

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2021 MINUTES**

PRESENT – Trustee Jeske, Treasurer Pachman, Clerk Fagan, Trustee Holman (arrived at 6:08), Trustee Graham, Trustee Lundell

ABSENT – Supervisor Marcinkowski

ALSO PRESENT – (4) Four interested parties

CALL TO ORDER – Clerk Fagan called the August 16, 2021 Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA - Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to accept the August 16, 2021 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.
Upon Voice Vote: 5 AYES – motion carried

AUDIT PRESENTATION – Eric VanDop, Brickley DeLong – FY 2020/2021 Audit Presentation

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Kathy Bures, 6120 Scenic Woods Circle N – Spoke about an idea she emailed to Supervisor Marcinkowski regarding a “Fruitland Township Engagement” campaign to increase engagement and pride in Fruitland Township. She suggested the phrase “From Coast to Coaster” and activities such as movie nights at the park and selling tshirts.

Terrie Hampel, 6171 Duck Lake Rd – Spoke about the artist that has been designing the signage for the Duck Creek Natural Area. Reported a low turn out for the August “Walk-about at the DCNA with the Friends of Fruitland Township Trails. Expressed interest in a potential committee for the future of the ecology station and stated that she has a brother that is involved with recycling in California.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS –

- a. **Letter from Dalton Twp – Dalton Township is having a public hearing in consideration of an ordinance to allow the operation of Off Road Vehicles on township roads. The public hearing is on September 13 at 6pm and Supervisor Marcinkowski plans to attend.**

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **July 2021 Treasurer reports; Revenues (101) General Fund \$236,022.43 : Expenditures: (101) General Fund \$312,190.04 ; (130) Public Works \$541.67**

- b. **July 2021 Clerk reports – Check disbursements; budget amendments**
- c. **Minutes - July 12, 2021 Work Session and July 19, 2021 Regular Board Meeting**
- d. **July PINS Report**
- e. ~~**Ordinance Enforcement update – report from Toby Frederickson**~~
- f. **Zoning report – from Val Jensen**

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Treasurer Pachman, **ADOPTED**, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Graham **AYE**, Trustee Lundell **AYE**, Treasurer Pachman **AYE**, Trustee Jeske **AYE**, Clerk Fagan **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **ABSENT**, – **motion carried**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- a. **Road Signage for Duck Creek Natural Area** – The Board discussed the addition of our logo and clarified that the Friends of Fruitland Trails are planning to pay for the signs from the money they've raised at fundraisers.

Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to approve the sign design with the addition of our township logo.

Upon Voice Vote: **5 AYES – motion carried**

- b. **3905 Scenic Dr – Owner was served –**

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to enter into closed session to discuss a settlement agreement presented by Attorney Even.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Graham **AYE**, Trustee Lundell **AYE**, Treasurer Pachman **AYE**, Trustee Jeske **AYE**, Clerk Fagan **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **ABSENT**, – **motion carried**

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to come out of closed session.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Graham **AYE**, Trustee Lundell **AYE**, Treasurer Pachman **AYE**, Trustee Jeske **AYE**, Clerk Fagan **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **ABSENT**, – **motion carried**

Motion by Trustee Lundell, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to accept the settlement agreement as written.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Graham **AYE**, Trustee Lundell **AYE**, Treasurer Pachman **AYE**, Trustee Jeske **AYE**, Clerk Fagan **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **ABSENT**, – **motion carried**

- c. **Technology - Website update** – Clerk Fagan presented the first rough draft of the new township website from STG. The Board discussed the color scheme and suggested keeping primarily blue and white as the colors but asked to consider adding some “woody” colors as well. Clerk Fagan asked the Board to send any

photos they have of Fruitland Township that could be displayed on the website to her email. Trustee Jeske suggested sharing the draft with the Parks and Recreation Commission to see if they would like to add anything or write something up for their section.

NEW BUSINESS –

a. Board of Review appointments – Meredith Kuiper and Lori Newman as the alternate.

Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Graham, **ADOPTED**, to approve Meredith Kuiper and Lori Newman as the Board of Review appointments.

Upon Voice Vote: 5 AYES – motion carried

b. Request a joint Special meeting with the Whitehall City Council and White Lake Fire Authority to discuss the future of ambulance service – September 14 – 10am – Fire Station #1 – Clerk Fagan shared that this meeting will be to discuss whether White Lake Fire Authority should add 2 ambulances to their service with Fruitland Township and Whitehall City Council to pay.

Motion by Treasurer Pachman, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to approve the requested special meeting.

Upon Voice Vote: 4 AYES, 1 NAY – motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Carlet Mitenbuler, 4623 Nestrom Rd. – Asked Trustee Holman to share why he voted no to the special meeting with White Lake Fire Authority and Whitehall City Council.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION – Trustee Holman responded to public comment stating that he has personal reasons to vote against the meeting, as well as the WLFA not having any paramedics on staff, not currently staffing Fire Station #2 and the belief that they are using the equipment they have incorrectly and wasting resources. Clerk Fagan shared that 2020 Census results are finally in and Fruitland Township's population increased by 250 people, up to 5,793.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Graham, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the August 16, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 6:46 PM.

Upon Voice Vote: 6 AYES – motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Breann Fagan, Clerk

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