

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 21, 2016 MINUTES**

**PRESENT** - Trustee Bard, Trustee Hampel, Trustee Cisneros, Supervisor Jeske, Clerk Rillema, Treasurer Beegle, Trustee Holman

**ALSO PRESENT** – (8) eight interested parties.

**AGENDA –**

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to amend the October 17, 2016 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda to add under Committee/Board Updates – White Lake Community Library Representative and under New Business 3.5 Ecology Station – Contractor Use and 3.75 MTA Conference for Newly Elected Officials.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT –**

1. Terry Sabo – Currently serving as our County Commissioner until January when he takes on his newly elected role as our 92<sup>nd</sup> State Representative. Expressed to all board members to contact him if we needed any assistance on Muskegon County items.
2. Jack VanAndel, 4769 Bard Road – not in agreement with the wait of a 15 month cleanup of 4790 Bard Road and did not support the Varney's. Wants the township to get something done with the cleanup of this property as soon as possible.
3. Jim Perrault, 3350 Worden Road – complained of cleanup needed at 3360 Worden Road (Bolema Rental) and would like a follow up of when it will be completed.
4. Chris Campeau, 4753 W. Bard – supported Jack VanAndel's comments and has sought free legal counsel. Wants the township to get it cleaned up sooner than later.
5. Mack McKenzie, 4735 Bard Road – Disappointed that the township has allowed this deplorable mess to continue for so long. Wants the township to get it cleaned up.

**MINUTES –**

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to accept the October 11, 2016 Work Session Minutes and October 17, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

**RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS –**

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Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, to accept the Receipts of \$93,924.73 and Bank Balance and Certificate of Deposits of \$1,463,425.94 for the period of October 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016 as reported by Melissa Beegle, Fruitland Township Treasurer and approve General Fund 101 Disbursements in the amount of \$39,008.12, Fund 120 Disbursements in the amount of \$56,000.00, and Fund 130 Disbursements of \$519.42 for the period of October 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016 as reported by Karolyn Rillema, Fruitland Township Clerk.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS** – Supervisor Jeske stated that Laketon Township will not be applying for the five-township tire grant for 2017 but that the County of Muskegon will be hosting several tire collection events in which Mullally Park is planned to be a host site.

**COMMITTEE/BOARD UPDATES –**

- White Lake Fire Authority – Treasurer Beegle stated that the authority met on November 9. Discussion on adopting a fee schedule to collect additional funds for plan reviews, false alarms, etc., was discussed. A favorable review was received for Chief Holman also. A vacancy on the Authority created by former Supervisor St. Amour was discussed.

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, to appoint Supervisor Jeske to serve as a Fruitland Township Representative on the White Lake Fire Authority Board.

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

- Planning Commission –

Motion by Trustee Hampel, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, to appoint Trustee Holman to serve as the Planning Commission Representative for a term to expire December 31, 2017.

*Upon Voice Vote: **6AYES, 1 ABSTAIN – motion carried***

- Duck Creek Natural Area Committee –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, to appoint Clerk Rillema, Trustee Hampel, Jan Deur, Tom Tissue, Steve Coverly, April Scholtz, Rob Zoellmer and Lynn Knopf to the Duck Creek Natural Area Strategic Planning Advisory Committee.

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

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- Northside Water Policy Board –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to replace Trustee Deur and appoint Treasurer Beegle as the Regular member and appoint Jan Deur as the Alternate on the Water System Policy Board.

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

- White Lake Community Library Representative –

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to re-appoint Sally Schwartz to serve as our representative on the White Lake Community Library board with a term expiring December 31, 2020.

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

**OLD BUSINESS –**

1. 4790 Bard Road – Clerk Rillema stated that the Varney’s who purchased the property had submitted an agreement signed by the neighbors allowing them (Varney’s) to clean up the property in December 2017 once a deed was received at last month’s regular meeting. At the November work session, it was agreed that unless the health, safety and welfare of the neighboring community was affected that the board would allow that agreement to continue. The board agreed that additional action need to be taken and will discuss at the December work session. Attorney Even will be contacted for assistance.

2. White Lake Senior –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to approve a \$1000.00 contribution to the White Lake Senior Center.

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Bard **AYE**, Trustee Cisneros **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Supervisor Jeske **AYE - motion carried***

**NEW BUSINESS –**

1. Muskegon County Recreational Authority –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, Resolution 2016-16 Intent Regarding Recreational Authority.

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Bard **NAY**, Trustee Cisneros **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Supervisor Jeske **AYE - motion carried***

2. Front Desk Printer –

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Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to authorize Treasurer Beegle to purchase a receipt printer in the amount not to exceed \$687.00.

*Roll Call Vote:* Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Trustee Cisneros **AYE**, Trustee Bard **AYE**, Trustee Holman **AYE**, Supervisor Jeske **AYE** - **motion carried**

3. Misze Property –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to ratify the signatures of Clerk Rillema and Supervisor St. Amour dated October 27, 2016 on the Partial Discharge of Property Bond and Pledge of Real Estate for the Misze property sale.

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

3.5 Ecology Station (Non-resident contractor use) – Supervisor Jeske stated that she received a request from a contractor (non-resident) about use of the ecology station for the disposal of leaves for work he is doing in the township. Discussion amongst the board led to the following motion:

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Hampel, **ADOPTED**, to not allow non-resident contractors to use the ecology station and also allow no access to the ecology station other than authorized vendors (Chef, R&M, Consumers, C. Stoddard & Sons and Padnos).

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

3.75 MTA New Officials Training –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to authorize Supervisor Jeske and Trustee Holman to attend the MTA New Officials Training held on January 8, 2016 at a cost of \$149.00 each.

*Roll Call Vote:* Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Bard **AYE**, Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Supervisor Jeske **AYE** - **motion carried**

**BOARD COMMENTS** – Trustee Cisneros stated that it is disappointing that we have several Bolema/Singleton homes that have had enforcement violations. He is pleased that Ordinance Enforcer Holtz has had success cleaning up those violations and will wait to hear the outcome of the complaint of 3360 Worden Road. Treasurer Beegle stated that winter tax bills will be mailed next week, resume's for the secretary positions are coming in and the interview committee will be reviewing them to schedule interviews. Clerk Rillema welcomed both Supervisor Jeske and Trustee Holman to the board.

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Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Bard, ***ADOPTED***, to adjourn the November 21, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 5:53 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk  
Township of Fruitland