

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 7, 2019**

**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, Goupil, Lorraine, Reid, Attorney Belzer and Operations  
Manager Broecker.

Absent: Tucker, Kesler

**OPENING PRAYER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer. Supervisor Mathis led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the 10/7/19 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: Lorraine

Seconded: Goupil

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Goupil, Lorraine, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Tucker, Kesler

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The minutes for the 9/16/19 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$835,449.99 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Reid

Seconded: Goupil

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Goupil, Lorraine, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Tucker, Kesler

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

**Fire Department 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report**

Fire Chief Ryan Volz presented third quarter statistics for the Fenton Township Fire Department, providing additional details regarding the types of emergencies that fall within the reporting categories.

Total alarms	202 (24 in Tyrone Twp.)
Fires/Explosions	11
EMS	113
Hazardous conditions	8
Service calls	13
Good intent calls	38
False alarms	17
Severe weather	2

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The board thanked Chief Volz for his report.

**Ordinance Enforcement 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report**

Supervisor Mathis reviewed the 3rd quarter report from Ordinance Enforcement Officer Pat Shaw. Blight, tall grass, dog control and junk vehicles were the categories with the highest number of complaints for the quarter.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution No. 2019-49, Honoring Eagle Scout Samuel Levi**

Supervisor Mathis reported that Fenton Township resident Samuel Levi recently achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in Troop 219. His Eagle Scout project including the construction of agility equipment in the Thompson Road Regional Dog Park. A resolution has been prepared to honor Sam for his impressive achievement.

Clerk Krug presented the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-49**

*WHEREAS, Fenton Township resident Samuel Levi has attained the rank of Eagle Scout and, on November 23, 2019, will be presented with the prestigious 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, Samuel Levi, a valued member of Boy Scout Troop 219, is a dedicated young man who has earned the respect and admiration of his fellow scouts through his active participation in the many programs sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America, and*

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

- *Elected to the BSA Order of the Arrow in 2017.*
- *Member of the Governor's Honor Guard Troop 127, serving Mackinac Island.*
- *Member of the Honor Guard serving the State of Michigan Parks Service.*
- *Served Troop 219 in several leadership positions, including Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader and Quartermaster.*

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- *Attended numerous Scouting Summer Camp and International Scout Rally events throughout Michigan and the United States.*
- *Earned a total of 56 Merit Badges.*

*and*

*WHEREAS, Sam completed a major community service project consisting of constructing and installing agility equipment and leash poles in the Thompson Road Regional Dog Park – a product of 189 volunteer hours, fundraising efforts and plenty of hard work, and*

*WHEREAS, Sam’s fundraising work generated donations that exceeded the cost of the project and Sam generously donated those funds to the Thompson Road Regional Dog Park, and*

*WHEREAS, Sam has truly exhibited a commitment to the principals of Scouting and has consistently conducted himself in exemplary fashion on his journey to 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 Samuel Levi 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. Levi.*

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-49 as presented.

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

Motion carried. Resolution declared adopted.

Clerk Krug presented a copy to Samuel Levi, who was in attendance at the meeting.

**Proposed Amendments - 2019 Fenton Township Budget**

Operations Manager Broecker reviewed proposed amendments to the General Fund and Fire Fund budgets. Significant revisions include:

**General Fund**

- \$251,000 increase to road costs due to the funding of the North Shore Drive and Eleanor Street special assessment projects. This cost is partially offset by \$111,000 in projected special assessment payments and payoffs.
- \$50,400 decrease in road expenditures due to the delay in the proposed paving project for Whitaker Road (Linden Road to Harp Drive).
- The net change to the overall General Fund budget is \$0.

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Fire Fund

- \$25,000 increase to Proceeds from Sale of Assets due to pending sale of the 1999 Pierce pumper truck.
- \$30,000 increase to Building & Grounds expense due to a new roof for the Bowles Street fire station and the construction/installation of the training center adjacent to the DPW facility.
- \$30,000 reduction in salary expense, based on year-to-date actual expense.
- \$591,000 increase to new truck expense for the new Pierce pumper truck purchased.

There are no proposed amendments for the other funds at this time.

Motion to adopt amendments to the 2019 Fenton Township Budget, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

**Proposed Revisions to Fenton Township Schedule of Fees**

Operations Manager Broecker reviewed proposed revisions to the Township's fee schedule. There are three proposed changes:

1. A tiered fee structure for commercial building permits. The flat rate in the current schedule results in excessively high permit fees for large-scale and/or multi-story structures. The proposed calculation method will be more equitable.
2. Permit fees for renovations will now be calculated on a per-square foot basis, with a \$100 minimum, rather than just a flat \$100 fee.
3. The permit deposit will also be collected for demolition permits.

Motion to adopt the revised Fenton Township Schedule of Fees as presented, effective October 8, 2019.

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

Motion carried.

**Proposed Hiring - Fenton Township Fire Department**

Fire Chief Volz recommend to the Township Board the hiring of Nicholas Pretz as a member of the Fenton Township Fire Department. Mr. Pretz is a licensed paramedic and has passed all pre-employment screenings. Chief Volz believes he will be an excellent addition to the department.

Motion to approve the hiring of Nicholas R. Pretz as a member of the Fenton Township Fire Department.

Motion by: Goupil  
Seconded: Lorraine

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Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Goupil, Lorraine, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Tucker, Kesler

Motion carried.

Chief Volz advised there several additional new employee applications in process for the fire department.

**BOARD COMMENT:**

None

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

None

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

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Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

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Robert Krug, Clerk

**Minutes Posted 10/08/19**