

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 17, 2020**

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

Absent: Kesler, Lorraine

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 2/17/20 Fenton Township Board Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Krug

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Kesler, Lorraine

Motion carried. The agenda is approved.

MEETING MINUTES:

Trustee Reid suggested revising the 2/3/20 special meeting minutes to include information regarding the length of time since the fire chief's last salary increase. The minutes for the 2/3/20 special meeting stand approved as amended. The minutes for the 2/3/20 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

EXPENDITURES:

Supervisor Mathis asked about the invoice for Waldorf & Sons, Inc. Operations Manager Broecker explained that the residents on Lakeside Landing have a special assessment district to maintain a pump station that controls storm water in their neighborhood. The residents hired Waldorf to perform the maintenance on the pump. Supervisor also asked about the \$65.98 invoice for Verizon wireless. Operations Manager Broecker confirmed that this is the monthly bill for the two phones still on the township plan – the Township Clerk's and the front desk phone. Motion to approve invoices and expenditures for all funds totaling \$407,047.30 for payment as presented.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Reid

Ayes: Mathis, Tucker, Goupil, Reid

Nays: Krug

Absent: Kesler, Lorraine

Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None

REPORTS:

None

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COMMUNICATIONS:

None

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

Proposed Criminal Offense Ordinance (Larceny) - Introduction & 1st Reading

Supervisor Mathis introduced a proposed ordinance pertaining to larceny and similar crimes drafted by Attorney Belzer. Mr. Belzer noted that most of the Township's criminal offenses have been covered under a single Disorderly Persons Ordinance, which has created difficulties with law enforcement officials and in the prosecution process. Similar to the *Assault & Battery Ordinance* adopted in January, this proposed ordinance separates larceny and similar crimes from the *Disorderly Persons Ordinance*, which will improve the enforcement and prosecution process. The language in the proposed ordinance is based on Michigan law.

There was no public comment. The second reading and vote on adoption for the proposed ordinance will be conducted at the 3/2/20 meeting.

Proposed Criminal Offense Ordinance (Obstruction of Justice) - Introduction & 1st Reading

Supervisor Mathis introduced a proposed ordinance pertaining to obstruction of justice and similar crimes drafted by Attorney Belzer. Mr. Belzer noted that, unlike the previous ordinance, this proposed ordinance addresses offenses that are not addressed in the *Disorderly Persons Ordinance*, including resisting arrest, obstruction of justice and similar crimes. This ordinance will improve the enforcement and prosecution process. The language in the proposed ordinance is based on Michigan law.

There was no public comment. The second reading and vote on adoption for the proposed ordinance will be conducted at the 3/2/20 meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed GCRC Local Road Agreement - Petts Road

Operations Manager Broecker noted that, as reported to the Township Board on 4/1/19, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) updated its Low-Moderate Income Maps in 2019 based on updated census income data. As a result of this update, the area of Fenton Township that was previously identified as *Low-Moderate Income* was no longer so designated. Therefore, the road improvement projects submitted in early 2019 for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding were no longer eligible, leaving those funds unallocated.

The updated map from HUD identifies a different area of Fenton Township as *Low-Moderate Income*, (map attached). Based on the new map, and consultation with the Township Engineer and the Genesee County Road Commission (GCRC), the resurfacing of Petts Road has been identified as a suitable project for CDBG funding. Using the CDBG funding as the local match, the Township can use GCRC allocation funds for most, or possibly all, of the remainder of the project, thereby using very little, if any, General Fund money.

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The board reviewed a local road agreement from GCRC for this project. Although the Township is still waiting for estimates for other potential projects, GCRC would like to move forward on this and other CDBG funded projects throughout Genesee County. It is recommended that the Township Board approve the GCRC agreement to allow the Petts Road project to move forward.

Motion to approve the Local Road Agreement with the Genesee County Road Commission for the resurfacing of Petts Road, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

GCRC Cost Proposal – Margaret Drive Improvement Special Assessment District

Operations Manager Broecker, noting that the adoption of Resolution No. 2020-02 at the 2/3/20 Township Board meeting formally created the Margaret Drive Improvement Special Assessment District, advised that the next step in the process is to approve the cost proposal for the milling and resurfacing of Margaret Drive, which totals \$212,070.08. Once approved by the Township Board, the project will be scheduled and completed sometime this year. When the project has been completed, the final cost will be used to create the special assessment roll, which will need to be confirmed by resolution after holding a public hearing. In order to move the project forward, Mr. Broecker recommended that the Township Board approve the GCRC cost proposal for Margaret Drive as presented.

Motion to approve the Genesee County Road Commission cost proposal for the milling and resurfacing of Margaret Drive, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Letter of Resignation – Fenton Township Fire Department

The board reviewed a letter of resignation from Firefighter Craig Middleton. In his letter, Mr. Middleton thanked Chief Volz and the Township for the opportunity to serve the residents of Fenton Township.

Motion to accept the resignation of Craig Middleton from the Fenton Township Fire Department, effective immediately.

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

Motion carried.

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BOARD COMMENT:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Tom Wiltrot, AYSO Assistant Section Director, Section 8

Mr. Wiltrot expressed concern that three soccer organizations now want to use the Deer Run facility, but time is running short on reaching a permanent solution. Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation has been holding meetings regularly to work through the issues, but he is concerned about costs, extent of field use, etc. He understands that the Township is not necessarily in a position to take any action, but he just wanted the board to be aware of the concerns. The board thanked Mr. Wiltrot for the information.

CLOSED SESSION:

Fenton Township Employees Union Collective Bargaining Agreement - Proposed Letter of Agreement

Motion to recess the open meeting for the purpose of convening a closed session to discuss a proposed Letter of Agreement regarding the Fenton Township Employees Union Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Motion by: Tucker

Seconded: Reid

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Kesler, Lorraine

Motion carried. The open meeting was recessed at 8:19 p.m.

The open meeting was reconvened at 8:29 p.m. There were no decisions made or action taken during the closed session.

NEW BUSINESS (continued):

Motion to approve the Letter of Agreement to revise the Fenton Township Employees Union Collective Bargaining Agreement, as presented.

Motion by: Krug

Seconded: Reid

Ayes: Mathis, Krug, Tucker, Goupil, Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Kesler, Lorraine

Motion carried.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Bonnie Mathis, Supervisor

Robert Krug, Clerk

Minutes Posted 02/18/20