

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 6, 2012**

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, Kesler, Lorraine and Attorney  
Cooley

Absent: None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the 8/6/12 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Lorraine

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**PRESENTATION:**

**Fenton Winegarden Public Library**

Supervisor Mathis introduced Dennis Weinand, Bobbi Sweetman and Les Hotchkiss representing the Fenton Library. A brief history of the Fenton Library was presented, including a report that the current facility is no longer adequate to serve the needs of the community. The City of Fenton has established a separate fund to raise money to renovate or replace the library. They are asking the Township to join in the fundraising efforts. The board discussed several ideas/options for the library. The board thanked Mr. Weinand, Ms. Sweetman and Ms. Hotchkiss for their informative presentation.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes for the 7/16/12 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$210,851.28 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Lorraine

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

**Ordinance Enforcement Quarterly Report**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed the second quarter report from Ordinance Enforcement Officer Bob Atkinson. The board also discussed several issues relating to concerns with the Lake Ponemah Mobile Home Park and the old Frank's Tavern building.

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**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Prescription Medication Drop-Off – 8/25/12**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed a poster regarding an upcoming prescription drop-off event. Sheriff Robert Pickell has scheduled a prescription drug drop-off at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center on Saturday 8/25/12 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Area residents can safely dispose of all expired and unwanted prescription medications at no cost and no questions asked. Blood pressure checks and presentations on prescription drug dangers are also part of the event.

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution No. 2012-11, Michigan Emergency Management Assistance Compact (MEMAC)**

Supervisor Mathis reported that, in 2008, the Fenton Township Board adopted the Michigan Emergency Management Assistance Compact (MEMAC), which maximizes the prompt, full and effective use of resources of all participating governments in the event of an emergency or disaster. The Township is required to renew that adoption by resolution periodically. A new resolution has been prepared to renew Fenton Township's membership. Clerk Krug presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-11**

*WHEREAS, the State of Michigan Emergency Management Act, Act 390 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended (MCL 30.401 et seq), authorizes the State and its political subdivisions to provide emergency aid and assistance in the event of a disaster or emergency, and*

*WHEREAS, the statutes also authorize the State to coordinate the provision of any equipment, services or facilities owned by the State or its political subdivisions for use in the affected area upon request of the duly constituted authority of the area, and*

*WHEREAS, the intent of this Resolution is to authorize the request, provision and receipt of inter-jurisdictional mutual assistance in accordance with the Emergency Management Act, Act 390 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, among political subdivisions within the State;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Fenton, that in order to maximize the prompt, full and effective use of resources of all participating governments in the event of an emergency or disaster, we hereby adopt the Michigan Emergency Management Assistance Compact, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2012-11 as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: Tucker

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

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Nays: None  
Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**Community Development Block Grant Interlocal Loan Agreement – Argentine Township**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed a proposed Interlocal Loan Agreement to lend 2010 CDBG funds to Argentine Township for an already approved project. Approximately \$22,000 in CDBG funds had been allocated for use with barrier-free projects at Fenton Township facilities. The funds were not used in the 2010 parking lot project because the cost of complying with CDBG requirements was more than the small amount for which the project was eligible. We also looked at renovating restroom facilities at the Township Hall, however there were no significant compliance issues. Lending the funds to Argentine Township will help them with their project and avoid having the funds revert back to Genesee County. Fenton Township will receive an equal amount of Argentine’s 2013 allocation as repayment of the loan.

Motion to approve the CDBG Inter-Local Loan Agreement with Argentine Township as presented.

Motion by: Tucker  
Seconded: Brown  
Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Brown, Goupil, Kesler, Lorraine  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

**Approval of Ballot Proposal Language – Mosquito Control Renewal**

Supervisor Mathis noted that the 2012 property tax roll is the final year of the current special assessment for mosquito control. The funds collected from the 2012 assessment will pay for the 2013 program year. In order to continue the mosquito control program in Fenton Township without interruption, it will be necessary to place the issue on the ballot for the November 6, 2012 General Election. Although a new contract for the 2014-2017 period will not be executed until sometime next year, costs are not expected to change significantly. Therefore, asking to the voters to again approve a proposal for “up to \$30.00” per year will be sufficient. The proposed ballot language is as follows:

**Mosquito Control Program Renewal**

*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 thirty dollars (\$30.00) per year per commercial building and per dwelling unit commencing with the December 2013 property tax statements for a four year period to fund the continuation of the Township Mosquito Control Program for the calendar years 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017?*

Motion to approve the ballot proposal language for mosquito control as presented, and to authorize the placement of said proposal on the ballot for the November 6, 2012 General Election.

Motion by: Brown  
Seconded: Tucker  
Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Brown, Goupil, Kesler, Lorraine  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

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**BOARD COMMENT:**

Clerk Krug reported that the park plans for the Thompson Road property have been revised and are ready to be presented to the Planning Commission for a rezoning request.

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

Paul Wiese

Mr. Wiese again asked for the board to support the concept of requiring a completion bond for new construction. He expressed frustration that he has not received any response from the Township, specifically Mr. Tucker, regarding this issue. He also noted that the Genesee County Health Department has indicated that there are 14 abandoned properties with sewage filled basements that have tested positive for dangerous bacteria. Clerk Krug asked who Mr. Wiese spoke to at the Genesee County Health Department. Mr. Wiese couldn't remember the name but will get back to Mr. Krug. Clerk Krug also asked if any of the homes were in Fenton Township. Mr. Wiese stated that he didn't believe any of them were in Fenton Township

Treasurer Tucker stated that he finds Mr. Wiese's comments offensive. He confirmed that that this issue was indeed discussed at the July Planning Commission meeting as a non-agenda item. It is currently being reviewed by the Planning Commission and will be discussed at the 8/9/12 meeting. He has spoken to several lenders, who have indicated that there is no speculative building occurring now. He contacted two insurance companies that indicated that performance or completion bonds are not being written in this economy due to the financial condition of most builders. In truth, the Township has spent considerable time researching this issue. Mr. Tucker also relayed all of this information to an attorney representing Mr. Wiese.

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

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Robert Krug, Clerk

**Minutes Posted 8/10/12**