

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Even and (0) zero interested parties.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Jeske called the Monday, July 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 Clerk Rillema, **ADOPTED** the July 10, 2017 work session agenda.
Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES - motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: There were no announcements or communications.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Maintenance Supervisor – Appointment of Interview Committee – Supervisor Jeske stated that many applications have been received for the position of Maintenance Supervisor. She would like to get the interviews started soon as our summer seasonal help will be finished in the next week or two. She suggested that Trustee Cisneros, Clerk Rillema, City of Whitehall's Public Works Director Brian Armstrong and herself serve on the interview committee. Two other trustees expressed their interest as well. Supervisor Jeske appointed Trustee Hampel, Trustee Bard, Trustee Cisneros and Brian Armstrong for the first round and Supervisor Jeske, Treasurer Beegle and Clerk Rillema will do the second interview.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Cemetery Tree Bids Review – Supervisor Jeske shared the fall 2016 risk assessment survey which showed 3-5 dead standing trees on the cemetery property. She received three quotes from \$1000.00 - \$15000.00. The quote of \$1000.00 does not specify if the stumps would be ground, chip brushed and hauled away. Supervisor Jeske will call to clarify prior to the Monday Regular meeting.
2. Solid Waste RFP Quotes Review – Supervisor Jeske solicited request for proposal (RFP) for a solid waste hauler due to our current vendor stating that he would be increasing his fees. Four quotes were received ranging from \$165.00 - \$180.00 for a 40 yard open top and \$185.00 - \$200.00 for a compactor tub. A motion will be prepared to accept a solid waste hauler at the Monday Regular meeting.

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3. 1st Quarter Budget Amendments – Clerk Rillema prepared the first quarter budget amendments necessary for adoption. A motion will be prepared for the Monday Regular meeting.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION: Clerk Rillema reported that the Ecology Station gate received damage. She has requested AAA Fence to quote the cost of repair. Clerk Rillema updated the board on the Duck Creek Natural Area June public open house and the next steps once the committee meets to review comments and suggestions of the public input. SPLKA has received grant monies towards the replacement of the metal storm windows with a storm window/screen combination which has been approved by SHPO for historic structures. They are requesting our support for the balance of \$2800.00. Other improvements being sought are to install HVAC systems for both the work shed and WRLS to help with better preservation of the artifacts. Clerk Rillema and Treasurer Beegle attended depositions given by Attorney Even on behalf of Fruitland Township on the White Lake Ambulance Authority lawsuit. Additional depositions will be taken at the end of July. Trustee Bard inquired about the status of the Senior Millage. Supervisor Jeske stated that County Commissioner John Snider would be a good resource to ask about the millage. Supervisor Jeske reported that Zoning Administrator Val Jensen has voiced his potential resignation. Attorney Even and Supervisor Jeske met with him last Friday to speak about his responsibilities and ways to assist him on zoning issues.

Motion by Treasurer Beegle, second by Trustee Bard, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the July 10, 2017 work session at 10:38 AM. .

*Upon Voice Vote: **YAYES - motion carried***

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland