

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION MEETING
MARCH 11, 2024 MINUTES**

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

ABSENT -

ALSO PRESENT – (3) Three interested parties

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Marcinkowski called the March 11, 2024, Work Session Meeting to order at 10:01 AM and led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA - Motion by Trustee Lundell, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to accept the amended March 11, 2024 Work Session Township Board Meeting Agenda.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were none.

PRESENTATIONS –

- a. **Bob Murray - Park Commission – 3/4 meeting update** – Commissioner Murray expressed frustration trying to collect fencing quotes. He discussed the planned upcoming baseball season. He reported on the most recent Parks meeting and upcoming Easter Event. Chairman Murray presented the Parks Commission discussed budget for the upcoming year.

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to suspend from Robert’s Rules to discuss.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

The Board discussed the increased budget requests for event programming and also discussed possible issues with how the current easter event is being advertised and managed in terms of collecting payment for tickets.

- b. **Dave Rice – DCNA/FFTT update** – David Rice gave updates on the Duck Creek Natural Area and the Friends of Fruitland Township Trails. They are continuing to work on the bridge and considering next projects and steps. Trustee Graham provided some merchandise style items for the upcoming business expo.

- c. **Mike Holman – Planning Commission** – The Planning Commission recently met with a potential blueberry field on Weber Road applying for a Special Land Use. It has been tentatively approved with further investigation needed. The Planning Commission made some updates and is working on further clarification in other areas.
- d. **Supervisor Marcinkowski – White Lake Fire Authority** – WLFA will be asking for a 2.25 mill operating budget in the May Election. Supervisor Marcinkowski expressed that he believes this to be too high of a request.

Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to suspend return to Robert's Rules.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS –

- a. **Vacant Land Sale – Nord Rd properties went live on 3/5. Lakewood lots are being surveyed and staked. Legal Descriptions.**

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to utilize two small lots on Nestrom Rd and Murray Rd to be designated as future pocket parks.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

- b. **Township Signage RFP** – Supervisor Marcinkowski reported there is a contractor walk through scheduled for 3/6 and proposals are due March 20.
- c. **New Well** – Supervisor Marcinkowski reported there is a contractors walk through scheduled for 3/7 and quotes are due March 20
- d. **Flooring – Infinity** – Supervisor Marcinkowski would like to schedule installation for the last 2 weeks in April. April 18-21 stage one, April 25-28 stage 2. Can also use this time to get rid of old furniture using a company that will take bids for us.

Motion by Trustee Holman, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to close the office on April 18 and 25th for the purposes of installing new carpet and furniture.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

- e. **Road projects** – Supervisor Marcinkowski has provided approvals for road projects to the MCRC and expects the contracts will be approved by the MCRC Board on 3/13.
- f. **February Check disbursement report** – Provided to Board.

- g. Gaines Update** – Mr. Gaines has been given the chance to file another appeal and stay order and has a lawyer involved. Township Attorneys are filing responses.
- h. WRLS Generator** – Has been installed per Jack Greve.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- a. Broadband – email** – Supervisor Marcinkowski has reached out to determine Fruitland Township’s next steps and responsibilities.

NEW BUSINESS –

- a. RESOLUTION 2024-09 – AUTHORIZATION TO SELL REAL TOWNSHIP PROPERTY –**
Will be necessary to legally sell the listed properties.

- b. New Copier - OMC quote – current cost** – Clerk Fagan reported that the current printer was purchased used approximately 7 years ago and per the company the parts and toner are becoming obsolete. Office Machines has provided a quote for a refurbished machine that other municipalities are using and are happy with. The current cost for copies would also decrease.

- c. Duck Creek Natural Area – ADA trail – estimates.**

Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to suspend from Robert’s Rules to discuss for clarification.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

The Board discussed the quotes with David Rice.

Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to suspend return to Robert’s Rules.

Upon Voice Vote: 7 AYES – motion carried

- d. ARPA allocation discussion and review** – The Board discussed current ARPA allocations and what needs to be updated.
- e. Township Budget** – The Board reviewed the proposed budget for the new fiscal year.
- f. Muskegon County Free Dump Day** – Supervisor Marcinkowski has scheduled the Fruitland Township Free Dump Day for April 27 – 8am-4pm – Comprenew for Electronics – need volunteers
- g. Paving of Nestrom Park Ring Road and Parking lot** – Supervisor Marcinkowski provided quotes from McKearney Asphalt and Asphalt Paving Inc
- h. Tennis and Pickleball court Fencing** – Supervisor Marcinkowski provided quotes and will have additional quotes for next meeting.
- i. Scope of Work – Generator**
- j. Scope of Work – Electric Service Upgrade**

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Bob Murray, Duck Lake Rd – Responded to Trustee Jeske regarding Parks Commission discussions for the designated Lakewood lots.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION – Clerk Fagan reported a nearly 30% voter turn out rate for the Presidential Primary and is gearing up for the May 7, 2024 election for the WLFA Operating Millage renewal. Supervisor Marcinkowski reported he continues to look for funding and support for the Scenic Road Safe Street Initiative.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to adjourn the March 11, 2024 Work Session of the Township of Fruitland at 12:11 PM.

Upon Voice Vote: 6 AYES – motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Breann Fagan, Clerk
Township of Fruitland

