

**FRUITPORT CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2016**

A work session of the Fruitport Charter Township Board began at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2016, in the township board room.

Members Present: Brian Werschem; Carol Hulka, Clerk; Rose Dillon, Treasurer; Trustees Ron Becklin, Dave Markgraf, Marjorie Nash, and Chuck Whitlow. Member Absent: None

Also Present: 6- residents; 2-County guests; Public Safety Director, Michelli and DPW Director, Farrar

At 7:00 p.m., Supervisor Werschem opened the regular meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed with a prayer.

The meeting minutes of March 28, 2016, regular meeting, were approved as presented.

The motion by Rose Dillon, seconded by Marjorie Nash, was **Carried Unanimously**, to approve the meeting agenda of April 25, 2016, with the following addition to the Agenda, under New Business, Item D: "Recreational Partnership"

**CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS**

- 1) Michigan Townships Association legislative updates
- 2) 3) Notice of a second prehearing for customers of Michigan Gas Utilities (Case No. U-17940) concerning requesting a gas cost recovery.

Tim Burgess, 6336 Walker Road and Jon Meeuwenberg, 6908 Anita Court, who are both on the Fruitport Schools Citizens Committee, told about the upcoming November millage request to renovate the Fruitport High School.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - PART 1**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**16-046 CEMETERY ORDINANCE- FIRST READING**

The Township Board made a recommendation to adopt a cemetery ordinance which will establish regulations relating to the operation, control, and management of cemeteries owned by Fruitport Charter Township.

This constitutes the first reading. Final action will take place at the next regular scheduled meeting on May 9, 2016.

**16-047 Catalina Shores Street Lights**

The motion by Ron Becklin, supported by Rose Dillon, was **Carried Unanimously**, to authorize five street lights be added into the street lighting contract, per the site plan presented, with Consumers Energy for the Catalina Shores Condominiums development and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the necessary paper work. The motion is contingent upon the developer installing and paying for the street lights.

Ayes: Becklin, Dillon, Nash, Hulka, Markgraf, Whitlow, Werschem Nays: None

**16-048 Public Safety Sale of Fixed Asset / Capital Purchase**

Ron Becklin moved, supported by Rose Dillon, **MOTION CARRIED**, to sell or trade a Suburban police vehicle and combine that money with the \$16,500 from the totaled police vehicle that was damaged beyond repair in an accident on Airline Road and purchase an all-wheel drive / 4 wheel drive SUV for the Police Department. The purchase price of the SUV shall not exceed the combined price of the trade in for the Suburban and the \$16,500 from the totaled police vehicle.

Ayes: Becklin, Dillon, Nash, Hulka, Markgraf, Whitlow, Werschem Nays: None

**16-049 Recreation Partnership**

County Administrator, Mark Eisenbarth and Jonathan Wilson, Economic Development Coordinator, gave an overview of a Comprehensive Community Development plan: Recreational Partnership. Twenty-seven municipalities are included. Local investment priorities/improvements are submitted. Grants will be utilized. County-wide planning developed by local public input.

The motion by Dave Markgraf, supported by Rose Dillon, **Carried Unanimously**, to complete a letter of interest/support and to appoint Trustee Ron Becklin as liaison to the steering committee for the Recreation Partnership.

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**16-050 Payment of Bills**

Dave Margrave moved, Carol Hulka seconded, **MOTION CARRIED**, to approve bills for payment in the following amounts: General Fund & Parks \$48,794.74; Public Safety \$198,186.53; Water \$129,983.77; Sewer \$37,127.14      Totaling: \$414,092.18

Ayes: Markgraf, Hulka, Whitlow, Dillon, Nash, Becklin, Werschem    Nays: None

**REPORTS –**

Township clean-up days—May 6 and 7<sup>th</sup> behind the Fruitport Township Hall  
County-wide (FREE) tire clean-up on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> behind the Fruitport Township Hall.    No tractor tires accepted.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – PART II**

Nelda Hornyak, 2317 Judson Road, will have a culvert put in because of water problems.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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CAROL HULKA, CLERK

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BRIAN WERSCHEM, SUPERVISOR