FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP **SPECIAL** BOARD MEETING - M I N U T E S 05/20/2020 - 4:00 O'CLOCK P.M. AT 3720 KEEWAHDIN ROAD, FORT GRATIOT MI 48059 PAGE 1

MEMBERS PRESENT:

CRAWFORD, OPRITA, BUECHLER, BRADLEY, BRUCKNER, KISH AND MONTGOMERY

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

PATRICK SMITH, FIRE CHIEF

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Bruckner, to approve Minutes of the **REGULAR MEETING** of March 4, 2020, as printed and posted. Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: * NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to approve the Agenda, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1,985,389.93 1,038,445.14 397,339.70
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708,394.33
467,692.76
5,4604
1,463,721.22
6,066,443.12
1,454,224.85
7,520,667.97

Motion by Buechler, seconded by Bruckner, to accept the Treasurer's Report as given. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 7,520,667.97

BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 103,721.10
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 19,575.69
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 15,842.65
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 204,909.57
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 111,830.24
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 1,525.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 364,439.68
TOTAL	\$ 821,911.25
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (MAINT. & IMP.)	\$ 10,921.50
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 832,832.75

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Kish, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 832,832.75.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Kish, seconded by Oprita, to adopt Proposed Ordinance No. 220, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 36, UTILITIES, ARTICLE II - COMBINED PUBLIC WATER DISTRIBUTION AND SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEM, as presented.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION:

- Adding language to allow Past Due bills to go on Tax Roll in summer and winter.
- * Introduced and approved 03/04/2020; Publication of Introduction 03/09/2020.

Roll Call Vote: 7/0. MOTION PASSED.

^{*} According to Section 6 of the Charter Township of Fort Gratiot By-Laws adopted 02/20/2003.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Bruckner, to accept the letter of resignation of Teresa Jex from the Fort Gratiot Parks and Recreation, Effective immediately. Vote, Unanimous. MOTION PASSED. RESIGNATION LETTER ACCEPTED.
- 2. Motion by Crawford, seconded by Kish, to appoint Nicole M. Gordon to the Fort Gratiot Parks and Recreation Commission vacancy, with a term to expire November 20, 2020. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. APPOINTMENT ACCEPTED.
- 3. The Board of Trustees took NO ACTION on the appointment of Member Representative to the Michigan Township Participating Plan.
- 4. Motion by Montgomery, supported by Bradley, to approve the contract for the Water Tower repairs with E&L Contracting, for \$87,460.00, with a change order for \$5,000.00, and to allow the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the contract and all necessary documents.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: *

- * Five companies bid on the work, E&L was the lowest bidder by a good amount
- This project would be funded by the maintenance and improvement funds from the 495 account, and is funded.
- * The Water Tower was constructed in 1969, interior painted in 1996 and recoated in 2008.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 7/0, MOTION PASSED

5. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Fort Gratiot Township COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. PLAN ACCEPTED.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

- Proposed sale of John Deere tractor and minimum bid amount.
- Memorial Day marking of graves for flags to honor veterans.
- Old Farm lighting construction and reduction of cost to have SEMCO remove the gas lights, and status of construction.
- Plans for water meter replacements.
- Revised revenue sharing estimates for 2020-2021 from the State of Michigan had less of a reduction than anticipated.
- August Election Update, current plan is normal precincts for in person voting, State is mailing AV applications to all voters.
- Reopening and group size restrictions per the Governor.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: NONE

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to adjourn. Time, 4:32 o'clock p.m. Vote, Unanimous. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED.

ROBERT D. BUECHLER, CLERK

FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP

ROBERT C. CRAWFORD, SUPERVISOR FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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