

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 2, 2001**

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

Clerk Mueller called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mueller, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe, Office Manager  
Broecker and Attorney Cooley

Absent: Gabrielson (arrived at 7:50 p.m.)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Clerk Mueller led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM:**

Motion to appoint Clerk Mueller as Chairman Pro-Tem.

Motion by: Garfield

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Gabrielson

Motion carried. Clerk Mueller will chair this meeting until the Supervisor arrives.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the 4/2/01 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: McKenna

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Gabrielson

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**PRESENTATION:**

**Fire Chief John Moulton – Quarterly Report**

Chief Moulton provided the following updates to the board:

- ⇒ A meeting will be scheduled soon with the architect to discuss design plans for Fire Station #3.
- ⇒ An application for a federal grant will be submitted to purchase a new tanker truck for Station #3. If approved, the township would only be required to provide a 10% match on the grant funding.
- ⇒ The Fraternal Order of Eagles recently donated \$2,700 to the Fenton Township Fire Department to be used for the purchase of medical equipment and supplies.

Treasurer Garfield also reported that Chief Moulton recently received his certification as a Fire Investigator. She also indicated that new bay door openers and a replacement pump for the grass fire truck need to be purchased ASAP. A budget amendment is not necessary immediately, but may be needed later in the year.

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At the request of Treasurer Garfield, the board agreed to move the Revised *Fenton Township Fire Department Wage/Salary Schedule* from the end of the agenda to act on it now. Treasurer Garfield reviewed the proposed changes, which include the elimination of the Assistant Chief position and the Sergeant position at each station. The position of Battalion Chief is to be established (1 per station) at a salary of \$275 per month, plus calls. Trustees Mathis and Rowe, also members of the Public Safety Committee, stated their support for the proposed changes.

Motion to approve the revised *Fenton Township Fire Department Wage/Salary Schedule* as presented.

Motion by: Garfield

Seconded: McKenna

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

Nays: None

Absent: Gabrielson

Motion carried.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes of the 3/19/01 regular meeting and the 3/29/01 special workshop meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices for payment as presented.

Motion by: Garfield

Seconded: McKenna

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

Nays: None

Absent: Gabrielson

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

**Ordinance Enforcement Quarterly Report**

Chairman Mueller reviewed a quarterly report from Ordinance Enforcement Officer Rowe. It was noted that there were a large number of investigations relating to junk/unlicensed vehicles in the past three months.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Chairman Mueller briefly reviewed the following communication items:

1. The most recent budget for the Loose Senior Citizen Center
2. A memo from Genesee County indicating that the county was give a Small Business Administration (SBA) declaration for the flooding problems in February. Homeowners and businesses are eligible to apply for low-interest disaster loan assistance from the SBA.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**Rezoning #348, Joel Price, 06-29-200-004 & part of 003; AG/M2 to PUD/2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Chairman Mueller reviewed the proposed rezoning, which had been postponed at the applicant's request until certain arrangements with the State of Michigan had been completed. Trustee Mathis stated support for the proposed rezoning, noting that the neighboring property owners seemed very supportive of the airport subdivision concept. There was no further discussion.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 576, an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to rezone parcel 06-29-200-004 and part of parcel 06-29-200-003 from AG and M2 to PUD, as presented.

Motion by: Mathis

Seconded: Garfield

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

Nays: None

Absent: Gabrielson

Motion carried. Ordinance declared adopted.

Supervisor Gabrielson arrived at 7:50 p.m.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-OTHER:**

**Resolution No. 2001-06 / Allocation of CDBG Funds for Inter-Local Loan**

Office Manager Broecker reported that a resolution was necessary to allocate specific CDBG funds for the Inter-Local Loan Agreement with Mt. Morris Township that was approved at the 3/5/01 meeting. There was discussion regarding when we would receive the money back. Supervisor Gabrielson confirmed that the next time Mt. Morris Township receives an allocation, \$70,000 would come back to Fenton Township. Clerk Mueller presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-06**

*WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Fenton has approved an Inter-Local Loan Agreement to lend \$70,000.00 in CDBG funds to Mt. Morris Township, and*

*WHEREAS, the funds to be lent to Mt. Morris Township are from the 2000 and 2001 CDBG allocations;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fenton Township Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the transfer of \$13,493.39 from CDBG Project Account 00-79 and \$56,506.61 from the 2001 CDBG allocation to fund the Inter-Local Loan to the Township of Mt. Morris.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2001-06 as presented.

Motion by: McKenna

Seconded: Mueller

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Ayes: Gabrielson, Mueller, Garfield, Krug, Mathis, McKenna, Rowe  
Nays: None

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**Workshop Meeting – 4/7/01**

Supervisor Gabrielson reminded the board of the workshop meeting scheduled for Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ZBA Case # 1761, Non-conforming Lot Split, parcel 06-11-551-013**

Supervisor Gabrielson briefly reviewed the request, noting that the Zoning Board of Appeals had recommended approval. Stuart Jennings (applicant) explained that he wanted to take 10 feet from lot 13 and add it to lot 14 in order to build a new home. The resulting lot, while still non-conforming, is larger than the parcel that would result simply by splitting off lot 14. There were some concerns raised regarding the possible request for further variances on this property. Trustee Krug, who is also a member of the ZBA, noted that any hardship created on this property would be self-created and, therefore, would likely not justify further variances.

Motion to approved the division of parcel 06-11-551-013, as requested.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: Mathis

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Revised Fenton Township Schedule of Fees**

Office Manager Broecker reviewed the proposed Fenton Township Schedule of Fees. The revisions are:

- ⇒ A \$100 increase to the sewer connection fee (effective 5/30/01).
- ⇒ A \$50 increase to the grave opening/closing fee.
- ⇒ The addition of a \$350 fee for cremation grave openings/closings.
- ⇒ The addition of a \$100 rescheduling fee for Planning Commission cases postponed by the applicant.

Motion to adopt the *Charter Township of Fenton Schedule of Fees* dated April 3, 2001 as presented.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: McKenna

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**Genesee County Road Commission – 2001 Chloride Program Agreement**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the contract with the Genesee County Road Commission for the application of chloride on unpaved roads in 2001. The township's share of the cost is approximately \$15,000.00. There was no further discussion.

Motion to approve the Chloride Application Authorization Form as presented and to authorize the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to sign the authorization form.

Motion by: Garfield

Seconded: Rowe

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Genesee County Road Commission – 2001 Local Road Improvements Contract**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed the proposed contract with the Genesee County Road Commission for 2001 Local Road Improvements. The improvements include:

⇒ Asphalt resurfacing-Swanee Beach Drive

⇒ Chip & Seal resurfacing – Butcher Road and Petts Road

⇒ Limestone resurfacing – Jennings Road from Thompson Road to Ray Road

⇒ Drain repair – Eastview Drive

The total cost is within our current budget.

Motion authorize the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to enter into a contract with the Genesee County Road Commission for 2001 local road improvement projects as presented.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: Garfield

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Resolution No. 2001-07, Genesee County Solid Waste Management Plan**

Supervisor Gabrielson reported that Genesee County has developed and adopted a new countywide solid waste management plan. Local units of government are also required to approve the plan by resolution. Clerk Mueller presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-07**

*WHEREAS, the Genesee County Solid Waste Management Plan (“Plan”) was prepared pursuant to the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA), Part 115, Solid Waste Management, and its Administrative Rules by the Solid Waste Management Committee and the staff of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission, and*

*WHEREAS, the proposed update of the Plan has been approved by the Solid Waste Management Committee and the Genesee County Board of Commissioners, and*

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*WHEREAS, the members of the Charter Township of Fenton Board of Trustees have had an opportunity to review the Plan and have determined that the proposed Plan is acceptable;*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Fenton, County of Genesee, Michigan, that the proposed Genesee County Solid Waste Management Plan is an acceptable Plan to replace the current Plan, and is hereby approved.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2001-07 as presented.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: Krug

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

Nays: None

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**Proposed Purchase of Pipeline Camera System**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed a price quote for a camera system to be used for the township's sanitary sewer system. This equipment will be necessary to complete a required "survey" of all sewer lines in the township to detect infiltration and other problems. By purchasing the equipment, (vs. the equipment being owned by Mid-Michigan Manufacturing & Maintenance), we will avoid the potential of having the equipment being used in another community when we need it.

Motion to approve the purchase of the sewer pipeline camera system as presented.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: McKenna

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Donation of Bluegill Island (Silver Lake) to Fenton Township**

Supervisor Gabrielson reviewed a letter from attorney George Rizik regarding the deeding of Bluegill Island to Fenton Township. Supervisor Gabrielson noted that this issue had been discussed at workshop meetings in 1999 and has now been accomplished. The Silver-Marl Lake Association has agreed to act as unofficial "caretakers" of the island to ensure it remains as an undisturbed nature area. Formal acceptance of the donation is the final step in the process.

Motion to accept the donation of parcel 06-28-400-018, commonly known as Bluegill Island, from G&G Mansour, LLC.

Motion by: Mueller

Seconded: Krug

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Nays: None

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Motion carried.

**Proposed GIS Enhancement Project**

Supervisor Gabrielson briefly reviewed the GIS project proposal that was discussed in detail at last week's workshop meeting. Trustees Mathis and McKenna expressed reservations regarding the proposal. Among the concerns were:

- ⇒ The proposal appeared to be a time & materials agreement, rather than an itemized project proposal with defined costs.
- ⇒ The large cost difference between the proposals received.
- ⇒ The experience level of the recommended firm, North Arrow Technologies.
- ⇒ The scope of the project is very ambitious and may not be realistic.
- ⇒ Staffing needs for input into the GIS.

Trustee Rowe agreed with many of these concerns and, although he is in favor of the overall concept, he feels these concerns should be address before a final decision is made. Since they have the most extensive technical backgrounds of the board members, Supervisor Gabrielson suggested that schedule Trustees McKenna and Rowe meet with Mr. Taylor of North Arrow Technologies, and make a recommendation to the board regarding the project. The board agreed.

Motion to postpone action on the proposed GIS project until a future meeting.

Motion by: Gabrielson

Seconded: Mueller

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**OTHER ISSUES-TOWNSHIP BOARD:**

None

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

None

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Carl Gabrielson, Supervisor

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Charles Mueller, Clerk

**Minutes Posted 4/4/01**