

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 3, 2019**

**FENTON TOWNSHIP CIVIC COMMUNITY CENTER  
12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE, FENTON, MICHIGAN**

Clerk Krug called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Kesler, Reid, Attorney Belzer and Operations  
Manager Broecker.

Absent: Mathis, Lorraine

**OPENING PRAYER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer. Clerk Krug led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON:**

Clerk Krug stated that, due to the absence of the Township Supervisor, a temporary chairperson needs to be appointed for this evening's meeting.

Motion to appoint Clerk Krug as chairman pro-tem.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Goupil

Ayes: Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Kesler, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Mathis, Lorraine

Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Chairman Krug noted that a revised agenda was sent out earlier this afternoon. Motion to approve the 6/3/19 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Goupil

Ayes: Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Kesler, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Mathis, Lorraine

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**Plante & Moran, PLLC-Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018**

Chairman Krug introduced Pam Hill, Stephanie Atkinson and Mike Machala of Plante & Moran, PLLC. Ms. Hill, Ms. Atkinson and Mr. Machala reviewed several graphs outlining year-to-year changes in revenues, expenditures and fund balance in the General Fund and the Township's retiree health care plan.

Areas highlighted included:

- ⇒ Total fund balance in the General Fund increased by \$405,683 to a total of \$2,102,259. Unassigned fund balance totaled \$1,379,948, which represents approximately 42% of budgeted revenues, which is above the minimum recommended range of 35-40%.
- ⇒ General Fund revenues remained relatively flat compared to 2017, decreasing just \$1,743.
- ⇒ General Fund expenditures decreased approximately \$120,000 from 2017, due primarily to reduced spending on road improvements.

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- ⇒ All Special Revenue Funds, (Fire Protection, Solid Waste and Mosquito Control), are financially stable with adequate fund balances.
- ⇒ Fenton Township is very well positioned with respect to long-term legacy costs. The Township has no pension liability due to offering only a defined contribution plan. The Township's retiree health care plan (OPEB) is approximately 70% funded, with an unfunded liability of approximately \$175,408.

Ms. Hill, Ms. Atkinson and Mr. Machala also stated that the Township staff was very well prepared for the audit, and that the Township finances are managed very efficiently and effectively. There were no findings of internal control deficiencies or weaknesses in accounting procedures.

The board thanked Ms. Hill, Ms. Atkinson and Mr. Machala for their report.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes for the 5/20/19 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$283,355.81 for payment as presented.

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

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**Proposed New Lake Improvement Special Assessment District for Byram Lake**

Chairman Krug opened a public hearing on the creation of a new lake improvement special assessment district for Byram Lake. If approved, the project would consist of a 5-year continuation of the existing weed control and lake monitoring program for Byram Lake. The estimated cost of the project is \$200,000, spread over the 5-year period, with a portion of the costs assessed to properties in the City of Linden under a separate special assessment district. The board will accept public comment on the following:

1. The creation of the special assessment district
2. The proposed boundaries of the district
3. The necessity of the improvement
4. The plans for the improvement
5. The cost estimates for the improvement

There was no public comment. The public hearing was closed. Operations Manager Broecker presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-13**

*WHEREAS, the township board of the Charter Township of Fenton has determined to proceed under the provisions of PA 188 of 1954, as amended, to secure plans and estimates of cost together with a proposed special assessment district for assessing the*

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*costs of the proposed lake improvement project to schedule a public hearing upon the same for this date, and*

*WHEREAS, the preliminary plans, estimates of cost and proposed special assessment district were filed with the Township Clerk for public examination and notice of the within hearing upon the same was published and mailed in accordance with law and statute provided as shown by affidavits pertaining thereto on file with the Township Clerk, and*

*WHEREAS, in accordance with the aforesaid notices, a hearing was scheduled this 3rd day of June 2019 commencing at 7:30 p.m. and all persons given the opportunity to be heard in the matter, and*

*WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing, the township board believes the project to be in the best interests of the township and of the district proposed to be established therefor;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:*

- 1. That this township board does hereby approve the plans for the eradication and/or control of aquatic weeds on Byram Lake and services related thereto, as submitted, and the estimate of costs for the completion thereof of \$200,000.00.*
- 2. That this township board does hereby create, determine and define as a special assessment district to be known as Byram Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2, within which the costs of such improvements shall be assessed according to benefits, the following described area within said township:*

***All parcels of land with frontage on, or legal access to, Byram Lake***

- 3. That on the basis of the foregoing, this township board does hereby direct the Supervisor and assessing officer to make a special assessment roll in which shall be entered and described all the parcels of land to be assessed with the names of the respective owners thereof if known, and a total amount to be assessed against each parcel of land which amount shall be the relative portion of the whole sum to be levied against the parcels of land in the in the special assessment district as the benefit to the parcel of land bears to the total benefit to all the parcels of land in the special assessment district. When the same has been completed, the Supervisor and assessing officer shall affix thereto her certificate stating that it was made pursuant to this resolution and that in making such assessment roll, she has, according to her best judgment, conformed in all respects to the directions contained in this resolution and the applicable state statutes.*
- 4. That all resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-13 as presented.

Motion by: Goupil

Seconded: Tucker

Ayes: Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Kesler, Reid

Nays: None

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Absent: Mathis, Lorraine  
Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

Chairman Krug noted that, in anticipation of the adoption of the previous resolution, the Township Supervisor has created, certified and filed with the Township Clerk a proposed special assessment roll. Operations Manager Broecker presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14**

*WHEREAS, the Supervisor and assessing officer of the township has, in accordance with the resolution of the Fenton Township Board and the laws and statutes pertinent thereto, prepared a special assessment roll in the total amount of \$174,667.15 covering all parcels of land in Byram Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 according to the relation of the benefit to each parcel of land to the total benefit to all parcels of land in such special assessment district, and has affixed thereto her certificate as required by said resolution;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:*

- 1. That said special assessment roll shall be filed with the Township Clerk and shall be available for public examination during regular business hours of regular business days from the present date until the public hearing upon the same and shall further be examined at such public hearing.*
- 2. That the Fenton Township Board shall meet at 7:30 p.m. on June 17, 2019 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center located at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, within the township, to review such special assessment roll and hear any objections thereto.*
- 3. That the Township Clerk shall cause notice of such hearing and the filing of such assessment roll to be published twice in the Tri-County Times, a newspaper of general circulation in the township prior to the date of the hearing, with the first publication being not less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing and shall further cause notice of such hearing to be mailed by first class mail to all owners of or persons interested in property within Byram Lake Improvement Special Assessment District No. 2 as shown on the current assessment roll of the Township also at least ten (10) days prior to said hearing, all in accordance with the law and statute provided.*
- 4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-14 as presented.

Motion by: Goupil  
Seconded: Kesler  
Ayes: Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Kesler, Reid  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mathis, Lorraine  
Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

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**Four Lakes Street Improvement Special Assessment District - Hearing on Revised  
Special Assessment Roll**

Chairman Krug opened a public hearing on the increased costs and the special assessment roll for the Four Lakes Street Improvement Special Assessment District.

Treasurer Tucker requested, since he is part of the special assessment district, that he be allowed to abstain from voting on the issue due to a conflict of interest.

Motion to allow Treasurer Tucker to abstain from voting on the Four Lakes Street Improvement Special Assessment due to a conflict of interest.

Motion by: Goupil  
Seconded: Reid  
Ayes: Krug, Goupil, Kesler, Reid  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mathis, Lorraine  
Not Voting: Tucker

Motion carried. Treasurer Tucker removed himself from the board table for the duration of the public hearing.

Chairman Krug stated, as discussed at the 5/20/19 board meeting, the Township Board adopted a resolution in 2018 to confirm a special assessment roll for the Four Lakes Street Improvement Special Assessment District. During the process of finalizing the construction agreement for the project, however, the Township was advised that the cost proposal used as the basis for the special assessment was not calculated correctly by the contractor. After considering all options, the committee of property owners that initiated the special assessment process decided to solicit new construction proposals over the winter, with a goal of completing the street improvements in 2019. To address some of the concerns raised during the special assessment process, the scope of the project was expanded to include improvements for Crystal Cove Court and Emerald Pointe, along with the "original" five streets, (Four Lakes Avenue, West Four Lakes Drive, Sadler Drive, Squaw Lake Drive and Isleview Drive). The construction specifications were also upgraded to extend the life of the new pavement.

As a result of the revisions to the project scope and construction specifications, the total cost of the project increased significantly from the initial estimates. Because the revised total cost exceeds the original estimated cost by more than 10%, the special assessment statute requires that the public hearing held this evening include an opportunity for property owners to comment on the increased costs and whether or not the project should move forward. If the board determines to move forward, the hearing will also include a review and confirmation of the special assessment roll.

**Public Comment:**

Mark Shantz, 4140 Four Lakes Avenue

Mr. Shantz stated that he has been heavily involved in the road project, which has taken approximately two years to get to this point. The original plan called for removing asphalt where needed, up to 2 inches, on the five original streets, repair problem areas, and pave a 2-inch cap. After the issues with proposal surfaced (mentioned above), the decision was made to cancel and re-bid the project. Due to concerns raised during the process, Crystal Cove Court and Emerald Pointe were added to the project and the project scope was revised to remove all 5 inches of asphalt, repair problem areas and pave 5 inches of new asphalt. The original plan had an estimated life of 8-10 years. Under the revised scope of

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work, the roads should last 20-25 years. Mr. Shantz also pointed out that the amount already being paid by property owners under a private road maintenance special assessment can be reduced significantly since the roads should not require maintenance, other than snow plowing, for several years.

Trustee Goupil asked if new petitions were circulated due to the change in project scope and cost. Mr. Shantz stated that he was advised that the Township Attorney had determined that new petitions were not required. Trustee Goupil asked if a majority of the property owners are still in favor of the project, even with the increased cost. Mr. Shantz stated that, in his opinion, 60-70% of the property owners support the current proposed project.

Joe Jenio, 14 Emerald Pointe

Mr. Jenio, who has lived on Emerald Pointe for 20 years, stated that he and his neighbors support the project for the other streets, however he does not believe the scope of work is appropriate for Emerald Pointe. Their street has a few bad areas that should be removed and repaved, but most of the street is fine. Mr. Jenio suggested re-working the project further to address these issues.

Mike Miller, 4266 Crystal Cove Court

Mr. Miller stated that he opposed the project last year because Crystal Cove Court was not included in the improvement. Now that his street is included, he supports the project and believes a majority of his Crystal Cove Court neighbors support it too. Mr. Miller also thanked Mark Shantz for working to include everyone in the process.

Linda Moorhouse, 3407 Islevue Drive

Ms. Moorhouse stated that 100% of the Islevue Drive property owners are in favor of new project. She also likes the concept of reducing the maintenance assessment to help offset the new special assessment.

Brian Wiley, 4276 West Four Lakes Drive

Mr. Wiley stated that approximately 2/3 of property owners on West Four Lakes Drive are in favor of the updated project. The entire neighborhood will benefit from the project and he urged board to move it forward.

Roger Polk, 4120 Four Lakes Avenue

Mr. Polk stated that he supports the project, which he views as the residents protecting their investment. Most of the neighbors he has spoken to are also in favor of the project. The streets are showing significant signs of deterioration so the project should be approved and done now so the streets don't go through another winter.

Mark Orsburn, 4190 Four Lakes Avenue

Mr. Orsburn agrees that something needs to be done with the roads. He reviewed the boring survey and noted that a majority of the bore sites were determined to be intact. He also express the following concerns:

- Some roads need less repair than others.
- The cost increase from the original estimate of \$1,700 to over \$4,600 per property.
- There are no guarantees that the road will last 20 years. Thompson Road is already showing cracks, despite being repaved in 2017.
- The relatively small percentage of property owners in attendance at this hearing.

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Lori Swanson, MDOT civil engineer (niece of Mr. Orsburn)

Ms. Swanson stated that she doesn't necessarily agree with the proposal to mill and resurface five inches when the pavement depth ranges from 4 to 10 inches. She also stated that the pavement has many "blown joints" that will reflect (re-crack) within 2 years. She suggested that milling 1.5 inches, repairing the joints and capping 1.5 inches may be a more cost effective approach.

Trustee Reid asked Ms. Swanson what the cost difference would be using her suggested approach. Ms. Swanson responded that she did not have any numbers prepared, but could come up with a rough estimate.

Lee Martorana, 4180 Four Lakes Avenue

Ms. Martorana stated that the mill and repave approach is more than needed since the boring survey determined that 75% of the roads are intact. Further, the project, as currently proposed, does not address the road base. A "square cut patch" approach may be more effective. She also noted that she submitted an informal petition of opposition from several property owners.

Madeline Shultis, 3450 Four Lakes Avenue

Ms. Shultis expressed opposition to the project. Homes are still being built in the area, which will further damage the road. She favors re-evaluating the project to reduce costs. She is also concerned with the potential for speeding on the improved streets.

Alice Farah, 4265 West Four Lakes Drive

Ms. Farah accused board of not caring and rushing to a decision. She urged the board to require petitions to be recirculated.

David Bloom, 4199 West Four Lakes Drive

Referring to the MDOT engineer's comments, Mr. Bloom asked if the approach suggested by her would last as long as the proposed project. Ms. Swanson briefly responded that it would depend on a number of variables, such as asphalt mix, etc.

Amy Bloom, 4199 West Four Lakes Drive

Ms. Bloom questioned the special assessment process. Was this a vote by property owners? Chairman Krug clarified that the special assessment process was initiated by a petition from a majority of the property owners.

Mark Shantz, 4140 Four Lakes Avenue

Mr. Shantz stated that a lot of information was shared with the property owners through the informational meeting that was held in April, and through social media, (acknowledging that not everyone is on social media). The existing road maintenance fund is not sufficient to fix the road. Although borings provide some data, contractors still don't know what they will find until they start working. Fixing the roads is the ultimate objective.

Trustee Goupil asked when the revised costs were known and shared. Mr. Shantz responded that bids were sent out in January, received in February March. The revised costs were shared with property owners at an informational meeting on 4/16/19. He again stated that he believes a majority of property owners are still in favor of the project as currently proposed.

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Lee Martorana, 4180 Four Lakes Avenue

Ms. Martorana pointed out that the original petition was circulated based on a lower cost. It doesn't make sense to fix portions of the road that don't need it and create a financial hardship for many residents. She offered to help re-bid the project to make it more cost effective.

Allen Lawrence, Lawrence Engineering, PC

Mr. Lawrence clarified that the term "intact" in the boring survey means that the borings were intact. It does not mean the road doesn't need to be repaired. The original project scope was more of a "band-aid" or "patch" approach. The project currently proposed is based on Genesee County Road Commission specifications, and is as close as you can get to a brand new road without a complete tear-out. Milling 5 inches should eliminate most, if not all, cracks. The references made to cracks in Thompson Road are irrelevant due to differences in traffic volume.

Chairman Krug suggested continuing the hearing at the 6/17/19 meeting. He requested that property owners submit their support or opposition to the current project via informal petition or other written form, by 5:00 p.m. Thursday 6/13/19.

Trustee Goupil agreed. If a majority of the property owners support the current project, the board should approve and move it forward.

Motion to continue the public hearing on the special assessment roll for the Four Lakes Street Improvement Special Assessment District to the June 17, 2019 Fenton Township Board meeting.

Motion: Goupil  
Seconded: Kesler  
Ayes: Krug, Goupil, Kesler, Reid  
Absent: Mathis, Lorraine  
Abstaining: Tucker

Motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**APM Mosquito Control Report**

The board briefly reviewed a report from APM Mosquito Control. The unusually cool and wet weather this spring has delayed mosquito hatching, resulting in fewer nuisance calls. Services will likely increase as the weather warms up.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Genesee County Recycle Day - June 8, 2019**

The board briefly reviewed the flyer for the upcoming Recycle Day, sponsored by the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission. One of the collection sites for the 6/8/19 collection day is Fenton High School. This is a great opportunity for Fenton area residents to properly dispose of household hazardous waste and electronic waste.

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**Proposed Ordinance to Prohibit Recreational Marihuana Establishments/2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**



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Chairman Krug stated that this is the second reading of a proposed ordinance to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments in Fenton Township, which was introduced at the 5/20/19 meeting. Michigan's Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA) initiative, approved by voters during the November 2018 election, requires cities and townships to affirmatively opt-out if their desire is to prevent recreational marihuana establishments and retail centers from locating in their communities. The State of Michigan may approve emergency rules as early as next month and shortly begin accepting applications. Although the law does not fully take effect until December, communities are being advised to adopt regulatory ordinances now if they have not already done so. There was no further discussion.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 809, an ordinance to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments in Fenton Township, as presented.

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

Motion carried. Ordinance declared adopted.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Proposed GCRC Agreement - Ray Road Culvert Replacement**

Operations Manager Broecker reviewed information from the Genesee County Road Commission (GCRC) regarding the replacement of the Kimball Drain culvert under Ray Road, which has collapsed and closed Ray Road. GCRC has provided a proposed agreement for the replacement. GCRC will cover \$112,500.00 of the \$150,000 project cost, with Fenton and Mundy Township each being responsible for \$18,750.00. The board was reminded that this culvert replacement was already on the 2019 project list and will not require a budget amendment.

Motion to approve the agreement with the Genesee County Road Commission and Mundy Township for the replacement of the Kimball Drain culvert under Ray Road, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

**Bond Authorizing Resolution - Four Lakes Street Improvement Project**

Since the public hearing for the Four Lakes Street Improvement Special Assessment District will be continued at the 6/17/19 meeting, the bond authorizing resolution will also be moved to the 6/17/19 agenda.

**Resolution No. 2019-15, Eleanor Street Improvement Special Assessment**

Operations Manager Broecker reminded the board that a resolution was adopted in 2018 to create the Eleanor Street Improvement Special Assessment District for the

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reconstruction of Eleanor Street from Owen Road to Island View Drive. The Genesee County Road Commission completed the design and engineering for the project late in 2018 and bid out the project last month. The low bid among the six bidders was \$140,475.00, which is \$15,475.00 (12.4%) above the initial estimate. Because the revised cost exceeds the original estimated cost by more than 10%, PA 188 requires the board to hold a hearing to give property owners an opportunity to provide input on whether or not the project should move forward. If it is determined to move forward, that same hearing can include a review and confirmation of the special assessment roll. A resolution has been prepared to schedule the public hearing. Operations Manager Broecker presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-15**

*WHEREAS, the Supervisor and assessing officer of the township has, in accordance with the resolution of the Fenton Township Board and the laws and statutes pertinent thereto, prepared a revised special assessment roll in the total amount of \$140,476.50 covering all parcels of land in the Eleanor Street Improvement Special Assessment District according to the relation of the benefit to each parcel of land to the total benefit to all parcels of land in such special assessment district, and has affixed thereto her certificate as required by said resolution, and*

*WHEREAS, the total cost in said special assessment roll exceed the previous estimated cost by more than ten percent (10%), and*

*WHEREAS, Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, requires that, if an actual incremental cost increase exceeds the estimate costs by 10% or more, notice shall be given and a hearing afforded to the record owners of property to be assessed;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:*

- 5. That said special assessment roll shall be filed with the Township Clerk and shall be available for public examination during regular working hours of regular working days from the present date until the public hearing upon the same and shall further be examined at such public hearing.*
- 6. That the Fenton Township Board shall meet at 7:30 p.m. on June 17, 2019 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center located at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, within the township, to:*
  - a. Receive comment from property owners in the special assessment district regarding the continuation of the project given the increase in costs.*
  - b. Review the special assessment roll and hear any objections thereto.*
- 7. That the Township Clerk shall cause notice of such hearing and the filing of such assessment roll to be published twice in the Tri-County Times, a newspaper of general circulation in the township prior to the date of the hearing, with the first publication being not less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing and shall further cause notice of such hearing to be mailed by first class mail to all owners of or persons having an ownership interest in property within the Eleanor Street Improvement Special Assessment District as shown on the current assessment roll of the Township also at*

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*least ten (10) days prior to said hearing, all in accordance with the law and statute provided.*

8. *All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of the within resolution are hereby rescinded.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-15 as presented.

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

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

**Appointment to the Fenton Township Planning Commission**

Reading from a memo from Supervisor Mathis, Chairman Krug noted that the terms of Planning Commissioners David Cypher and Justin Westbrook expired as of 5/31/19. Both gentlemen have done an excellent job on the Planning Commission, however Justin Westbrook recently moved out of Fenton Township and has suggested he not be re-appointed. The township is in the process of identifying potential candidates to fill that seat. David Cypher has indicated that he would like to be re-appointed and Supervisor Mathis is recommending he be re-appointed to a 3-year term.

Motion to re-appoint David A. Cypher to the Fenton Township Planning Commission for the term ending May 31, 2022.

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

Motion carried.

**BOARD COMMENT:**

None

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

Ray Dillard, 13331 Crane Ridge Drive

Noting that both the medical marihuana and recreational marihuana proposals passed in Fenton Township, Mr. Dillard asked for clarification on the ordinance that was just adopted. Attorney Belzer clarified that the board adopted an ordinance to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments within its boundaries, which does not affect the legality of consumption of recreational marihuana.

Kevin Keils, 12020 Bowles Street

Mr. Keils asked why the board is prohibiting recreational marihuana establishments when a majority of Fenton Township voters voted for the proposal. Chairman Krug stated that the fact that voters approved the proposal to allow recreational use of marihuana, does not mean they favor allowing marihuana establishments.

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Trustee Reid noted that the ordinance was introduced at the last board meeting, published in the local newspaper and on the township’s website. Mr. Keils is the only individual that has approached the township suggesting that the ordinance shouldn’t be adopted.

Trustee Goupil added that recreational marihuana is new issue, or “uncharted territory” for local governments. Fenton Township has opted out of allowing establishments, but will monitor the progress of other communities. This board could reconsider the issue at some point in the future.

Chairman Krug agreed. If the Township Board changes their opinion, they can opt back in by repealing the ordinance.

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Robert Krug, Chairman Pro-Tem

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Thomas Broecker, Deputy Clerk

**Minutes Posted 6/7/19**