

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 17, 2013
MINUTES**

PRESENT – Trustee Bard, Trustee Deur, Trustee Rissi, Clerk Rillema, Treasurer Beegle, Trustee Hampel, Supervisor St. Amour

ALSO PRESENT – Two (2) interested parties.

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor St. Amour called the Monday, June 17, 2013 Regular Meeting to order at 5:00 PM. The pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence was observed.

AGENDA – Supervisor St. Amour asked to amend the agenda by adding under Board/Committee Updates the Wireless/Broadband Citizen's Advisory Committee Update.

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Deur, **ADOPTED**, to accept the amended June 17, 2013 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was no public comment.

MINUTES –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to accept the May 13, 2013 Work Session Minutes and May 20, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS –

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Deur, **ADOPTED**, to accept the Receipts of \$22,642.50 and Bank Balance and Certificate of Deposits of \$984,121.84 for the period of May 1, 2013 through May 31, 2013 as reported by Melissa Beegle, Fruitland Township Treasurer and approve General Fund 101 Disbursements in the amount of \$64,625.47 and Fund 145 Disbursements in the amount of \$7,525.00 for the period of May 1, 2013 through May 31, 2013 as reported by Karolyn Rillema, Fruitland Township Clerk.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS – Supervisor St. Amour stated that Discount Dump Days are in effect for the month of June. Grant monies were received for the Muskegon County Department of Public Health to perform beach water testing at various sites weekly. A site south of the White Lake Channel Pier is our test site. SPLKA Director Cindy Beth Davis-Dykema is stepping down from her position as she will be moving back to Hawaii.

COMMITTEE/BOARD UPDATES –

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- White Lake Ambulance Authority – Supervisor St. Amour stated that Resolution 2013-14 was adopted by the Board at its last work session and emailed/mailed to the participating municipalities. The frustration continues for the WLAA board to ignore issues raised by Fruitland Township.

- White Lake Fire Authority –

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to accept the White Lake Fire Authority Articles of Incorporation change to Article VI Paragraph 4. Quorum, Meetings and Voting to read: *The Board shall meet at least quarter annually and shall hold special meetings upon call of the Chairperson or three Board members. No action shall be taken by the Board except by concurring vote of four members.*

*Upon Voice Vote: **7 AYES – motion carried***

- Planning Commission - Trustee Deur stated that the Commission met on June 5th. Their July 3rd meeting has been rescheduled to July 9, 2013 due to the closeness of the 4th of July Holiday. A public hearing on three ordinance language changes will be scheduled at the July meeting. The Duck Creek Watershed Management Plan that was approved by the DEQ was discussed but due to the large size of the document, Trustee Deur has made contact with Steve Coverly who will be making a presentation to the Planning Commission early fall.
- Parks & Recreation Commission - Trustee Hampel stated that the Commission met on June 3rd. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan is being reviewed for updates due to the potential application for grant monies to the Michigan DNR to upgrade/develop trails on some of the township property. The swing set is scheduled to be delivered to Marcus Park sometime this week. The Commission will continue using student/resident volunteers to perform light tasks throughout the summer around the township hall/park area.
- Zoning Board of Appeals - Clerk Rillema stated that an appeal has been filed with the 14th Circuit Court from Michael Brewer, 4484 Park Street, v. the Zoning Board of Appeals for a public hearing ruling held on April 8, 2013. Three hearings are scheduled for Monday, July 8, 2013.
- Wireless/Broadband Citizen's Advisory Committee - Trustee Deur reported that a meeting was held with a representative of MiSpot who indicated their intent to enter Muskegon County for broadband service soon, pending their search for suitable tower sites.

OLD BUSINESS –

1. Ordinance Enforcement – Supervisor St. Amour stated that 5162 South Shore appears to have done some cleanup but will be looked at again. Deputy Ashker has been given several properties to revisit/visit, one being 3775 White Lake Drive.
2. Community Building Rental - Supervisor St. Amour stated that Attorney Even is drafting an agreement to be discussed at the July work session.

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3. Road End Agreements - Supervisor St. Amour stated that Attorney Even has updated that "draft" agreement with the White Lake Association (WLA) which will be discussed at the July work session.

RESOLUTION 2013-15 Performance and Indemnification

Motion by Supervisor St. Amour, second by Trustee Hampel, **ADOPTED**, to authorize the Supervisor to sign Resolution 2013-15 Performance and Indemnification for the Muskegon County Road Commission.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Trustee Rissi **AYE**, Trustee Deur **AYE**, Trustee Bard **AYE**, Supervisor St. Amour **AYE** - **motion carried**

Motion by Supervisor St. Amour, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to instruct Supervisor St. Amour to sign the permit application for both Nestrom Road End to place and maintain trash barrel and mow grass within the right-of-way and Scenic Drive Road End to place and maintain a porta-jon, trash barrel, placement of donation box for dock repairs, place a seasonal dock and allow limited mowing.

Upon Voice Vote: **7 AYES – motion carried**

NEW BUSINESS –

1. MTA Dues -

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to authorize the Clerk to pay MTA Annual Dues for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$4,228.25.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Bard **AYE**, Trustee Deur **AYE**, Trustee Rissi **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Supervisor St. Amour **AYE** - **motion carried**

2. Caller ID/Call Recording - Trustee Rissi reported that Comcast is able to provide Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) but not able to provide voice recording. She stated that a savings of approximately \$75.00 per month could be gained by combining our internet, phone and long distance providers to one. She will be reviewing the quote from Comcast to verify that our security system and 911 call alert service is included. More to come at the July work session.

3. Tax Sale Properties -

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RESOLUTION 2013-16

**PURCHASE OF TAX FORECLOSED FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP PARCEL
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 61-06-413-010-0021-00**

WHEREAS, Tax foreclosed parcels may be purchased by governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, The County of Muskegon has granted first rights of refusal to purchase property at the greater minimum bid or its fair market value to Fruitland Township; and

WHEREAS, The County of Muskegon has placed the parcel identified as 61-06-413-010-0021-00 on the 2013 Real Estate for Public Purpose listing and is available to a city, village or township that may purchase for a public purpose, any property located within that municipality by paying the County minimum bid, minus any taxes levied by that city, village or township and any interest, penalties for fees owing to the municipalities for those taxes; and

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WHEREAS, Public ownership of property, identified as parcel numbered 61-06-413-010-0021-00, will provide Fruitland Township to own such parcel which is contiguous with other Fruitland Township property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Treasurer Melissa Beegle is directed to submit a completed application to obtain Real Estate for Public Purpose, parcel identified as 61-06-413-010-0021-00 for an amount of three hundred sixty dollars and 40 cents (\$360.40).

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Deur, **ADOPTED**, Resolution 2013-16, Purchase of Tax Foreclosed Fruitland Township Parcel Identification Number 61-06-413-010-0021-00.

Upon a roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

"**AYE**": Trustee Hampel, Treasurer Beegle, Clerk Rillema, Trustee Rissi, Trustee Deur, Trustee Bard, Supervisor St. Amour

"**NAY**": None

"**ABSENT**": None

BE IT RESOLVED, Resolution 2013-16 was **ADOPTED** by the Fruitland Township Board on June 17, 2013.

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Fruitland Township

4. White Lake Beacon Subscription -

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to authorize the Clerk to subscribe to the White Lake Beacon in the amount of \$38.50 per year.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Bard **AYE**, Trustee Deur **AYE**, Trustee Rissi **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Supervisor St. Amour **AYE** - **motion carried**

5. Montague-Whitehall Rotary Club Fireworks Fund Request -

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Hampel, **ADOPTED**, to authorize the Clerk to donate \$100.00 toward the Montague-Whitehall Rotary Club Fireworks for services rendered subject to adding our name as a sponsor in the minutes or advertisement.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Trustee Rissi **AYE**, Trustee Deur **AYE**, Trustee Bard **AYE**, Supervisor St. Amour **AYE** - **motion carried**

6 Board Comments - Clerk Rillema stated that the 2012-13 Audit was completed last Monday/Tuesday by Brickley DeLong. Three adjusting journal entries were completed and our 2012-13 Fiscal Year End Report will be presented at the August Regular meeting by Eric VanDop of Brickley DeLong. Clerk Rillema also stated that both the House and Senate passed HB 4743 for revisions to the Fireworks Safety Act and is on its way for signature by the Governor. She reported that local units with a population of less than 50,000 located in a county with a population of less than 750,000, local ordinances may regulate hours between "1 a.m. and 8 a.m." Due to the regulation hours, this revision will not help the individual who spoke at last week's work session. She will forward this information on to Attorney Even who is gathering information on tickets issued in the last year for firework discharge. Trustee Rissi reported some disturbing happenings on Duck Lake after dark. Night spearing for fish using generators for light are shining up the hillsides into homes. Trustee Rissi reported that the gate into the Duck Lake State Park off Scenic Drive is not being locked at night. Both Supervisor St. Amour and she will be contacting Mr. Klco of the Duck Lake State Park to inquire about the gate procedure and report the happenings on the Lake. Treasurer Beegle

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reported that all the personal property tax from the winter tax has been collected. She is currently preparing the 2013 summer tax bills which will be mailed before July 1.

ADJOURNMENT –

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, ***ADOPTED***, to adjourn the June 17, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 5:52 PM.

*Upon Voice Vote: **7 AYES – motion carried***

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland