

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 21, 2023 MINUTES**

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

**ALSO PRESENT** – (11) Eleven interested parties

**CALL TO ORDER** – Supervisor Marcinkowski called the August 21, 2023 Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the pledge of allegiance.

**AGENDA** - Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Treasurer Pachman, **ADOPTED**, to accept the amended August 21, 2023 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.  
*Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried*

**PUBLIC COMMENT** –

Robert Fles, 2543 Scenic Dr – Muskegon Chronicle advertisements are being left on the ground if a person doesn't have a Chronicle box. Has tried to unsubscribe but still receives notices. Asked if the Board can help.

**PRESENTATIONS** –

- a. **Tom Nielsen, Duck Lake Dune Cemetery** - Thanked the Board for proactive work with the cemetery. The family would like to see additional signage to delineate the cemetery from state park property and signage, a gate, and/or a barrier around the cemetery to deter walkers.
- b. **Matt Biolette, Ben Kladder, Trevor Boer – F&V EOR – Scenic Drive Safe Street Initiative** – Presented the current documents and plans for the Scenic Drive Safe Street Initiative.

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to suspend from Robert's Rules to discuss the project.  
*Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried*

Conversation and questions continued between Board Members, the residents in attendance, and Ben and Trevor. A resident noted a gas line lies along the east side of Scenic drive, likely within this path. Ben confirmed that this would be considered during planning and utility companies would be consulted.

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to return to Robert's Rules.

*Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried*

- c. **Mike Holman – Planning Commission – 8/3 meeting update** - Michigan's Adventure is requesting to add a board walk across the pond. There will be a meeting 8/31/23 to discuss.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS –**

- a. **July PINS report** – Will be placed on file
- b. **July Zoning Report** – Will be placed on file
- c. **July Ordinance Report** – Will be placed on file
- d. **Small Subdivision roads – letter to residents with information from MCRC**

Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to approve the letter to be sent to residents.

*Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried*

- e. **Office furnishings – email** – Grand River Office rep will be out again on 8/30 to go over requested changes.
- f. **Library Lockers – power and ethernet week of 8/21** – Wirtz Electric will be finishing the power and ethernet this week.
- g. **Mobile Food business Ordinance – Final Draft** – Attorney will provide in time for September work session
- h. **MCD checked Japanese Knotwood at WRLS beach area on 8/17** – Supervisor Marcinkowski provided a quote for \$214.50 that he has approved.
- i. **MCD – Nestrom Park Hemlocks** – Treatment has been completed.

**CONSENT AGENDA –**

- a. **July 2023 Treasurer reports; Revenues: (101) General Fund \$57,105.45; Expenditures: (101) General Fund \$86,651.82; (130) Public Works Fund Revenue \$650.00; (140) Metro Fund Expenditures \$1,065.87**
- b. **July 2023 Clerk reports – Check disbursements and ARPA Funds**
- c. **Minutes – July 10, 2023 Work Session; July 17, 2023 Regular Board Meeting; July 19, 2023 Special Meeting Public Hearing; July 27, 2023 Special Meeting**

Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

*Roll Call Vote: Trustee Graham AYE, Clerk Fagan AYE, Trustee Lundell AYE, Treasurer Pachman AYE, Trustee Holman AYE, Supervisor Marcinkowski AYE, Trustee Jeske AYE – motion carried*

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS –**

- a. **Scenic Drive Road End – scope of work and RFQ** – Have not received any responses from Beacon ad – Will be posting ad on MLive and Builders Exchange.
- b. **Planning Commission Open Position – Brian Butler** – Has been confirmed by Planning Commission Chair and Supervisor Marcinkowski

**NEW BUSINESS –**

- a. **Township survey** – The Board discussed suggestions and whether the Board would support this type of survey being sent to residents.
- b. **Tree removal quotes** – Supervisor Marcinkowski will provide additional quotes during the September work session.
- c. **VAC Contract** –  
Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Holman, **ADOPTED**, to approve the new Contract Between Fruitland Township and Viking Athletic and Activity Complex for Senior Services.  
*Roll Call Vote:* Trustee Graham **AYE**, Clerk Fagan **AYE**, Trustee Lundell **AYE**, Treasurer Pachman **AYE**, Trustee Holman **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **AYE**, Trustee Jeske **AYE** – **motion carried**
- d. **Dump Trailer** – Supervisor Marcinkowski provided three quotes and the board will discuss during September meetings.
- e. **Radar Sign** – Supervisor Marcinkowski provided information about radar speed signs for the Board to consider to implement within the township. He asked the Board to consider the signs and where they should be located.
- f. **Scenic Drive Boat Launch** – A resident helped provide an estimate for improvements at the Scenic Drive Boat Launch to help with the rocks and sand that are pushed onto the ramp/dock. Trustee Lundell questioned how much money is spent to maintain that area yearly. Trustee Graham questioned whether this would affect the neighboring properties and docks.

**PUBLIC COMMENT –**

Judy Marcinkowski, 3767 Jay Rd – Participates in the VAC and does an exercise/work out class through iMove therapies. There was an additional charge of \$10 to participate in the class.

**BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION** – Trustee Lundell has been working with the Parks Commission for their Trunk or Treat event, they will be considering creating a “spooky” logo to put on bags and promotional items. It will be presented at a future meeting. Trustee Lundell also questioned what our Board can do to help Mr. Serkaian with his issue about the WLFA requiring fire suppression unit for new builds in the Sheltering Way neighborhood. Supervisor Marcinkowski let the Board know that there should be a final copy of the WLFA Articles of Incorporation for the Board to review by next meeting. Clerk Fagan shared that there will be a November Election with one bond/millage proposal from Whitehall District Schools. She also

shared that a resident had reached out to her via Facebook/Fruitland Township Informed after having ZBA board members show up to his property unannounced. She stated she would like to hear from the Attorney on what the legalities are and possibly discuss a standard procedure for all boards to follow.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Trustee Holman second by Clerk Fagan, ***ADOPTED***, to adjourn the August 21, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 7:54 PM.

*Upon Voice Vote: **7AYES – motion carried***

Respectfully Submitted,

Breann Fagan, Clerk  
Township of Fruitland

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