

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 4, 2016**

**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, Attorney Cooley and Operations  
Manager Broecker.

Absent: Goupil, Shumaker

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Supervisor Mathis asked to add a report regarding a grant for the Parks & Recreation Plan update and information regarding an upcoming meeting for the proposed dog park added to the agenda. Motion to approve the 4/4/16 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as amended.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Lorraine

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil, Shumaker

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes for the 3/21/16 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Trustee Lorraine suggested that purchasing and procurement policies be reviewed at a workshop meeting. Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$1,199,760.37 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Kesler

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Kesler, Lorraine

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil, Shumaker

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

**Community Foundation of Greater Flint Grant Award**

Operations Manager Broecker reported that the Community Foundation of Greater Flint has approved the Township's grant application and awarded \$3,000 for the Township to update its Parks & Recreation Plan. A proposal to complete the update has been requested from Rowe Professional Services, Inc., who drafted the original plan.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

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**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**METRO Act Permit Application – Fiber Technologies Networks, LLC**

Supervisor Mathis reported that Fiber Technologies Networks, LLC has applied for a METRO Act permit to use rights-of-way to construct a fiber optic network extension in Fenton Township. The network will provide service upgrades for a wireless provider at two towers – the one near the intersection of Torrey and Thompson Roads and one near Lake Fenton High School. Approval from the local governing body is required in order to secure the permit. Operations Manager Broecker confirmed that the areas on the map marked as conduit will be new conduit installed by the company. Supervisor Mathis noted that Genesee County will issue the permits necessary to complete the work within the right-of-way.

Motion to approve a METRO Act Telecommunications Right-of-Way Permit for Fiber Technologies Networks, LLC for the construction of a fiber optic network extension as presented.

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

Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution No. 2016-06, Honoring Eagle Scout John Galvin**

Supervisor Mathis reported that Fenton High School senior John Galvin has attained the rank of Eagle Scout in Boy Scout Troop 219. His Eagle Scout Court of Honor will be held on Sunday April 17th at the First Presbyterian Church in Fenton. John's Eagle Scout project was to construct and install a new sign for Fenton Township's Gage Cemetery on Fenton Road. A resolution has been prepared to honor Mr. Galvin for this noteworthy accomplishment. Clerk Krug presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-06**

*WHEREAS, Fenton area resident John Patrick Galvin has attained the rank of Eagle Scout and, on April 17, 2016, will be presented with the coveted Eagle Scout Award at an Eagle Scout Court of Honor, and*

*WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout is the highest rank of recognition attainable in Scouting, and*

*WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout must advance through the various ranks of Scouting, earn a minimum of 21 merit badges and complete a service project that benefits a non-profit organization within the community, and*

*WHEREAS, John Galvin, a valued member of Boy Scout Troop 219, is a dedicated young man who has earned the respect and admiration of his fellow scouts*

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*through his active participation in the many programs sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America, and*

*WHEREAS, John's accomplishments in Boy Scouts include:*

- Earned the Arrow of Light, Cub Scouting's Highest Award*
- Elected to the Order of the Arrow in 2011*
- Served on the Mackinac Island Scout Service Troop 127 Contingent and Honor Guard to Governor Snyder in 2011 & 2012*
- Member of the Troop 219 Salvation Army Band*
- Served Troop 219 in several leadership positions, including Troop Guide, Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader*
- Completed National Youth Leadership Training*
- Earned a total of 31 Merit Badges*

*and*

*WHEREAS, John completed a major community service project consisting of building and installing new signage at Fenton Township's Gage Cemetery, spending numerous hours to plan, design and complete this project, and*

*WHEREAS, John has truly exhibited a commitment to the principals of Scouting and has consistently conducted himself in a manner becoming an Eagle Scout;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Fenton hereby applauds the diligence, determination, and dedication of John Patrick Galvin in pursuing the highest honor awarded by the Boy Scouts of America and extends its heartiest congratulations to him on the occasion of his attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy provided to Mr. Galvin.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-06 as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: Tucker

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Kesler, Lorraine

Nays: None

Absent: Goupil, Shumaker

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**BOARD COMMENT:**

Clerk Krug announced that a meeting will be held on Wednesday 4/13/16 at the Fenton Township Office, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to review and discuss development plans for the dog park on the Thompson Road park property.

Supervisor Mathis urged residents to exercise caution when hiring a company to construct a seawall. There have been reports of a contractor requiring advance payment and not following through with construction.

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

Terry Garfield, 14008 Eastview Drive

Asked for an update on the blight and ordinance violation complaints raised at the 3/21/16 meeting. Supervisor Mathis reported that she and Ordinance Enforcement Officer Hosie contacted the owner of the property and covered many of the issues, including:

- The owner is working on cleaning up the property.
- The damaged fence belongs to neighboring property. The Township is following up with that property owner.
- The owner of the trailer with the wood burning stove is in the process of being evicted.
- The owner of the mobile home park indicated that he would consider selling the property but did not indicate a dollar amount.

Clerk Krug noted that the property is being assessed for appropriate property taxes, however the mobile homes themselves are not subject to regular property taxes. Clerk Krug also reported that he was invited to a meeting with residents this past weekend to discuss these issues. He has received a commitment from Representative Joe Graves and Senator Ken Horn to review the mobile home park and meet with residents. This meeting will be Friday 4/15/16 at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Garfield believes that the medical marihuana caregiver located in the mobile home park constitutes a business, which violates the township's ordinance. This will be investigated.

Other concerns include:

- Reduced property values.
- Trash blowing onto neighboring properties.
- Dumpsters still overflowing.

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

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Robert Krug, Clerk

**Minutes Posted 4/5/16**