

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION
APRIL 10, 2017 MINUTES**

PRESENT: Trustee Hampel, Trustee Bard, Treasurer Beegle, Trustee Cisneros, Clerk Rillema, Supervisor Jeske, Trustee Holman – arrived at 10:07 AM.

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Even and (1) one interested party.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Jeske called the Monday, April 10, 2017 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** the April 10, 2017 work session agenda.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1) Lynn Knopf – Parks & Recreation Commissioner – Agrees that cross dialogue between both P&R Commission & Board of Trustees is a must to ensure success of future projects. Asked the board to weigh in on the priority of new playground equipment grant funding, disposal of current playground equipment and funding of upgrading the tennis courts at Nestrom Park. Commissioner Knopf asked Attorney Even if volunteers should sign a waiver when volunteering. Attorney Even stated it is a good practice to do so. He will forward a copy to her.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS:

Trustee Hampel encouraged the Board of Trustees to ask friends and neighbors to attend the public meeting on the Duck Creek Natural Area next Wednesday – April 19th. Trustee Cisneros stated that door to door communication has been occurring on supporting the upcoming millage on the aquatic center. Trustee Holman stated that the Planning Commission felt that no action is necessary for the medical marijuana legislation in place.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Nestrom Road Paving Project – Treasurer Beegle stated that a public hearing is scheduled for Monday's regular meeting – April 17th, to hear objections on the assessment roll and allocated costs. The MCRC is ready to start the project once the okay is given. Attorney Even stated that if an objection is heard at the public hearing on Monday, to wait 30 days for any court proceedings prior to starting the project.
2. Ecology Station Committee Report – Trustee Cisneros stated that the committee met with Transfer Attendant Sorenson to gain his input on improving the flow at the ecology station. Discussion of discontinuing the oil recycle was mentioned. A-1 Excavating will be meeting with members of the committee at the ecology station to make recommendations of moving recycle bins, pushing back leaf and brush disposal piles to

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ease congestion and improve flow of vehicles in those areas. At this time no additional entry/exit will be sought. Trustee Holman will work with Transfer Attendant Sorenson on applying for burn permits of the brush pile and assist on those days when burning will occur. It was suggested that a card be issued to non-homestead residents to identify themselves when using the ecology station.

3. Duck Creek Natural Area Steering Committee Update – Clerk Rillema shared a brief update of the progress of the steering committee. The first of two public meetings is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19th from 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM. This will be an opportunity for the public to hear the initial proposal for the approximate 308 acres, reveal the survey results and provide a question/answer period of the steering committee, the National Parks Service and members of the Board of Trustees. She encouraged all to attend.
4. Closed Session – White Lake Ambulance Authority/Northside Water Policy Litigation – Discuss pending litigation subject to attorney client privilege.

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation on the White Lake Ambulance Authority and Northside Water Policy subject to attorney-client privilege at 10:30 AM.

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

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to come out of closed session at 10:50 AM.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Muskegon County Road Commission – Supervisor Jeske stated she received the applications from the MCRC which are required each year for the Nestrom Road & Scenic Road Ends to place a trash barrel at each and a porta-jon at the Scenic Drive Road End.
2. Resolution 2017-12 – MCRC Performance & Indemnification – Supervisor Jeske received an application and Resolution required by the MCRC due to our opting out of the MCRC brine program and requests D&B Brine to be our vendor of choice.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:

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Supervisor Jeske stated that Press's LLC will begin the demolition and cleanup of 4790 Bard today. They applied and received their demolition permit last week. ASAP Towing was contacted last week for the removal of the vehicles on site. Attorney Even stated that a letter be sent to Mr. White informing him of the vehicles towed to the impound. Supervisor Jeske stated that a resident will be attending our regular meeting in support of switching ambulance coverage back to the White Lake Ambulance Authority. Clerk Rillema stated that she is in receipt of the signed Disc Golf Course agreement between the Whitehall Disc Golf Association and the Parks & Recreation Commission for constructing the course at Nestrom Park.

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the April 10, 2017 work session at 11:06 AM. .

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland