

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2020 MINUTES**

PRESENT – Trustee Holman, Trustee Bard, Trustee Cisneros, Supervisor Jeske, Treasurer Beegle, Clerk Rillema

ABSENT – Trustee Hampel

ALSO PRESENT – (8) eight interested parties

AGENDA – Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED** to accept the February 18, 2020 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT –

1. Lori Coleman, 2020 Census Rep – Introduced herself as a Census Recruiter. Stated they are still looking for workers in our area and rate of pay is \$18.00/hr. Census questionnaire will be mailed out mid-March with an on-line application available.
2. Cindi Posthumus, 4640 Sandy Lane – supports senior monies being allocated to the VAC
3. Joe Pawlowski, 4483 White Lake Drive – supports senior monies being allocated to the White Lake Senior Center and VAC
4. Kimon Kotos, 6171 Duck Lake Road – shared Trustee Hampel’s support of senior monies supporting the VAC, White Lake Senior Center and food vouchers
5. Tom Thompson, 5564 S. Shore Drive – doesn’t support the WLFA upcoming millage proposal

SPECIAL GUEST – Deputy David Paseka our new Muskegon County PINS officer introduced himself and shared a brief history of his employment with the Muskegon County Sheriff’s Department.

CONSENT AGENDA –

- January 13, 2020 Work Session and January 22, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
- January 1 – January 31, 2020 Revenues - \$177,681.06, General Fund 101 Expenditures - \$62,858.68, Public Works Fund 130 - \$699.12
- Fourth Quarter 2019-20 Budget Amendments
- Approve budget amendment of \$1,200.00 to Five Star Painting for demo and removal of old ceiling at Community Building
- Set 2020-21 Budget Public Hearing for March 16, 2020 at 5:00 PM

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- Set Special Township Board meeting date of March 30, 2020 at 10:00 AM for the purpose of FY 2020/2021 Budget Adoption
- Planning Commission reappointment with a term ending 3/31/2023: David Roesler and new appointment with a term ending 3/31/2023: John Gloster to replace Leslie Sprott
- Zoning Board of Appeal reappointment with a term ending 3/31/2023: John Warner
- Hiring Maintenance Supervisor Arron Ferris

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

1. Senior Millage Funding Recommendation -

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to allocate \$5,000.00 to the White Lake Senior Center, \$5,000.00 to the White Lake Community Education/VAC and vouchers up to \$9,057.00 with a maximum Family Allowance of \$150.00 through September 30, 2020.

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

2. Community Building Quotes for Electrical Improvements –

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to award the electrical improvement bid to Jozsa Electric in the amount of \$1,275.00 to rewire and box four ceiling lights and ceiling fan at the Community Building.

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

NEW BUSINESS –

1. Resolution 2020-02 – Township Supervisor Salary for FY 2020/2021

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Clerk Rillema, **ADOPTED**, Resolution 2020-02 to approve Supervisor Salary for fiscal year 2020-2021 in the amount \$36,776.47.

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

2. Resolution 2020-03 – Township Clerk Salary for FY 2020-2021

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, Resolution 2020-03 to approve Clerk Salary for fiscal year 2020-2021 in the amount of \$36,776.47.

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

3. Resolution 2020-04 – Township Treasurer Salary for FY 2020-2021

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, Resolution 2020-04 to approve Treasurer Salary for fiscal year 2020-2021 in the amount of \$36,776.47.

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

4. Resolution 2020-05 – Township Trustee Salary for FY 2020-2021

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, Resolution 2020-02 to approve Township Trustee Salary for fiscal year 2020-2021 in the amount of \$4,079.66 each.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT –

1. Tom Thompson, 5564 S. Shore Drive – reiterated his concern for millage of new fire station.
2. Joe Pawlowski, 4483 White Lake Drive – thanked the board for the allocation to the VAC for senior millage monies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS – Trustee Cisneros inquired about dump trucks entering Michillinda Beach Lodge. Clerk Rillema stated that property owner Twardock has sought an EGLE permit for lakeshore restoration and that could possibly be the reason as they are the southerly land border of the Lodge. Clerk Rillema shared the January PINS Report to be

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placed on file. The WLFA 2019 Annual Report was received and will be placed on file. Treasurer Beegle stated that the Muskegon County Treasurers Association will be hosting an “active shooter” seminar at Fruitport Township on March 31 from Noon – 2:00 PM. Advise her if you will be attending to make an RSVP. The White Lake Fire Authority held a special meeting on Friday – February 14 and placed Chief Holman on paid administrative leave to allow for the Personnel Committee to continue an investigative process. Treasurer Beegle announced her resignation from her position of Treasurer and her last day will be April 14, 2020. All wished her well and thanked her for her years of service to Fruitland Township. Supervisor Jeske stated that the hearing on February 13th for 1832 W. River Road was delayed to March 31, 2020 at 10:00 AM because of the amount of time necessary for hearing the case. Supervisor Jeske also shared with the board that the draft letter that the Parks & Recreation Commission to be sent out with the tax assessment notices was discussed with Attorney Even. She made appropriate changes for Chairwoman Svensson to review and received an inappropriate email back.

ADJOURNMENT –

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, ***ADOPTED***, to adjourn the February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 5:49 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland