

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION MEETING
MARCH 8, 2021 MINUTES**

PRESENT – Trustee Holman, Trustee Jeske, Treasurer Pachman, Supervisor Marcinkowski, Clerk Fagan, Trustee Graham, Trustee Lundell

ABSENT – Trustee Jeske

ALSO PRESENT – (4) Four interested parties

CALL TO ORDER - Supervisor Marcinkowski called the March 8, 2021 Work Session Meeting to order at 10:00 AM and led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA - Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to accept the AMENDED January 11, 2021 Work Session Township Board Meeting Agenda.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS – The Board discussed the final budget adoption meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 31st 2021 at 10:00 am.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- 1. Article R 63 – Natural Area Conservation District Draft Ordinance** – Updated draft was reviewed showing the language allowing hunting.

NEW BUSINESS –

- 1. Senior Millage Grant for 2021** –

Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to suspend for open floor comments from audience members Kris Collee, Jennifer Jordan, and Prosecutor DJ Hilson to discuss AgeWell Services. *Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES - motion carried*

Kris Collee and Jennifer Jordan presented on the services offered by AgeWell and how they could be further utilized in Fruitland Township and how a partnership between Fruitland Township and AgeWell could benefit the senior residents in the community.

Prosecutor DJ Hilson spoke about AgeWell and the Safe Seniors program. Each of them answered questions from the Board.

Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to suspend from open floor comments. *Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES - motion carried*

The Board then discussed other options for the Senior Millage Grant including the Whitehall Athletic and Activity Center, the Senior Center in Whitehall as well as offering vouchers similar to what the Board decided last year. The Board is hoping to make a decision on how to allocate the Senior Millage Grant funds at the next Regular Board Meeting on March 15th.

2. **Treasurer Report** – Trustee Holman requested that future Revenue and Expenditure reports be printed in color so that they are easier to read and understand.
3. **Resolution No. 2021-04 Establish Supervisor Salary for Fiscal year 2021/2022** – The Board discussed not raising salaries for the Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustees for the upcoming fiscal year. All Board members supported keeping salaries the same as last year for the board and increasing raises for other township employees to show appreciation and to ensure that the employee wages are competitive and in line with other municipalities.
4. **Resolution No. 2021-05 Establish Clerk Salary for Fiscal year 2021/2022 -**
5. **Resolution No. 2021-06 Establish Treasurer Salary for Fiscal year 2021/2022**
6. **Resolution No. 2021-07 Establish Trustee Salary for Fiscal year 2021/2022**
7. **Review of proposed Township Budget for Fiscal year 2021/2022** – The Board discussed the current proposed budget. Some of the major items include raises for township employees as well as a health insurance plan for 2 employees that plan to enroll. Supervisor Marcinkowski asked for any suggestions on projects that may need to be completed in the next year. The Board discussed the boat launch area and whether we should consider funding for another dock.
8. **February PINS Report** – Report was not available. It should be ready in time for the Regular Meeting.
9. **Technology** – Supervisor Marcinkowski reported that he is looking into upgrading the phone system at the township Hall.

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BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION – Trustee Holman reported that the Planning Commission plans to start meeting again in April. Trustee Holman is also doing research on local garbage companies as well as how our ecology station rates compare.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Graham,
ADOPTED, to adjourn the March 8, 2021 Work Session of the
Township of Fruitland at 12:00 PM.

*Upon Voice Vote: **ZAYES – motion carried***

Respectfully Submitted,

Breann Fagan, Clerk
Township of Fruitland