

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION
MARCH 9, 2020 MINUTES**

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

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Kevin Even and (4) four interested parties

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Jeske called the March 9, 2020 Work Session of the Township of Fruitland Board to order at 10:00 AM at the township hall and led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA: Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle,
ADOPTED to accept the March 9, 2020 work session.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES - motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Jessica Kidder, 1547 Duck Lake Road – introduced herself as a candidate for the Treasurer’s position.
2. Cindy Posthumos, 4640 Sandy Lane – inquired about any updates for Senior Millage Monies for use of the Viking Athletic Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: Supervisor Jeske reminded the board of the special budget adoption meeting scheduled for Monday – March 30th at 10:00 am.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. FY 2020/21 Budget Update – Supervisor Jeske stated the public hearing has been noticed for Monday, March 16, 2020 at 5:00 PM.
2. Special meeting date for Treasurer Interviews – March 19, 2020 @ 10:00 AM – Supervisor Jeske asked the board if March 19th at 10:00 AM would work for a special meeting to interview candidates for the Treasurer position.
3. Parks Survey Approval – Attorney Even furnished pricing for the surveys of the properties (Marcus Park, Nestrom Park and Duck Lake Road) to be dedicated to the Parks & Recreation Commission. The quotes for such have been added to the 2020-21 proposed budget.
4. Lakewood Lots – Attorney Even has spoken to a realtor on the Lakewood Lots known as Parcel A which is approximately eleven acres. The realtor recommends a fair market price of between \$29,900.00 - \$39,900.00 or a quick sale price of \$24,900.00 due to the location being on a busy road and surrounding home values. Consensus of the board approved such pricing. Attorney Even also stated that the State of Michigan is interested in the Lakewood parcels off Lakewood that is adjacent to a parcel currently owned by them for a potential trailhead for the Fred Meijer Berry Junction Rail Trail (FMBJRT). A meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, March 17th to discuss with the Friends of the FMBJRT and a representative from the State of Michigan for a potential donation of these parcels. Consensus of the board approved the donation of property.

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NEW BUSINESS –

1. PINS Agreement with Muskegon County Sheriff's Office – Supervisor Jeske shared the updated pricing for the PINS program which has been updated in the proposed budget.
2. Brining Contract – Clerk Rillema stated that D&B Brine has quoted the same pricing of \$360.00 per mile for brining. Supervisor Jeske received the MCRC 2020 Local Road Brine Opt In or Opt Out for brining. Consensus of the board was to continue with D&B Brine and Opt Out of the MCRC brining program.
3. Muskegon County Road Commission Contract – Supervisor Jeske received the MCRC Local Road Project Contract for 2020-21 slated road projects at an estimate of \$213,000.00 for Fruitland Township share which is 50%. A motion will be prepared for the Monday regular meeting. Trustee Hampel asked that a 3-foot bike path be considered on the Bard Road project. Supervisor Jeske will reach out to the MCRC for the inquiry.
4. Batka's Cleaning Service Contract –Supervisor Jeske received the updated Batka's Cleaning Contract for 2020-21 which shows a \$5.00 increase per cleaning of the township hall.
5. 4th Quarter Budget Amendments – Clerk Rillema prepared the February budget amendments.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION: Clerk Rillema shared her concerns regarding actions and/or comments by the Parks & Recreation Commissioners at their last meeting. An email response by Attorney Even which was initiated by a member of the Parks & Recreation Commission was discussed. She also reminded all that the Presidential Primary Election is Tuesday-March 10. Clerk Rillema also received the 2019 Annual Report for the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission which she will place on file. Trustee Hampel is organizing an Earth Day guided hike on township properties by the Fruitland Township Friends Trail group. Treasurer Beegle stated that uncollected tax collections have been turned over to the County of Muskegon. Board of Review meets this afternoon/evening and Wednesday morning/afternoon. Trustee Holman gave an update of the Planning Commissions actions and requested that the board review the Master Plan which will be updated this year by the Commission. Trustee Cisneros inquired about the Verizon Wireless Tower's interaction with other carriers.

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the March 9, 2020 Work Session at 11:05 AM.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES - motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland