

**FRUITPORT CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 27, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Fruitport Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Brian Werschem at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 27, 2016, in the township board room.

Supervisor Werschem opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

Members Present: Brian Werschem, Supervisor; Carol Hulka, Clerk; Rose Dillon, Treasurer; Trustees Ron Becklin, Dave Markgraf, Marjorie Nash, and Chuck Whitlow. Members Absent: Trustee Dave Markgraf--excused

Also Present: 3 – residents, 1 – employee, 2 – guests, Public Safety Director, Michelli and DPW Director, Farrar.

The board meeting minutes of June 13, 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 June 27, 2016, with following addition: Village Tax Collection Agreement

CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS

1) Michigan Townships Association legislative updates

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Collene Lamonte, candidate for State Representative, introduced herself and announced that she is running for office again.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

16-058 Street Light Millage Rate

The Township previously established a streetlight special assessment district to cover the costs of various street lights in the Township, which authorizes the township to levy up to .5 mill. The township has levied a millage rate of .45 mill to cover the costs of various street lights. Because of the corrected inventory and installation of high efficiency lighting, the Township currently does not need to levy .45 mill in order to cover the costs of the various street lights.

Rose Dillon moved, seconded by Ron Becklin, **MOTION CARRIED**, for the adoption of a Resolution to reduce the street light millage rate from .45 to .40 mill effective with the property tax bills sent out in December 2016.

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

16-059 Lead Level Test Results for Fruitport Schools

DPW Director Matt Farrar and Mike G , Superintendent of the City of Muskegon Filtration Plant, related the lead level testing that was done for Fruitport Schools resulted in being 100% safe. Fruitport DPW Utility Foreman Ron Langlois, was involved in the testing.

16-060 Village Tax Collection

Ron Becklin moved, Chuck Whitlow seconded, **MOTION CARRIED**, for the adoption of an Agreement, pending the township attorney's review, between the Village of Fruitport and the Township of Fruitport, for the Township, by and through its Treasure to collect the Village's property taxes.

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

16-061 Payment of Bills

Carol Hulka moved, Ron Becklin seconded, **MOTION CARRIED**, to approve bills for payment in the following amounts: General Fund & Parks \$23,912.11; Public Safety \$39,162.07; Water \$43,908.51 ; Sewer \$4,416.45 Totaling: \$111,399.14

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

REPORTS –

Public Safety Director, Michelli, presented a 2015 year end event activity summary that resulted in 11,125 services responded to by police officers in Fruitport Township.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – PART II

Sam Cramblet, 3075 West Fruitport Road, commented on ordinance violations.

The motion by Chuck Whitlow, supported by Ron Becklin, was **carried unanimously**, to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

CAROL HULKA, CLERK

BRIAN WERSCHEM, SUPERVISOR

