

FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2008
MINUTES

PRESENT: Supervisor Gregory R. Boughton, Trustee Norma Binns, Trustee Mary Ann Bard, Trustee Mary Eley, and Trustee Gary Bole.

ALSO PRESENT: Township Attorney Robert Eklund and 7 interested parties.

NOT PRESENT: Clerk Janell Beard and Treasurer Debbie Boyer

BUSINESS:

1. Nestrom/River/Scenic – Bid Opening

Motion by Trustee Bole, second from Trustee Binns, ADOPTED, to accept the bid received from Kathryn Duncan in the amount of \$8,500.00 for parcel “B” part of 61-06-131-400-0026-20 and direct Attorney Eklund to complete the sale transaction.

5 AYES 2 ABSENT

2. PINS Presentation

Undersheriff Daniel A. Stout and Sgt. Shane D. Brown together did a brief presentation of what the PINS program provides. Sgt. Brown provided statistics for January 1, 2008 through September 25, 2008 for Fruitland and Whitehall Townships which indicate that the vast majority of our PINS Officers time is spent between these two (2) townships and not in other areas. Having a PINS Officers presence in the area is definitely a deterrent for crime.

3. Goven Request

Mr. & Mrs. Goven who reside at 4330 Creekside Drive wanted to know about getting that section of Creekside Drive maintained by either the County or Township. Supervisor Boughton explained to Mrs. Goven that the section of Creekside Drive they reside on is an easement not a street, therefore neither the County nor Township will provide maintenance. He suggested she speak with neighbors to see if they can come up with a maintenance agreement and offered her a copy of the Private Streets Maintenance Agreement.

4. McMillan Road End Committee

A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. here with Clifford Bloom. Supervisor Boughton stated there was a request for more chips before the work bee this upcoming Saturday. The chips that were donated by Consumers Energy will be used but are not of good quality as they are full of leaves. The mulch that Supervisor purchased from Barry's is not what the committee wanted, however it will be used. Consensus was to wait and request some fall/winter chips with either no leaves or less leaves from Consumers Energy to spread next spring. Citizen Laura Shields stated she believes a budget needs to be set for this project; she wonders how much the township is willing to

spend. Her worry is that the subcommittee did not seem to balk at an estimate of approximately \$7,200.00 to install fencing.

5. Policies and Procedures Manual

**Motion by Trustee Binns, second from Trustee Bole, ADOPTED,
to adjourn this until December.**

5 AYES 2 ABSENT

6. Recreation Plan

No action taken, the new Parks & Recreation Board will review the document and make recommendation to the new Township Board.

7. Roads Proposal

Place on Monday, October 20, 2008 meeting agenda.

8. Lighthouse Weddings Lease

Supervisor Boughton explained there is a question of what amount if any is refunded due to inclement weather.

Place on November meeting agenda.

9. Gypsy Moths

Supervisor Boughton stated we have received correspondence from Muskegon County Public Works asking if we are interested in paying \$300.00 for field work and mapping for spraying.

Place on Monday, October 20, 2008 meeting agenda.

10. Community Building Grant

Supervisor Boughton explained Chris Soraruf will work along with our maintenance staff to accomplish the work that was approved by this grant.

11. Whitehall Road Sewer Engineering Proposal Request

The proposal written by John Warner and Supervisor Boughton was presented.

Place on Monday, October 20, 2008 meeting agenda.

12. Ordinance Enforcer

The job description is done. Consensus was to hold off on advertising until it is decided what the new township board is going to do about enforcement. Mr. Sam St. Amour will check with Ordinance Enforcer Carrier to see if he will stay on for a short time longer.

13. Audit

Supervisor Boughton stated the audit is complete.

Place on Monday, October 20, 2008 meeting agenda as first item.

14. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Eley, second from Trustee Bard, ADOPTED, to adjourn the October 15, 2008 at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Garvey, Deputy Clerk
Township of Fruitland