

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 18, 2018 MINUTES**

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

ALSO PRESENT – (7) seven interested parties

AGENDA – Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED** the June 18, 2018 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT –

- 1) John Snider, County Commissioner District 8 – Shared some concerns he has received regarding the underfunded retirement fund at the county level and the remediation for the Veterans Park on the causeway in North Muskegon which is under water.
- 2) Terry Sabo – State Representative – stated that the legislature ended its session for the summer with the finalization of the budget. He voted no on the budget for two main reasons – Education and State Shared Revenue. He replied to a question by Trustee Cisneros regarding the COBB plant demolition by stating that it was taking longer due to an asbestos removal but that demolition was continuing. He too is disappointed about the Veteran Park’s current condition.

CONSENT AGENDA –

- May 14, 2018 Work Session and May 21, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
- May 1 – May 31, 2018 Revenues - \$38,587.03, General Fund 101 Expenditures - \$55,829.43
- Resolution 2018-11 – Truex Property Purchase

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
*Roll Call Vote: Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Trustee Holman **AYE**, Trustee Cisneros **AYE**, Trustee Bard **AYE**, Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Trustee Hampel **AYE**, Supervisor Jeske **AYE** – motion carried*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- 1) Nestrom Road Park Ordinance –

Motion by Trustee Cisneros, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to approve as amended Regulatory Ordinance Article R21 – Nestrom Road Park Ordinance amendments to Section

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R21.05 Prohibited Activities by adding to b. – or designated areas and to l. -/fish shanty's. This will be sent back to Parks & Recreation for their review.

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

NEW BUSINESS –

1) Cemetery – Bids for Tree Removal

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to accept the bid from Dale's Tree Service in the amount of \$1,675.00 to remove and clean up the fallen Maple Tree and two additional maple trees at the cemetery.

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

Supervisor Jeske will call Dale's to gain further explanation on their quote and will inform the Board if it is different than our interpretation.

2) Offer of Employment for Part-time Maintenance Position

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to hire Jeffrey "Steve" Brock for the part-time maintenance position at a rate of \$12.00 an hour with a start date of June 25, 2018 and increase Ecology Station Attendant John Sorenson's rate of pay to \$12.00 an hour to be in alignment with other staff.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT –

- 1) Bob Murray, 5582 Duck Lake Road – Suggested that future quotes for bids have spec sheets so each contractor/vendor is bidding apples to apples.
- 2) Dan Sutherland, 2983 N. Scenic – requested that the stairway at McMillan Road End be inspected for any loose fasteners or repairs needed. He also stated that the invasive species of Bittersweet is quite prevalent and may need to be abated at the road end as it is spreading.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS – Clerk Rillema received the PINS Stats for May and will place on file. There were 10 property checks, 23 calls for service, 21 traffic stops, 13 reports and 0 traffic crashes. Trustee Bard stated that while reviewing invoices, she noticed the

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expense of legal fees from the Parks & Recreation Commission. Clerk Rillema has emailed Chair Mathiot about these expenses and has requested that a budget amendment be made to allocate those to Department 691 (Parks & Recreation Commission). Supervisor Jeske stated that she has been in communication with Attorney Chris Berry regarding the White Lake Ambulance Authority appeal that was filed on June 1, 2018. The township has been invoiced approximately \$2900.00 for this appeal. Supervisor Jeske stated that Attorney Berry has tried to negotiate a lower rate but has been unsuccessful reaching Attorney Hughes of the WLAA. The following motion was taken.

Motion by Clerk Rillema, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to withdraw from the White Lake Ambulance Authority appeal.

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

Treasurer Beegle stated that summer tax bills will be sent at the end of the month. She also stated that the Cargo trailer was placed on Craig's List. Two bids have been received. Clerk Rillema stated that they were in the amount of \$1,200.00 and 1,500.00.

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, to accept the bid of \$1,500.00 for the sale of the Cargo Trailer to be paid in cash or cashier's check from Deb Hanson.

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

ADJOURNMENT –

Motion by Trustee Cisneros, second by Trustee Hampel, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the June 18, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 5:54 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland