

MEMBERS PRESENT: CRAWFORD, OPRITA, BUECHLER, BRADLEY, KISH, BRUCKNER AND ARMBRUSTER
 MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE
 ALSO PRESENT: PAT SMITH, FIRE CHIEF
 LISA SHAGENA, ASSESSOR
 PATTI BUNDY, UTILITY BILLING CLERK

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of February 3rd, 2021, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: * NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Oprita, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Agenda, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,222,742.69
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 1,184,502.05
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 420,656.63
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 771,341.46
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 470,761.03
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 25,536.88
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 1,280,223.58
TOTAL	\$ 6,375,764.32
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$ 1,302,133.33
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 7,677,897.65

Motion by Buechler, seconded by Bradley, to receive the Treasurer's Report, as given. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,677,897.65.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 25,661.43
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 15,955.24
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 63,949.50
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 0.00
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 302.96
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 25,608.25
TOTAL	\$ 131,477.38
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (BRACE/TICE BOND DEBT)	\$ 22,135.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 153,612.38

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Armbruster, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 153,612.38.

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

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT: Given by representative of Sheriff Department: Matt Pohl

Total Calls for Service for the month of January, 2021, (309). Number of Patrol Hours, (1116). 6 Animal Complaint; 3 Assault & Battery; 36 Assist Other Depts.; 52 Assist Public; 29 B&E/Alarm; 3 B&E/Building & Vehicle; 6 Disorderly Persons; 9 Domestic Assault; 5 Fraud; 10 Harassment & Threats; 1 Juvenile Matter; 7 Larceny; 3 MDOP; 1 Narcotics; 1 PI Traffic Crash; 24 PD Traffic Crash; 11 Retail Fraud; 2 Sex Offense; 29 Suspicious Incidents; 2 Trespasser; 74 Misc.: School Checks/Warrant Arrests/Follow-up/BOL, 911 Hang-ups, etc.; 131 Traffic Stops; 33 Tickets Issued.

Concerns of drivers using the center turn lane and/or the bike path lane as a passing lane on North River Road. Targeted patrolling will be done along North River Road.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE SHERIFF: * NONE

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Total runs for the month of January, 2021, (118). 3 Fire; 101 Rescue/EMS; 3 Hazardous Condition (No Fire); 5 Good Intent Calls; 6 False Alarm/False Call. Total Cost, \$26,358.50.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: NONE

PLUMBING/MECHANICAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT: NONE

ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT REPORT: NONE

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT: NONE

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter, from St. Clair County Sheriff's Department, regarding increased rates for any additional security required during special events.
2. Press Release from Blue Water Area Transportation Commission announcing the retirement of General Manager, Jim Wilson.

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to accept Reports and Correspondence, as presented. Vote, Unanimous.
MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC HEARING(S): NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **NO ACTION TAKEN** on request from Terry & Marcia Beck, 3211 Keewahdin Road, Lot 37, for reimbursement of overpayment for water usage due to a faulty meter, at this time. Future meter read & test reads will be reviewed.
2. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Kish, to approve the 2021 Radio First Proposed Campaign at a total annual plan cost of \$10,986.00.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * The cost is \$59.00 over 2020; increase is in the Vacationland 2021 Sponsor Packet.
* When events were cancelled, last year, the stations increased our airtime with other things/happenings.

Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

3. Motion by Buechler, seconded by Armbruster, to adopt the *COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan*, as presented.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * Updates Executive Orders that have been replaced with MIOSHA Emergency Rules

Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

NEW BUSINESS, CONTINUED:

4. Motion by Bruckner, seconded by Oprita, to approve the Letter of Understanding for Financial Auditing Services for the year ended December 31, 2020, by UHY, LLC; and authorize the Township Supervisor or Township Clerk to sign the Letter of Understanding on behalf of the Township Board. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

BOARD DISCUSSION:

- Enforcement options regarding donation boxes located throughout the Township
- Digital sign for front of Municipal Center
- GPS Air Cleaning System for Municipal Center
- Website updates and offering additional online services
- Grounds Maintenance requesting additional employee, especially during baseball season
- Cost estimates for resealing and striping of Municipal Center parking lot
- Pointe Community Center heating system and roof

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: NONE

Motion by Kish, seconded by Armbruster, to adjourn. Time, 7:29 o'clock p.m. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED.**


ROBERT D. BUECHLER, CLERK
FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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ROBERT C. CRAWFORD, SUPERVISOR
FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP