

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2013
MINUTES**

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

ALSO PRESENT – (2) two interested parties.

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor St. Amour called the Monday, October 21, 2013 Regular Meeting to order at 5:00 PM. The pledge of allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

AGENDA –

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Deur, **ADOPTED**, to accept the October 21, 2013 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.

Upon Voice Vote: **6 AYES 1 ABSENT – motion carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT - There was no public comment.

MINUTES –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to accept the September 9, 2013 Work Session Minutes and September 16, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Upon Voice Vote: **6 AYES 1 ABSENT – motion carried**

RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS – Trustee Rissi arrived at 5:13 PM.

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Deur, **ADOPTED**, to accept the Receipts of \$37,748.19 and Bank Balance and Certificate of Deposits of \$978,558.32 for the period of September 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013 as reported by Melissa Beegle, Fruitland Township Treasurer and approve General Fund 101 Disbursements in the amount of \$49,524.61 for the period of September 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013 as reported by Karolyn Rillema, Fruitland Township Clerk.

Upon Voice Vote: **6 AYES 1 ABSENT – motion carried**

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS – Supervisor St. Amour stated that the Murray Road paving project has started. Supervisor St. Amour stated that he requested asphalt chips from the Murray Road project to be stock piled at the property north of the township hall on Nestrom Road for potential use at the Ecology Station and/or Lamos Road End. He has requested a quote from White Lake Excavating on the chipping of the wood pile at the Ecology station. Clerk Rillema shared the email received from David Fox requesting the extension of leaving one portable restroom at the White River Light Station until the end of November in which he offered to pay. The board discussed it and voted the following:

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Supervisor St. Amour, **ADOPTED**, to authorize the Clerk to contact Kerkstra Portable Restrooms to leave one

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portable restroom at the WRLS until the end of November which will be offset with payment by David Fox in the amount of \$70.00.

COMMITTEE/BOARD UPDATES –

- White Lake Ambulance Authority – Supervisor St. Amour stated that mediation took place on October 15, 2013 and we are in a 60 day stay period.
- Planning Commission - Trustee Deur reported that there was no October meeting due to lack of agenda items.
- Parks & Recreation - Supervisor St. Amour stated that the proposed listing of projects provided to the Board of Trustees should be reviewed and given to Trustee Hampel prior to November 1 so the Parks & Recreation Commission can get quotes on proposed projects to present as budgeted items for fiscal year 2014-15. Supervisor St. Amour suggested offering up to \$10,000.00 again for their projects. The board was okay with that amount again. Supervisor St. Amour will speak to Chair Shields and request they schedule a meeting before January to authorize their project list and proposed 2014-15 budget due to the fact that they have no scheduled meetings until February.
- Zoning Board of Appeals - Clerk Rillema stated that there were two hearings heard on October 16, 2013 by the Zoning Board of Appeals. Applicant Dave Bedau, on behalf of Glenn & Helen William, 5441 Scenic Drive, #61-06-141-000-0017-00 requested a variance from the *Article VIII General Provisions, Section 3.07, Projections into yards, (B) Porches, terraces, decks, balconies, window awnings, and similar structures which are open on all sides, unenclosed and uncovered (4) on parcels contiguous to Lake Michigan, White Lake and Duck Lake, the highest point of any deck, including railings, shall not exceed 6' above the original grade* for the addition to an existing house and enlarge a deck which was approved as requested unanimously. The second applicant, Charles Deupree, on behalf of Deupree Family Cottage LLC, 6119 Murray Road, #61-06-578-001-0001-11 requested a variance from the *Article Via Lake Michigan Shoreline District, Section 6.04a, Site Development Standards (1) No main building or principal structure, nor the enlargement of any main building or principal structure, shall be hereafter erected unless the following requirements are met and maintained in connection with such building, structure, or enlargement, Article III, General Provisions, Section 3.08, Accessory Buildings and Uses, (E) Detached accessory buildings shall: (1) be located a minimum of ten (10) feet from any building on the lot; (G) (2) Maximum floor areas and heights (as measured from the ground to the highest point of the roof) and setbacks for buildings accessory to single and two-family dwellings: for the addition to an existing accessory building which is being proposed to be demolished and rebuilt not on the same footprint was approved unanimously with the requirement of "As Is" and "As Built" survey being provided to township. Supervisor St. Amour stated that he has an individual interested in serving as an alternate to the ZBA and is in contact with the Chair. Trustee Bard stated that she may have an additional individual interested as well.*

OLD BUSINESS –

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1. Ordinance Enforcement – Supervisor St. Amour stated that 3980 McMillan and White Lake Drive are being monitored, Lorenson Road is on hold, 4554 River Road was ticketed and 3542 Weber Road was not ticketed.
2. Community Building Rental - Supervisor St. Amour has a meeting scheduled tomorrow, October 22, 2013 to discuss the agreement with members of the White Lake Area Alcoholics Group.
3. Land Conservancy - Trustee Deur stated that the grant application for a potential easement was applied for by the Land Conservancy of West Michigan (LCWM) on October 18, 2013 and that the LCWM expects to hear something by early 2014.
4. Township Office - Supervisor St. Amour stated that two vendors looked at the front lobby proposed enclosure but have not responded with a quote to date. He also spoke with K&L Electric about the T12 fluorescent bulb phase out program and was informed that we should wait until March 1, 2014 for the small business program funding to become available from Consumers Energy. Supervisor St. Amour will follow up on the front lobby quotes.
5. Brining - Supervisor St. Amour stated that an invoice has been received in the amount of approximately \$6400.00 for 2013 brining which is up about \$300.00 from last year.
6. Board of Determination - Supervisor St. Amour stated that the Muskegon County Drain Commissioner received a petition for poor drainage and localized flooding on the Mason Drain. A Board of Determination is yet to be scheduled and will be postponed until a new Drain Commissioner is appointed by Muskegon County. When information becomes available, Supervisor St. Amour will inform the Board.

NEW BUSINESS –

1. Scrap Tire Grant -

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION 2013-20
5-TOWNSHIP 2013-14 SCRAP TIRE CLEAN-UP GRANT PROPOSAL**

- WHEREAS,** scrap tires have a blighting influence and pose a public health hazard from mosquito-transmitted diseases, and;
- WHEREAS,** blight negatively affects property values and the aesthetic quality of our recreation areas, and;
- WHEREAS,** the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality has a Scrap Tire Clean-up Grant Program to address the proper disposal and reuse of scrap tires, and;
- WHEREAS,** Fruitland Township desires to cooperate with neighboring communities to access resources provided by the state in the most efficient manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fruitland Township Board supports a grant submittal to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality’s Scrap Tire Clean-up Grant on behalf of Laketon, Muskegon, Dalton, Blue Lake and Fruitland Townships, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is understood that Laketon Township commits to apply for the grant on behalf of Laketon, Dalton, Muskegon, Blue Lake and Fruitland Townships and administer the grant for all five communities.

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Deur, **ADOPTED,** Resolution 2013-20 to apply for the 5-Township 2013-14 Scrap Tire Clean-Up Grant.

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

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

“**NAY**”: None

“**ABSENT**”: None

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Resolution 2013-20, 5-Township 2013-2 Scrap Tire Clean-up Grant Program was **ADOPTED** at the October 21, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland.

Karolyn Rillema
Township Clerk

2. 2nd Qtr Budget Amendments -

Motion by Clerk Rillema , second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to authorize the Clerk to make the 2013-14 2nd Quarter Budget Amendments as presented.

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

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	REASON	AMOUNT	INCREASE/ DECREASE
FUND 101				
101-000-573.000	Liquor Control	Additional revenue	\$ 197.15	increase
101-000-622.001	Zoning-ZBA	Additional revenue	\$ 700.00	increase
101-000-630.000	Burials	Burials	\$ 302.83	increase
101-000-643.000	Cemetery Lot Sales	Gravesites Sold	\$ 1,700.00	increase
101-000-664.000	Interest on Deposits	Additional revenue	\$ 116.67	increase
101-000-671.000	Other Revenues	Ins. Rebates, 2nd ZBA Hearing Paid by Applicant	\$ 306.68	increase
101-000-679.000	Harvest Tree Receipts	Additional revenue	\$ 8,000.00	increase
			\$ 11,323.33	
FUND 101				
101-000-999.000	Transfer to Other Funds	Additional Revenue to Fund 170	\$ 12,000.00	increase
101-101-956.000	Miscellaneous	Flags, Sand Removal Scenic Dr, Advertise	\$ 392.21	increase
101-202-801.000	Contracting	F-65 Filing Fee - auditor filings	\$ 175.00	increase
101-209-801.001	Contracting-Computer Services	BS&A.net support	\$ 24.00	increase
101-209-801.006	Contracting-County Mapping	GIS Mapping Increase	\$ 130.75	increase
101-276-801.000	Contracting	Burials	\$ 3.00	increase
101-526-726.000	Supplies	Punch Cards Purchased	\$ 686.48	increase
101-746-930.000	Repairs & Maintenance	Pier Sand Removal/Parking Lot Drain Unplugged	\$ 839.94	increase
101-804-900.000	Printing & Publishing	ZBA Hearing Advertisements	\$ 237.78	increase
			\$ 14,489.16	
FUND 140 - METRO AUTHORITY				
140-000-575.000	Metro Authority	Additional Funds Received	\$ 664.01	increase
FUND 170 - WRLS PRES & MAINT FUND				
170-000-540.000	Donations	Additional Funds Received (SOM, SPLKA)	\$12,000.00	increase
170-000-588.000	Transfer from Designated Funds	Transfer from Fund 101	\$ 8,000.00	increase
170-000-801.000	Contracting - Painting of WRLS	Dave Cole Decorators, Inc.	\$ 12,000.00	increase

3. Uniform Water Ordinance -

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NO. 2013-19
AMENDING APPENDIX B TO THE FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP WATER ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, Fruitland Township has adopted an Appendix B to its Water Ordinance, which Appendix A establishes the Rates and Charges for the water system within Fruitland Township, and;

WHEREAS, the Township shall adopt amendments to Appendix B in Ordinance 124 in which the Clerk will publish in the White Lake Beacon, and;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Fruitland Township adopts the amendments to Appendix B, to be effective November 26, 2013, to its Water Ordinance.

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, *ADOPTED*, Resolution 2013-19 to adopt amending Appendix B to the Water Ordinance of Fruitland Township.

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

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

“**NAY**”: None

“**ABSENT**”: None

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Resolution 2013-19 was adopted by the Board of Fruitland Township, at a regular meeting held Monday, October 21, 2013 at 5:00 PM.

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, *ADOPTED*, Resolution 2013-19 to adopt amending Appendix B to the Water Ordinance of Fruitland Township and amend Article R4 Water Rate Ordinance, Sections 4.01 & 4.05 to reflect amendments.

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

4. White River Light Station Painting -

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Rissi, *ADOPTED*, to authorize the Clerk to pay Dave Cole Decorators, Inc., in the amount of \$16,000.00 for the painting of the White River Light Station.

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**

5. Board Comments - Clerk Rillema shared an invitation from the White Lake Chamber of Commerce for its Annual Dinner which she will scan and email it to all on Tuesday, October 22, 2013. Treasurer Beegle reported that she was tasked to report if the 10 foot property owned by Mr. Halland on Scenic Drive was on the tax roll and it is. Trustee Hampel inquired if anyone would like to carpool to the MCRC Roadkill dinner Thursday night. She also inquired if anyone was thinking about attending the MTA Conference in January 2014. The schedule of meetings looked interesting and informative. Supervisor St. Amour stated that he would add it to the November agenda for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT –

Motion by Trustee Rissi, second by Trustee Bard, *ADOPTED*, to adjourn the October 21, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 5:45 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland