

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2022 MINUTES**

PRESENT – Trustee Holman, Supervisor Marcinkowski, Trustee Graham, Trustee Lundell, Trustee Jeske, Treasurer Pachman

ABSENT – Clerk Fagan

ALSO PRESENT – (2) Two interested parties

CALL TO ORDER - Supervisor Marcinkowski called the January 10, 2022 Work Session Meeting to order at 10:00 AM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA - Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to accept the January 10, 2022 Work Session Township Board Meeting Agenda.
Upon Voice Vote: 6 AYES – motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS –

- a. **Email from Rob Ribbens** – Gypsy Moth Caterpillar egg mass counts will be completed by the end of January. Will communicate to residents.
- b. **Parks and Recreation meeting agenda** – Commissioner Huch shared that the commission has been focusing on their budget and projects for the upcoming year.
- c. **Water System Policy Board** – Supervisor Marcinkowski shared an update on the Channel Crossing Project and the agenda and upcoming meeting dates.
- d. **Park and Recreation Commission** – Their Special Meeting and Public Hearing is scheduled for January 12, 2022 at 6PM regarding the Master Plan. Up to 3 Board Members could attend the meeting. Supervisor Marcinkowski has made sure all board members and Parks and Recreation commission members have received the rough draft.
- e. **Next CAC meeting – January 19th at 1pm** – Food Alliance, GMED, planning commission members (no quorum) and MSU will be in attendance to discuss whether any township properties could be used for other purposes. Their regular meeting will then be on the 19th at 7pm at TWP hall.
- f. **Email and letter from Alice Gambel re: Senior Millage** – The Board discussed how 2022 spending should be spent. The Board discussed adding more to the vouchers and would like a decision to be made within the next few months.
- g. **Meetings and phone calls with Road Commission, Water Resources Commissioner, engineers, architects on projects** – Supervisor Marcinkowski has been gathering resources and having conversations to bring suggestions to our representatives to

be evaluated for possible state funding. One project of possible interest would be a Resource Recovery Center that could be used for region emergencies and a polling station. Shoulders on Scenic Rd and/or South Shore Drive and road ends are also areas of interest.

- h. White River Light Station** – The Board received an update from SPLKA stating that the contractor that worked on the window project had decided to donate back a portion of their fee, so no additional funding is needed at this time.
- i. Email to Attorney and Ordinance Enforcer** – Ian Roy property has not been cleaned up as agreed so a citation will likely be issued. Supervisor Marcinkowski has received a few complaints from neighbors.
- j. Closing of Twp Hall due to weather** – Supervisor Marcinkowski made the choice to close on 1/5 at 1pm due to weather; 2-hour delay opening on 1/6 and closure at 1pm due to weather.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- a. Regulatory Ordinance Article R 8** – Fruitland Township Property Ordinance – need to add language to cover “No Trapping”. This was discussed and approved at the December meeting. Supervisor Marcinkowski will check in with Clerk Fagan to see what still needs to be done.
- b. Rosene update** – Supervisor Marcinkowski shared an update that the motion has been filed for the Judge to review the documents being requested by Mr. Rosene.
- c. Tanis update** – There is a virtual hearing on the January 18th regarding continuous citations.
- d. Michillinda Rd project**- The Muskegon County Road Commission placed millings on Michillinda road without permission from either Dalton or Fruitland townships. They are now requesting that we approve the cost to have the millings mixed in with a gravel mixture. If nothing is done the millings will harden over time and leave the road in a state that cannot be graded. The new quote for the gravel/milling mixture is approximately \$14,383.50. The Board asked Supervisor Marcinkowski to ask if there is any room for negotiation in the cost since we did not request the millings to be placed.
- e. Scenic Drive Road end** – Power Pedestal RFQ – Supervisor Marcinkowski advertised on Fruitland Informed and ENews, he received 2 quotes from Newkirk and Korthase. This pedestal is not necessary unless we want to provide power for security cameras or for use by residents in case of emergency. The Board believes this is still a good idea as we continue to improve the area.
- f. Senior Millage selections** – The Board will bring suggestions to the February work session.
- g. Well for township hall** – Supervisor Marcinkowski is putting together scope of work and RFQ for publication. This project will likely come from ARPA funds.

- h. Generator for township hall** – Supervisor Marcinkowski is also putting together scope of work and RFQ for publication and would like to suggest this for ARPA funding as well.
- i. Invocation** – The Board discussed whether an amendment should be made to the Policies and Procedures manual regarding adding an invocation to the format of the agenda. A vote can be taken at the next regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS –

- a. RESOLUTION 2022-01 – To Adopt the 2022 Parks and Recreation Master Plan** – The Parks and Recreation Commission will vote on their Master Plan at their next meeting, which will occur before the regular meeting on the 18th.
- b. Lamos Rd end – 33 feet – end of Partridge Drain** – Supervisor Marcinkowski shared an improvement plan for Partridge Drain drawn up by Dave Schultz in 2014. This plan would allow for public use. The drain currently goes onto a neighboring property and improvements would fix that as well. The current estimate for this project, per Brenda Moore is approximately \$275,000. This may be able to be done with “one time appropriation” funding through the project money our representatives are pursuing.
- c. Meeting with Road Commission on Fruitland Road projects for 2022 – 2024** – Supervisor Marcinkowski shared the attached road project suggestions from the Muskegon County Road Commission as well as his own suggestions. The MCRC will provide quotes for Supervisor Marcinkowski suggestions. Supervisor Marcinkowski will ask for some additional information, including what would be necessary for Todd Road including costs, phases, funding from MCRC and possibly the Drain Commission.
- d. Planning Commission** – Val Jensen recommended technical change to Article III Section 3.18 C.11 Filling of Land to add clarification and add the word “cubic” to the wording.
- e. Friends of Fruitland Township Trails – 10-year plan** – Trustee Lundell provided a 10-year-plan put together by the Friends of Fruitland Trails. Supervisor Marcinkowski reminded the Board that the FTTT can use the 10-year-plan as a wish list of sorts but any projects they want to complete or grants they want to apply for must be approved by the Fruitland Township Board.
- f. John at the ecology station has received several requests from non-residents to use our ecology station** – The Board discussed that allowing non-residents would just cause more issues with our ecology station and possibly be unfair to our residents.
- g. RFP for professional services** – Supervisor Marcinkowski shared that there are companies that can be used to write up proposals for projects that we may not be familiar with or do not have the capability to write. This could be an option in future years if necessary.
- h. ARPA funds administrator** – Supervisor Marcinkowski presented a proposal from GMED for them to help with the ARPA administration. This would take some of responsibilities off the Township Board in terms of the legal requirements and

reporting requirements as well as allow for fair administration of any grants that are decided on. The current projects listed on the proposal are still negotiable and can be voted on and changed. Supervisor Marcinkowski will try to schedule a time for GMED to come in and discuss the proposal.

- i. **Food Safety program** – MSU Extension will be offering a free “Food Safety” program for residents at the township hall in February, March and April. This will be free, and just needs to be advertised.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were none.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION – Supervisor Marcinkowski stated he had a good experience using Ivermectin, Quercetin and Hydroxychloroquine and the treatments did work for him.

Supervisor Marcinkowski recently spoke with the owners of north side of the White Lake Dr road end and they are no longer interested in the land swap they previously proposed. He will follow up with them to see if there are other options they want to consider. A “For Sale” sign has also been noted on the south side of the road end.

Trustee Holman requested an update about the ambulance service. The board spoke about the community action committee that was discussed at the December meeting and potentially putting the question on the ballot for the August election.

Trustee Holman asked about the results from the Energy Efficiency program for the Township Hall. Supervisor Marcinkowski said the gentleman mentioned a few things between the hall, the community center and the light station. The lights are updated and the furnaces are high efficiency. Supervisor Marcinkowski will share the email with the Board.

Trustee Graham and Trustee Holman discussed a few addresses that need ordinance violation updates. Supervisor Marcinkowski should have those updates from Toby for the Board for next week. 3321 Scenic Drive is still waiting on an update from the mortgage company regarding what action they are going to take.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the November 8, 2021 Work Session of the Township of Fruitland at 12:14 PM.

Upon Voice Vote: **6AYES – motion carried**

Respectfully Submitted,

FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP JANUARY 10, 2022 WORK SESSION MINUTES

Breann Fagan, Clerk
Township of Fruitland