

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 20, 2024 MINUTES**

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

ABSENT – Trustee Holman

ALSO PRESENT – (13) Thirteen interested parties

CALL TO ORDER - Supervisor Marcinkowski called the May 20, 2024 Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA - Motion by Treasurer Pachman, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to accept the amended May 20, 2024 Regular Township Board Meeting Agenda.

Upon Voice Vote: 6 AYES – motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Kimon Kotos, 6171 Duck Lake Rd – Proud of the big success with the Duck Creek Natural Area Bridge Opening Celebration. Also announced he is running for Township Supervisor.

PRESENTATIONS –

- a. **Alan Hinks – Ecology Station** – Gave a short presentation on the next steps at the Ecology Station for the EGLE required Environmental Investigation.

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to suspend from Robert’s Rules to discuss with Alan and the public attendees.

Upon Voice Vote: 6 AYES – motion carried

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to return to Robert’s Rules.

Upon Voice Vote: 6 AYES – motion carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS –

- a. **April Zoning Report** – Will be placed on file when received.
- b. **April Ordinance Report** – Will be placed on file.
- c. **April PINS report** – Will be placed on file.

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- d. **Michillinda Rd** - Milling/overlay has been completed, striping and shoulder work to be completed.
- e. **Michigan Par Plan** – Water Sensor Kits have been provided for township buildings to be alerted if there are water leaks/issues.
- f. **July Board of Review Meeting** – Will take place July 16, 2024 at 3pm
- g. **Nestrom Park asphalt paving** – Base coat was completed 5/17, riding lift will be done and the paving completed this week. Further work will need to be done to finalize fencing and allow courts to cure.
- h. **Greg Gaines** – Hearing Date is scheduled for July 17, 2024 at 1:30pm. Supervisor Marcinkowski and Ordinance Enforcer Toby will attend.
- i. **New well** – Has been installed, final hookups still needed.

CONSENT AGENDA –

- a. **April 2024 Treasurer reports; Revenues: (101) General Fund \$99,768.01; Expenditures: (101) General Fund \$100,454.92; Fund 130 Public Works Expenditures: \$200.00**
- b. **April 2024 Clerk reports – Check Disbursement; ARPA Expenditures and Allocations**
- c. **Minutes – April 8, 2024 Work Session; April 15, 2024 Regular Board Meeting**

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- a. **McMillan Rd End – Slope Stabilization – Dune Grass planting** – Supervisor Marcinkowski discussed the quotes and is still
- ~~b. **ARPA update** – Will move to next month's meeting.~~
- c. **Nestrom Park Restrooms**

Motion by Trustee Lundell, second by Clerk Fagan, **ADOPTED**, to approve the quote from CDS.

Trustee Lundell withdrew her motion pending clarification from CDS Inc.

- d. **Signage – 4 new signs** – Supervisor Marcinkowski clarified that the previously approved signs are moving forward. He will have pictures for the additional signage at the June meeting.
- e. **Old Dump – further investigation – email – costs – approval**

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to approve the plan submitted by Westshore Engineering for continued investigation at the Ecology Station.
Roll Call Vote: Trustee Jeske **AYE**, Trustee Graham **AYE**, Clerk Fagan **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **AYE**, Trustee Lundell **AYE**, Treasurer Pachman **AYE**, Trustee Holman **ABSENT**, – **motion carried**

- f. **Furnishings** – Supervisor Marcinkowski expressed that he has not been able to find anyone to broker the sale of the current office furniture. He has been advised to try to sell through Craigslist or Facebook Marketplace. With the Board’s permission he will begin this process.

NEW BUSINESS –

- a. **White River Light Station – Anniversary Celebration and Historic Structure Report** – The Board discussed the costs of the celebration and approved the following motions. They will revisit the remaining costs after some brainstorming on other funding ideas.

Motion by Trustee Lundell, second by Trustee Graham, **ADOPTED**, to approve the cost of the Historical Marker Application, creation and installation.

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

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to approve up to \$15,000 towards the structural report depending on the grant award and matching funding from SPLKA.

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

- b. **RESOLUTION 2024-15 PERFORMANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION ROAD BRINING**

Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Lundell, **ADOPTED**, to approve Resolution 2024-15.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Jeske **AYE**, Trustee Graham **AYE**, Clerk Fagan **AYE**, Supervisor Marcinkowski **AYE**, Trustee Lundell **AYE**,

Treasurer Pachman **AYE**, Trustee Holman **ABSENT**, – **motion carried**

c. Park Commission Appointment – Ellie Vantongeren

Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Clerk Fagan, **ADOPTED**, to appoint Ellie Vantongeren to the vacancy in the Parks Commission.

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

d. Request to divide lot #4 (C&K subdivision)

Motion by Supervisor Marcinkowski, second by Clerk Fagan, **ADOPTED**, to approve the lot division.

Upon Voice Vote: **5 AYES, 1 NAY – motion carried**

e. Article R 8 revision – Fruitland Township Property Ordinance – Supervisor Marcinkowski continues to work with the township attorney on this and should have the final revision for the June meeting.

f. Generator installation and electrical upgrade – quotes – selection

Motion by Trustee Lundell, second by Trustee Jeske, **ADOPTED**, to approve quotes from Korthase Electric for both the generator and electrical service install.

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

g. Lakewood subdivision lots -

h. VAC contract – ARPA funds - 2 years

Motion by Trustee Graham, second by Clerk Fagan, **ADOPTED**, to approve the contract with the VAC for two years.

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

i. Living Word contract – ARPA funds – 2 years

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Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Graham, **ADOPTED**, to approve the contract with Living Word Senior Services for two years.

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

- j. **Community Center – request for burn pit – recreational fires** – Supervisor Marcinkowski has discussed this with the township attorney and they are in agreement that it should be allowed with rules.

Motion by Trustee Jeske, second by Trustee Graham, **ADOPTED**, to approve a fire pit at the Community Building.

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

- k. **Electronic Access Control** – Supervisor Marcinkowski provided information regarding changing access in the township hall to electronic security locks that require scanning fobs to enter.
- l. **Zoning Administrator** – Supervisor Marcinkowski would like to post the Zoning Administrator position now. He would like to increase the required hours to somewhere between 16 and 24 hours.
- m. **Cemetery** – Supervisor Marcinkowski is going to investigate and begin collecting bids for demolishing the building and changing the electrical panel to an outdoor panel.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Nicholas Cribley, Nestrom Rd – Announced that he is also running for Township Supervisor.

Melissa Brower, (via Zoom) – Congratulations to Ellie, she will be great for this position.

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION – Supervisor Marcinkowski discussed changes to the Cemetery Ordinance to include the flag services done for Memorial Day. Clerk Fagan reported a 22% voter turnout for the May 7, 2024 election. Trustee Graham mentioned that sign-ups have started for Senior Palooza and she has about 22 vendors signed up. She also questioned why the camera isn't working at the WRLS yet.

ADJOURNMENT

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Motion by Clerk Fagan, second by Trustee Graham, ***ADOPTED***, to adjourn the May 20, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Township of Fruitland at 7:47 PM.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Breann Fagan, Clerk
Township of Fruitland