

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 2010**

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

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

Present: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Brown, Goupil, Hill (arrived 7:45 p.m.), Kesler,
Attorney Cooley and Operations Manager Broecker

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Clerk Krug asked to have a discussion regarding the trash collection contract added to the end of the agenda. Trustee Goupil stated that he has a report of 2010 Marine Patrol activities and Supervisor Mathis asked to have Senator John Gleason added to the beginning of the agenda. Motion to approve the 10/4/10 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as amended.

Motion by: Brown

Seconded: Tucker

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Hill

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes for the 9/20/10 regular meeting and the 9/27/10 workshop meeting stand approved as presented.

EXPENDITURES:

Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$247,470.93 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Brown

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Brown, Goupil, Kesler

Nays: None

Absent: Hill

Motion carried.

PRESENTATION:

State Senator John Gleason

Supervisor Mathis introduced State Senator John Gleason, who is in attendance to provide legislative updates. Senator Gleason thanked the board for the opportunity to appear before them this evening. He provided updates on the following issues:

- The 2010-11 state budget was adopted before the start of the fiscal year.
- He helped initiate proposed new legislation regarding misappropriation of funds unde water board authorities.
- He also was involved in propsed legilsation regarding gun safety education in schools.

Senator Gleason stated that local governments like township boards are the truest form of representative government and commended the Fenton Township Board for their ongoing efforts and dedication to public service.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None

REPORTS:

Fire Department Quarterly Report

Fire Chief John Moulton provided third quarter statistics to the board: 152 total alarms, including 12 fires, 98 medical, 9 hazardous conditions, 15 service calls, 12 good intent calls and 6 false alarms.

Chief Moulton also noted that Fire Prevention Week began today. The Fire Department is sponsoring a number of programs at the fire station. The board thanked Chief Moulton for his report.

Marine Patrol Update

Trustee Goupil provided 2010 Marine Patrol statistics as follows:

Violation	----- Warnings Issued -----		
	Lk. Fenton	Lk. Ponemah	Silver Lake
Careless Operation	108	45	37
Navigation	301	89	20
Life Jackets	25	12	3
Registration	56	62	21
Boat Accident	2 (no injuries)	1 (no injuries)	0
Water Accident	1 (w/serious injuries)	0	0

No tickets were issued in 2010 for the above violation categories.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Request for Temporary Banner – Fenton Village Players

Supervisor Mathis reported that the Fenton Village Players have requested approval for a temporary banner to advertise their upcoming show. Under the current Sign Ordinance the Township Board has the authority to grant approval for temporary banners.

Motion to approve the placement of a temporary banner by the Fenton Village Players from October 4, 2010 through October 24, 2010 on their property, located at 14197 Torrey Road, as presented.

Motion by: Hill

Seconded: Goupil

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Brown, Goupil, Hill, Kesler

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Trash Collection Contract Discussion

Operations Manager Broecker reviewed information received from Republic Services in response to questions raised at the 9/27/10 workshop meeting. With regard to the

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RecycleBank program, participants can only receive recycling credit through the internet, although they have up to four weeks to enter their information so a resident could participate and still only access their account once per month. The concept of allowing everyone that sets up an account to share in recycling credit without further action was contrary to RecycleBanks's business model. Because they partner with many national companies, those companies want the exposure that weekly logins would generate.

The board had also requested a proposal for an 8-year contract (the last four years would be subject to voter approval of an assessment renewal in 2014). Republic has provided those costs, however they include a 3% annual increase, which significantly increases the average annual cost. As a result the board agreed that a 4-year contract is the preferred choice.

Operations Manager Broecker also reviewed a draft version of a survey to obtain resident input on the RecycleBank issue and the cart options for trash and recycling. This survey will be included in the October newsletter and also be available on the Township's website. The board agreed to proceed with the survey before finalizing contract details.

BOARD COMMENT:

Trustee Hill reported that a player in the Lake Fenton Youth Football program suffered a broken arm this weekend and it took 19 minutes for an ambulance to arrive. He is very unhappy with the slow response time. On a positive note, all participants in the weekend football event wore pink shoelaces, gloves, hats, etc. to support Breast Cancer Awareness.

Supervisor Mathis stated that the Township has been receiving increasing numbers of animal cruelty complaints. Some of the Township's current ordinances will be amended to address these issues.

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Dave Hawcroft, 3302 Ponemah Drive

Mr. Hawcroft thanked Trustee Goupil for providing the Marine Patrol statistics. He asked if any other lakes were patrolled. Trustee Goupil clarified that only lakes with public access points or large marinas are patrolled. Some of the connecting lakes also receive some patrols, however those numbers are rolled into the major lake totals. Mr. Hawcroft noted that over 600 warnings and only four accidents indicates that the program is effective, however he would like to see tickets issued more frequently.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

Robert Krug, Clerk

Minutes Posted 10/5/10