

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 MINUTES**

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

ALSO PRESENT – Six (6) interested parties

AGENDA – Motion by Trustee Bard , second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to amend the September 18, 2017 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda by adding under New Business – Kruse FOIA Appeal Request.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT –

- 1) County Commissioner Jon Snider, 450 Channel Road – informed the Board of the upcoming November 7, 2017 election for a millage proposal to help provide child welfare care.
- 2) Greg Kruse, 5617 S. Shore Drive, 1973 – was pleased to see that his FOIA appeal was on this agenda and that he has filed a federal lawsuit against Fruitland Township.
- 3) Carlet Mitenbuler, 4623 Nestrom Road – hoped that all board members were able to read Dr. Robert’s letter regarding the disc golf course and hoped that all township residents would be informed of such letter.
- 4) Lynn Knopf, 4328 Mystic Lane – also hoped that board members received the letter prepared by Dr. Roberts on the disc golf course. She stated that a Grand Valley State University Student will be conducting her senior thesis on the effects of the disc golf course. Ms. Knopf stated that Mark Williamson was elected, quit and now being re-appointed to the Parks & Recreation Commission was a concern due to him benefiting monetarily with the creation of the disc golf course along with Commissioner Barrett and that both should recuse themselves from any voting on such.

CONSENT AGENDA –

- August 14, 2017 Work Session and August 21, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes
- August 1 – August 31, 2017 Revenues - \$113,574.05, General Fund 101 Expenditures - \$78,611.01 and Fund 120 - \$130,286.52
- Appointment of Mark Williamson to Parks & Recreation Board

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- 1) Land Conservancy of West Michigan Proposed Duck Creek Natural Area Park & Conservation Easement –

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to direct Township Clerk Karolyn Rillema to authorize the Land Conservancy of West Michigan to move forward with the appraisal process of the township's 300 acre property on Duck Lake Road for consideration of a conservation easement to protect the natural stream corridors within that property.

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

NEW BUSINESS –

1. Parks & Recreation Budget Amendments –
 - Addition of Special Meeting – 101691-705.001
 - Create Specialty Fund (Disc Golf Course Proceeds & Misc. Revenue) by transferring funds from account #101-000-669.000 to newly created specialty fund
 - Transfer from 101-691-977.000 \$862.00 to Specialty Fund for future pickle ball court painting

Motion by Trustee Hampel, second by Trustee Cisneros, **ADOPTED**, to approve the Parks & Recreation Budget Amendments as presented.

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

2. IT Right Quote – Network Security Firewall –

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to approve the quote from IT Right for Network Security Firewall protection.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Bard **NAY**, Trustee Holman **AYE**, Treasurer Beegle **AYE**, Trustee Hampel **NAY**, Trustee Cisneros **NAY**,

Clerk Rillema **AYE**, Supervisor Jeske **AYE** – **motion carried**

3. Rescind 2016 Intergovernmental Contracts with Muskegon Charter Township for Electrical and Mechanical Code Services.

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to rescind the Intergovernmental Contracts with Muskegon Charter Township for Electrical and Mechanical Code Services.

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

4. Kruse FOIA Appeal Request –

Motion by Trustee Cisneros, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to deny Mr. Kruse of his FOIA APPEAL dated September 15, 2017 stating that Coordinator Ignoring Request as Coordinator Rillema responded to Mr. Kruse's FOIA identical requests dated September 12 & 13, 2017 stating that he could inspect the civil infraction file on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 10:00 AM.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS – Supervisor Jeske stated that Greg Kruse has filed a lawsuit in Federal Court against the township and various board/staff members. Clerk Rillema received the Muskegon County Sheriff's August PINS 2017 stats and will place on file. Treasurer Beegle stated that the White Lake Fire Authority held its public hearing on the budget and a copy is on file for review. She also stated that as of last Thursday's tax collection without penalty she was at 95% collected. Discussion with audience member Lynn Knopf regarding the disc golf course report findings by Dr. Roberts were discussed with Trustee's Cisneros & Holman.

ADJOURNMENT –

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the September 18, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 5:40 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland