarding the adequacy of the service in our section of the county. It was suggested that the townships of Argentine and Fenton and the cities of Fenton and Linden look into a joint venture to improve ambulance service in our area.

Township Office/Hall

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that a new soft drink vending machine will be installed in the lower level of the township hall.

Non-Motorized Trails

Clerk Mueller reported that developer Al Kloss is planning to install walking paths from his development on the north side of Pine Lake, through the airport development, and into the county park, eventually connecting with the City of Linden. Trustee McKenna pointed out that this proposed change to the site plan would have to be approved by the Planning Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

Vehicle Code Ordinance/1st Reading

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the proposed ordinance that adopts the Michigan Vehicle Code. Attorney Cooley explained that this ordinance will result in the issuance of traffic tickets under the township ordinance and will retain more fees for the township. All sections of the Michigan Vehicle Code pertaining to alcohol related offenses are excluded in our ordinance. There was no public comment. The second reading of the proposed ordinance will be conducted at the 3/19/01 meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-OTHER:

Resolution No. 2001-03 / Industrial Development District – Dunc Bay LLC

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that, at the public hearing held regarding this request on 2/5/01, it was recommended that the legal description be revised to only include the property designated for the development of Mr. Miller's business. The revised legal description has been submitted and incorporated into the resolution. Clerk Mueller presented the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-03

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended, this Township Board has the authority to establish "Industrial Development Districts" within the Charter Township of Fenton; and

WHEREAS, Dunc Bay, LLC has petitioned this Township Board to establish an Industrial Development District on his property located in the Charter Township of Fenton hereinafter described; and

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WHEREAS, construction, acquisitions, alterations, or installation of a proposed facility has not commenced at the time of filing the request to establish this district; and

WHEREAS, written notice has been given by mail to all owners of real property located within the district, and to the public by newspaper advertisement in the Tri-County Times, of the hearing on the establishment of the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2001 a public hearing was held at which all of the owners of real property within the proposed Industrial Development District and all residents and taxpayers of the Charter Township of Fenton were afforded an opportunity to be heard thereon; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board deems it to be in the public interest of the Charter Township of Fenton to establish the Industrial Development District as proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Fenton that the following described parcel of land situated in the Charter Township of Fenton, Genesee County, State of Michigan, to wit:

A Parcel of Land in the Northeast ¼ of Section 3, described as beginning on the East and West ¼ line, North 89° 34' 47" West 315.1 feet and North 1° 28' 47" West 313.17 feet from the East ¼ corner of said Section, thence continuing North 1° 28' 47" West 372.21 feet, thence South 89° 46' 58" East 493.82 feet, thence South 0° 25' 13" West 370.25 feet, thence South 89° 34' 47" East 506.16 feet to Point of Beginning. Containing 4.26 acres of land more or less and being subject to any and all easements or rights of way of record; SEC 3 T5N R6E.

be and hereby is established as an Industrial Development District pursuant to the provision of Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974 to be known as Fenton Township Industrial Development District No. 12.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2001-03 as presented:

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: McKenna

Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Krug, Mathis, McKenna

Nays: None

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

NEW BUSINESS:

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CDBG Inter-Local Loan Agreement – Mt. Morris Township

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed a CDBG Inter-Local Loan Agreement to lend \$70,000 in CDBG funds to Mt. Morris Township to purchase a new fire truck. This issue was discussed at our CDBG Needs Hearing in October and tentatively approved by the board.

Motion to authorize Supervisor Gabrielson and Clerk Mueller to enter into the CDBG Inter-Local Loan Agreement with Mt. Morris Township, as presented.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: McKenna

Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Krug, Mathis, McKenna

Nays: None

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

Motion carried.

2001 Board of Review Hardship Policy

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the Property Tax Hardship Exemption Policy. This policy is the same as the one adopted in 2000, except for updated income levels. Board adoption of the policy is required before the Board of Review meets next week. There was no further discussion.

Motion to adopt the Property Tax Financial Hardship Exemption Policy-2001 as presented.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Mueller

Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Krug, Mathis, McKenna

Nays: None

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

Motion carried.

Resignation of Fenton Township Assessor

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed a letter from Assessor Linda Klein notifying the board that she is resigning as of June 27, 2001. The letter indicates that health concerns are the reason for her decision. Supervisor Gabrielson noted that Ms. Klein has been the Fenton Township Assessor since the early 1990's and has done a consistently excellent job in her position. She will be missed.

Motion to accept the resignation of Assessor Linda K. Klein, effective June 27, 2001.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: McKenna

Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Krug, Mathis, McKenna

Nays: None

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

Motion carried.

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Hiring of Temporary Part-Time Employee – Co-op Student

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that our office was contacted last week by Jim Bacon, a counselor at the Southern Lakes Career Technical Center, regarding the possible employment of a co-op student at the Fenton Township Office. Jennifer Brown, who is a senior at Fenton High School, is in need of placement because her previous co-op employer has relocated out of the Fenton area. She needs a 15-20 hour per week job through the end of the school year to earn enough credits for graduation. With the resignation of Assessor Linda Klein, the Assessing Department will need additional staff support until a new Assessor can be hired. Such a part-time employee could also be trained to fill in for the receptionists to cover vacation days, off-site training, etc. The total budget impact for this temporary position (salary & FICA tax) would not exceed \$2,000.00.

Motion to hire co-op student Jennifer Brown as a part-time employee for a period not to exceed four months.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Mueller

Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Krug, Mathis, McKenna

Nays: None

Absent: Garfield, Rowe

Motion carried.

OTHER ISSUES-TOWNSHIP BOARD:

Supervisor Gabrielson noted that he and Clerk Mueller had met with Genesee County Parks & Recreation Direct Amy McMillan regarding the park property on Linden Road. Rowe Incorporated will be developing an “as-built” site plan for the soccer complex so that the commission can formally approve it. New county development plans in the area will likely change the plans we currently have for the remainder of this property.

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

None

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Carl Gabrielson, Supervisor

Charles Mueller, Clerk

Minutes Posted 3/9/01