

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD
WORK SESSION
JANUARY 13, 2014
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Trustee Hampel, Trustee Bard, Trustee Deur, Treasurer Beegle, Clerk Rillema,
Supervisor St. Amour

ABSENT: Trustee Rissi (excused)

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

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor St. Amour called the Monday, January 13, 2014 Work Session of the Township of Fruitland Board to order at 10:00 AM at the township hall.

AGENDA: Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to accept the January 13, 2014 Work Session Agenda.
*Upon Voice Vote: **6 AYES 1 ABSENT - motion carried***

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance Enforcement – Supervisor St. Amour received anonymous "dangerous building" complaints today for two parcels in the township. He will task Building Inspector Siegel to investigate. Due to the amount of snow coverage, follow ups on 3980 McMillan Road, 4554 River Road, 5096 Orshal Road, 2131 Bard Road and 2157 Bard Road have been postponed until snow melts.
2. White Lake Ambulance Authority Update - Attorney Even stated that he spoke to the mediator and one jurisdiction stills needs to file their paperwork so order can be entered in the judicial system. Supervisor St. Amour stated that at the upcoming meeting of the WLAA the audit ending June 30, 2013 will be discussed. He requested that any board member that can be present ask their audit questions during public comment.
3. Community Building License Agreement - Supervisor St. Amour stated that he needs to reschedule the meeting from last month.
4. Marcus Dune Update - Attorney Even stated that he attended the Court of Appeals case on January 7, 2014. He was the only representative of all parties present. He expects a written opinion within the next five weeks.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 3rd Quarter 2013-14 Budget Amendments - Clerk Rillema prepared the listing of amendments necessary for 3rd quarter 2013-14. A motion will be prepared for the Tuesday Regular meeting.

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2. MCRC Road Plan - Supervisor St. Amour shared the listing of proposed projects for the next 3 years. Supervisor St. Amour stated that the MCRC's 60/40 split may be in jeopardy due to the heavy winter we are experiencing. The board requested MCRC Managing Director Hulka attend our February work session to discuss the proposed project list.
3. Michigan Adventure Waste Water/Parking Lot - Supervisor St. Amour shared with the board the conversations taking place regarding the waste water and parking lot runoff amongst various groups. The Muskegon Conservation District has approached Michigan Adventure to determine alternative parking lot storm water treatment methods that mitigate temperatures to increase in Duck Creek. Dalton Township along with the County of Muskegon and Fruitland Township have approached Michigan Adventure to explore the possibility of connecting into the Waste Water system for their sewer service. More to come.
4. Board of Determination - Supervisor St. Amour stated that a Board of Determination is scheduled for the Mason Drain on Wednesday, January 15, 2013 at 6:30 PM at the township hall. Attorney Even will attend the meeting.
5. MiSpot - Trustee Deur stated that a service launch is being held for MiSpot at the Ramada Inn Business Center in Whitehall on Thursday, January 23, 2014 for highspeed wireless internet service to Muskegon County. Verizon Wireless has also contacted the township regarding township owned property near River & Nestrom Road for a possible tower. Zoning at this time would not allow for a tower in this area but may be cause for review of that zoning district.
6. 2014-15 Budget Discussion - Supervisor St. Amour briefed the board on the 2014-15 proposed budget. He stated that under revenues: ecology revenues have been increased and no forestry funding is expected in this fiscal period. Under appropriations: a 2% wage increase for staff, insurance premiums are expected to be increased after the first 8 months by 35% and attorney counsel contracting has been lowered due to court cases ending in 2013-14. Any suggestions or comments should be directed to him on the budget.
7. Board of Comments - Clerk Rillema stated that a February 25, 2014 Special Election will be held for the MAISD which is a reimbursable election. She also reminded the board that the Parks & Recreation Commission has requested our comments on the "action plan" in their Master Plan which is being reviewed and updated at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Bard, second by Treasurer Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the Monday, January 13, 2014 Work Session of the Township of Fruitland at 11:40 AM .

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Karolyn Rillema, Clerk
Township of Fruitland