

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 1, 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, Brown, Goupil, Kesler, Lorraine, Operations Manager  
Broecker and Attorney Cooley

Absent: Tucker

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the 10/1/12 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: Brown

Seconded: Lorraine

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Tucker

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes for the 9/17/12 regular meeting and the 9/24/12 workshop meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$179,907.95 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: Brown

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

Nays: None

Absent: Tucker

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Household Hazardous Waste & Electronic Waste Collection Day – 10/13/12**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed information regarding the upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. The event will be Saturday 10/13/12 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Carter Middle School in Clio (household waste, e-waste & tires), The Flint East Water Service Center (household waste & tires), and the Goodwill facility on Averill Avenue (e-waste only).

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**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**Rezoning #R12-001, Charter Township of Fenton, Parcel 06-01-300-040 (Thompson Road near Fenton Road); PUD to AG with conditions/2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone property owned by Fenton Township from Planned Unit Development to Agricultural with conditions, which was introduced at the 9/17/12 meeting. The Township plans to develop the property as a public park.

Public Comment:

Derek Snyder, 1316 Thompson Road

Mr. Snyder expressed safety concerns due to the increased traffic on Thompson Road that would result from developing the property into a park.

Steve Steffey, 11200 Vantage Pointe

Mr. Steffey, a past president of the Lake Fenton Little League, stated that the little league currently uses baseball diamonds at the Faith City church, which is just west of the subject property on Thompson Road. Shifting games from the church to the park would not increase Thompson Road traffic. He supports the development of the proposed park.

Chris Hnilica, 12164 Princewood Drive

Mr. Hnilica, the current president of the Lake Fenton Little League, agreed with Mr. Steffey's comments. He added that, despite the troubled economy, participation rates in the Lake Fenton Little League have increased in recent years. More fields are definitely needed and he supports the proposed park.

Ted Goupil, 14166 Eastview Drive

Mr. Goupil stated that having access to land that is suitable for a public park is a rare opportunity to create something that will be a true benefit to the community. He supports the rezoning and the development of the park.

Jim Miller, 1361 Thompson Road

Mr. Miller again stated that he is opposed to the development of a park next to his property. He is not convinced that a park will be a benefit to the community and he is also concerned about how the development and ongoing maintenance of the park would be funded.

Mary Ann Brostek, 12084 Boldrey Drive

Ms. Brostek expressed concern with the proposed music center in the park and the potential for noise problems.

There was no board discussion.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 751, an amendment to Zoning Ordinance No. 594 to rezone parcel 06-01-300-040 from PUD to AG with conditions, as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: Brown

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

Nays: None

Absent: Tucker

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Motion carried. Ordinance declared adopted.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Proposed Cleaning & Janitorial Services Agreement – JW Cleaning**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed a proposed 2-year agreement with JW Cleaning to continue to provide cleaning and janitorial services for the Township. There are no changes to the costs. Trustee Lorraine noted that some the language, specifically the liability sections, is not identical for the three contracts being considered at this meeting. He suggested that the language in all three contracts be revised slightly to be consistent.

Motion to approve the Cleaning & Janitorial Services Agreement with JW Cleaning, subject to language revisions to be approved by the Township Attorney.

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

Motion carried.

**Proposed Lawn, Landscape & Beach Maintenance Services Agreement - Michigan DPW, LLC**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed a proposed 2-year agreement with Michigan DPW to continue to provide lawn, landscape & beach maintenance services for the Township. The only change to the costs is a minor increase to the Monday beach cleaning service. The liability language will be reviewed and revised by the Township Attorney.

Motion to approve the Lawn, Landscape & Beach Maintenance Services Agreement with Michigan DPW, LLC, subject to language revisions to be approved by the Township Attorney.

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

Motion carried.

**Proposed Snow Removal Services Agreement – The Fenton Groundskeeper**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed a proposed 2-year agreement with the Fenton Groundskeeper to continue to provide snow removal services for the Township. There are no changes to the costs. The liability language will be reviewed and revised by the Township Attorney.

Motion to approve the Snow Removal Services Agreement with the Fenton Groundskeeper, subject to language revisions to be approved by the Township Attorney.

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

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Absent: Tucker  
Motion carried.

**Proposed 5-Year Road Improvement Plan**

Supervisor Mathis reported that the Genesee County Road Commission is requiring all townships to adopt a minimum 3-year road improvement plan. A 5-year plan has been drafted for Fenton Township, which was reviewed at the workshop meeting.

Motion to approve the Fenton Township 5-year Road Improvement Plan as presented.

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

**Proposed Revision to Election Inspector Compensation**

Supervisor Mathis noted that the board discussed a proposal to increase the pay for election workers at the workshop meeting. Our current rate of \$125 for inspectors and \$175 for chairpersons is lower than many surrounding communities. It has been recommended to increase each by \$25, making the pay \$150 for inspectors and \$200 for chairpersons. Operations Manager Broecker explained that the last increase to election worker compensation was more than ten years ago and since then the election process has undergone significant changes, including:

- Conversion from punch card ballots to optical scan ballots with electronic tabulators.
- Implementation of AUTOMARK voter assist terminals.
- Implementation of the Electronic Poll Book (EPB) through the use of a laptop computer.

While all of these changes have made the election process more automated and efficient, it also has placed a greater demand on our workers to keep up with these technological advances. More simply put, more is expected of our election workers than was a decade ago.

One of the other benefits to the EPB is that it has reduced the number of workers needed for large elections. Even with the proposed pay increase, the total cost for the upcoming election is less than it would have been with the current pay rates before EPB.

Motion to increase election inspector pay from \$125 to \$150 per day and election chairperson pay from \$175 to \$200 per day, as presented.

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

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**Schedule Public Needs Hearing – 2013 Community Development Block Grant Program**

Supervisor Mathis reported that Fenton Township is scheduled to receive approximately \$111,000 in Community Development Block Grant funding in 2013. A public needs hearing is required to obtain citizen input regarding potential uses for CDBG funds. If the hearing is held at the October 15th meeting, that should provide enough time to submit one or more applications before the November deadline.

Motion to schedule a Community Development Block Grant public needs hearing for the October 15, 2012 Township Board meeting.

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

Motion carried.

**BOARD COMMENT:**

Clerk Krug reported that the Genesee Area Skill Center (GASC) has shown a strong interest in obtaining the Township's 1981 LaFrance fire truck, which has been out of service for several years, in order to refurbish it and use it for training, etc. The Township would also have access to the truck for parades and special events. Questions regarding actual ownership and insurance responsibilities still need to be worked out. A recommendation will be brought back to the board in the near future.

Trustee Brown noted that trustee candidate Shaun Shumaker was in the audience. Mr. Shumaker came to the table and introduced himself to the members of the board.

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

Dave Hawcroft, 3302 Ponemah Drive

Mr. Hawcroft asked about the status of issues regarding the mobile home park on Lake Ponemah that were discussed at a recent board meeting. Supervisor Mathis stated that she, along with the Township's Building Inspector and Ordinance Enforcement Officer, are working with the park owner to repair or remove substandard units.

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

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Robert Krug, Clerk

**Minutes Posted 10/2/12**