

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 5, 2013**

**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, Goupil, Kesler, Lorraine, Shumaker, Operations  
Manager Broecker and Attorney Cooley

Absent: None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Supervisor Mathis asked to add a potential park grant and an update on the Fenton Road project to the reports section of the agenda. Motion to approve the 8/5/13 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as amended.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes for the 7/15/13 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$191,361.63 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Lorraine

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

**Ordinance Enforcement Quarterly Report**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed the 2nd quarter report from Ordinance Enforcement Officer Bob Atkinson. Tall grass and blight are the most frequent complaints, which is typical for the spring/summer months.

**Potential Grant for Park Development**

Supervisor Mathis distributed information from the DNR regarding potential grant funding for the Thompson Road park.

**Fenton Road Project Update**

Supervisor Mathis reported that Fenton Road will be closed to through traffic between Garnet Road and Skipper Bud's Marina beginning Wednesday 8/7/13. The next phase of the project, (marina to Bluewater Drive), is expected to begin in early September.

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**HomeServe USA Insurance Scam**

Clerk Krug reported that, based on complaints from Fenton Township residents, the Michigan Attorney General is investigating HomeServe USA for soliciting senior citizens to buy underground water pipe insurance in a community that does not have municipal water.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**Proposed Amendment to Health Insurance Ordinance/2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

The board reviewed a proposed amendment to the Township's existing health insurance ordinance, which was introduced at the 7/15/13 meeting. The proposed amendment revises language regarding allocation of insurance costs to comply changes in Michigan law and the recently approved collective bargaining agreement with the employees' union. Treasurer Tucker noted that the Township should also amend this ordinance to include retiree insurance provisions. This amendment will be drafted and brought to the board in the near future.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 757, an amendment to Group Health Care Insurance Ordinance No. 461, as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Kesler

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

Nays: None

Motion carried. Ordinance declared adopted.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution No. 2013-12, Application for Tavern License, Deborah J. King  
(Canadian Steak & Fish Restaurant)**

Operations Manager Broecker reported that Deborah King, proprietor of the Canadian Steak & Fish restaurant has applied for a Tavern license. Ms. King received a favorable recommendation from the Township for a Tavern license in 2009, however the license was never issued due to issues with the owner of the commercial property.

Clerk Krug presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-12**

*WHEREAS, **Deborah J. King** has requested that the Charter Township of Fenton Board of Trustees recommend approval of the application for the issuance of a new Tavern License for a restaurant located at 3235 Thompson Road;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the application from Deborah J. King for a new Tavern License to be located 3235 Thompson Road, Fenton, MI 48430, Fenton Township, Genesee County, be considered for **approval**.*

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Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2013-12 as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: Kesler

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

Nays: None

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**Resolution No. 2013-13, Genesee County Solid Waste Management Plan  
Amendment**

Supervisor Mathis asked that this issue be postponed until the 8/19/13 meeting to give board members additional time to review the plan.

Motion to postpone action on Resolution No. 2013-13 until 8/19/13.

Motion by: Mathis

Seconded: Goupil

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Proposal to Sell Township Owned Property by Sealed Bid Auction**

Operations Manager Broecker, noting that the township board recently approved the sale of 41 vacant parcels via sealed bid auction in June, reported that the Township owns three additional properties for which inquiries have been received from private individuals interested in purchasing them. The properties are:

**Parcel No. 06-24-200-022**

This 40 acre vacant parcel is located near Petts Road and was originally intended to be the second phase of the Crystal Pointe condominium development. It has no road frontage and 50-60% of the property is regulated wetland. The Michigan Nature Association, which owns the adjacent Dauner-Martin Sanctuary, is also interested in acquiring the property and adding to their existing trail facility, although they would like to pay a nominal purchase price since the property would be used as a conservation area for the benefit of the public. The dollar figure that has been discussed is \$2,500.

**Parcel No. 06-16-100-019**

This 2-acre vacant parcel is located at the intersection of Lahring Road and Ripley Road and includes a detention pond that serves the adjacent Linden Crossings development. The property was donated to the Township as a potential site for a third fire station, however it is no longer being considered for that purpose.

**Parcel No. 06-16-601-001 (Unit 1 Harbor Woods Condo)**

This vacant parcel is just over 1 acre in size and is contiguous to the corner parcel described above. The Township purchased this parcel in 2001 to provide additional area for the potential fire station site.

If the board is in favor of selling these properties, it is recommended that the sales be through a sealed bid auction, similar to the one conducted in June. The board asked if the donated property included any deed restrictions. Operations Manager Broecker will verify before placing the ad, (a subsequent review of the file confirmed there are no deed restrictions).

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Motion to authorize a sealed bid auction for the purpose of selling parcels 06-24-200-022, 06-16-100-019 and 06-16-601-001, as presented.

Motion by: Kesler

Seconded: Goupil

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**BOARD COMMENT:**

None

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

Dave Hawcroft, 3302 Ponemah Drive

Mr. Hawcroft asked about the cost of chip/seal vs. repaving. Operations Manager Broecker responded that the chip/seal resurfacing costs approximately \$35,000 per mile. A 2-inch asphalt resurfacing costs approximately \$180,000 per mile and a 3-inch asphalt resurfacing is approximately \$255,000 per mile. Mr. Hawcroft indicated that, for the difference in cost, the chip/seal seems to hold up well. Regarding roads, Supervisor Mathis stated that the Township is also working on ditching projects with the Genesee County Road Commission. Residents can request fill dirt from ditching operations, which reduces the time and cost of ditching when compared to hauling the dirt to a central site. Residents interested in obtaining fill dirt must obtain soil erosion permit from the Genesee County Drain Commissioner and a fill permit from Fenton Township.

Mr. Hawcroft asked if there were any updates regarding marine patrol. Supervisor Mathis reported that due to grant cuts, the marine patrol operations were ended soon after the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend. The DNR will still patrol the lakes, however the sheriff department marine patrol is done for 2013.

Mr. Hawcroft repeated his previous concerns that the City of Fenton continues to control weeds in the Fenton Millpond by harvesting rather than treating. This results in weed fragments flowing flow downstream and re-establishing in Lake Ponemah, thus making their weed situation worse.

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

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Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

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Robert Krug, Clerk

**Minutes Posted 8/6/13**