

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 17, 2014**

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

Absent: Goupil

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the 3/17/14 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Lorraine

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes for the 3/3/14 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

EXPENDITURES:

Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$1,314,182.95 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Lorraine

Seconded: Kesler

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

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil

Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Application – Park Development

Supervisor Mathis opened a public hearing to accept comment on the Township's grant application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund to develop the park on Thompson Road. Operations Manager Broecker provided a brief overview of the grant application and the overall park plan. It is anticipated that local organizations will construct the baseball and soccer fields and the township will likely need to find a way to fund the access road prior to obtaining the grant. The grant will target park features such as barrier free parking, an accessible pathway with interpretive stations and fitness stations, playground equipment and a basketball court.

Public comment:

Fritz Cheek, 1343 Thompson Road

Mr. Cheek asked if infrastructure plans, (roads, parking, drainage, buffers, etc.) had been completed and if those improvements would be done before developing the facilities. Clerk Krug stated that the grant, if approved, would fund specific

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improvements, but not infrastructure. It is anticipated that the road and drainage will be completed this year so the development of the baseball and soccer fields can begin. Mr. Cheek also asked if the Township will use public funds for the development of the park. Treasurer Tucker confirmed that the Township plans to use donations and in-kind materials and labor for the matching funds and for any development not covered under the grant. Mr. Cheek urged the board to make the sure the park is developed in a manner that ensures it will be a quality facility for the community.

The board discussed the funding issues in detail. In order to improve chances of funding approval from the DNR, the Township must commit matching funds. Although it has been the Township's intent to fund matching dollars from donations and in-kind labor & materials, there isn't sufficient time to confirm those commitments before the application deadline. Therefore, the application will be submitted with few or no commitments, although they must be obtained by September. There was no further discussion.

Clerk Krug presented the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-03

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Fenton has made investigations of the existing recreation resources and probable future need for recreation lands, facilities, and services, and

WHEREAS, the project grant application will include improvement of Fenton Township Park including:

- *Development of an accessible nature trail/pathway with interpretive stations, signage and seating*
- *Construction of pavilions*
- *Construction of barrier free parking spaces*
- *Construction of accessible playground equipment*
- *Construction of a basketball court*

and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Fenton has gathered public input and the project is supported in the current 5 Year Recreation Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the township board of the Charter Township of Fenton does hereby commit \$133,000 in matching funds, equal to 30% of the project total, which includes donations, in-kind materials and resources, in-kind labor and all other sources of local match as identified in the application, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fenton Township Board authorizes the submission of said Grant Application to the State of Michigan.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2014-03 as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: Kesler

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

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

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REPORTS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

Proposed Amendment to Wild, Dangerous and Vicious Animals Ordinance/2nd

Reading

Supervisor Mathis reviewed a proposed amendment to the Wild, Dangerous and Vicious Animals Ordinance to revise the enforcement and penalty language, which was introduced at the 3/3/14 meeting. There was no further discussion.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 761, an amendment to Wild, Dangerous and Vicious Animals Ordinance No. 655, as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Shumaker

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

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil

Motion carried. Ordinance declared adopted.

Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Retaining Walls/1st Reading

Supervisor Mathis introduced a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to add provisions regarding retaining walls. Treasurer Tucker explained that the amendment would require retaining walls that extend above grade to comply with fence requirements (height, sight line, etc.). Retaining walls that do not extend above grade would not be impacted. The Planning Commission has recommended adoption of the amendment.

There was no public comment. The second reading of the proposed ordinance will be conducted at the 3/31/14 meeting.

Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Zoning for “Halls”/1st Reading

Supervisor Mathis introduced a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to add “Halls” as a permitted use in the C-1 and C-2 zoning districts. Treasurer Tucker explained that Zoning Administrator Doug Piggott has recommended the amendment to correct an oversight from when this use was added to the Zoning Ordinance.

There was no public comment. The second reading of the proposed ordinance will be conducted at the 3/31/14 meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

2014 Genesee County Road Commission Chloride Contract

Operations Manager Broecker reviewed information regarding the Genesee County Road Commission’s dust control program for 2014. The proposed agreement includes one application of liquid calcium chloride on unpaved roads funded by the Road

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Commission and the option of one or two applications funded by the Township. Based on the mileage of unpaved roads in Fenton Township, our cost would be approximately \$18,305.02 per application. Based on past practice it is recommended that the Township authorize one additional chloride application for June.

Motion to approve the 2014 Genesee County Road Commission Dust Control Program, including one application of 38% liquid calcium chloride in June, at a rate of 2,000 gallons per mile at the Township's expense, as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Shumaker

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

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil

Motion carried.

BOARD COMMENT:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

None

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

Robert Krug, Clerk

Minutes Posted 3/18/14