

MEMBERS PRESENT: CRAWFORD, OPRITA, BUECHLER, BRADLEY, BRUCKNER AND ARMBRUSTER

MEMBERS ABSENT: KISH

ALSO PRESENT: PAT SMITH, FIRE CHIEF  
 STACY BELISLE, MCGRAW MORRIS PC  
 PATTI BUNDY, UTILITY BILLING CLERK

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Minutes of the **REGULAR MEETING** of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** \* NONE

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Crawford, seconded by Oprita, to approve the Agenda, with the addition of NEW BUSINESS:  
 Item #2.5: Resolution of Intent to Collect Summer Taxes for the Port Huron Area School District for the Year 2022; and  
 Item #2.75: DPW Request to purchase a mower, therefore making Item #3, New Business the last item on the Agenda.  
 Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED. AGENDA APPROVED, AS AMENDED.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,643,297.09
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 1,443,153.94
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 88,844.41
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 770,737.66
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 449,103.23
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 52,057.33
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 1,515,169.50
TOTAL	\$ 6,962,363.16
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$ 1,328,997.03
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 8,291,360.19

Motion by Armbruster, seconded by Buechler, to receive the Treasurer's Report, as given. Roll Call Vote, 6/0.  
**MOTION PASSED. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 8,291,360.19.**

**BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:**

GENERAL FUND	\$ 62,468.75
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 7,820.02
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 57.74
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 82,793.12
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 58,703.80
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 19,136.79
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 230,980.22

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Oprita, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED.**  
**BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 230,980.22.**

**SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Given by representative of Sheriff Department: Deputy Austin Nutzmann

Total Calls for Service for the month of May, 2022, (494). Number of Patrol Hours, (1116). 6 Animal Complaint; 2 Assault & Battery; 39 Assist Other Depts.; 181 Assist Public; 26 B&E/Alarm; 1 B&E/Building & Vehicle; 1 Child Abuse; 13 Disorderly Persons; 19 Domestic Assault; 7 Fraud; 5 Harassment & Threats; 14 Juvenile Matter; 8 Larceny; 3 MDOP; 3 PI Traffic Crash; 46 PD Traffic Crash; 7 Retail Fraud; 2 Sex Offense; 23 Suspicious Incidents; 2 Trespasser; 86 Misc.: School Checks/Warrant Arrests/Follow-up/BOL, 911 Hang-ups, etc.; 131 Traffic Stops; 64 Tickets Issued.

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

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE SHERIFF:** \* NONE

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Total runs for the month of May, 2022, (157). 2 Fire; 123 Rescue/EMS; 7 Hazardous Condition (No Fire); 9 Service Calls; 11 Good Intent Calls; 5 False Alarm/False Call. Total Cost, \$23,736.65.

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Total permits issued for the month of May, 2022, (33). 11 Residential Addition/Alteration/Repair (Val. 148,257); 9 Accessory Structure (Val. 73,120); 9 Fence (Val. 28,400); 1 Deck/Porch (Val. 11,792); 1 Manufactured Mobile Home (Val. 12,000); 2 Signs (Val. 18,900). Total Valuation, \$ 292,469.00. Total Fees, \$ 3,210.50.

**PLUMBING/MECHANICAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT:** Total permits issued for the month of May, 2022, (20). 18 Mechanical (2,475.00); 2 Plumbing (220.00). Total Fees, \$ 2,695.00.

**ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Total permits issued for the month of May, 2022, (17). Total Fees, \$8,299.00.

**ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:** Total Complaints for the month of May, 2022, (9). 8 Blight; 4 Misc. Ordinance Violations. Total Hours, 21. Total Miles, 77.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. St. Clair County MTA Chapter Meeting, Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. at the Belle River Golf Course in Memphis, MI. *RSVP Required.*
2. Letter from COMCAST re: Regional Sports Network courtesy adjustment.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING(S):** NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Crawford, seconded by Bradley, to adopt Proposed Ordinance No. 223, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FORT GRATIOT, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN, TO AFFIRM THE BUILDING INSPECTOR AS HAVING THE RESPONSIBILITY WITHIN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FORT GRATIOT, LOCATED IN ST. CLAIR COUNTY, TO ENFORCE THE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND TO DESIGNATE REGULATED FLOOD HAZARD AREAS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT, ACT NO. 230 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1972, AS AMENDED.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Updates Ordinance to coincide with updated FEMA maps.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. ORDINANCE NO. 223, ADOPTED.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Buechler, seconded by Bruckner, to adopt Resolution (2022-007) of Intent to Collect Summer Taxes for St. Clair County for the Year 2022.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* 5.3153 Mills per \$1,000 Taxable Value

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. RESOLUTION 2022-007, ADOPTED.**

2. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Armbruster, to adopt the mileage rate increase, from .585 per mile to .625 per mile, as set by the IRS, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022; and to adopt *Resolution (2022-008) Automatically Establishing Mileage Reimbursement at IRS Rate.*

Roll Call Vote, 6/0.

**NEW BUSINESS, CONTINUED:**

2.5 Motion by Bradley, seconded by Bruckner, to adopt *Resolution (2022-009) of Intent to Collect Summer Taxes for the Port Huron Area School District for the year 2022*, as follows:

Commercial Personal Property	-	6.0000	mills
School Operating Millage (Non-Homestead)	-	18.0000	mills
School Debt Millage	-	3.2000	mills
State Education Millage	-	6.0000	mills

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. RESOLUTION 2022-009, ADOPTED.**

2.75 Motion by Buechler, seconded by Oprita, to purchase one Gravely 72" zero turn mower from Wadhams Equipment for the cost of \$14,240.80 using the proceeds from the sale of equipment of \$12,192 and \$2,048.80 from the Maintenance and Improvement Fund.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* The DPW recently sold surplus equipment for \$12,192.00. DPW requests to use those funds; their maintenance and improvement funding to purchase the new mower for a cost of \$14,240.80.  
\* The amount of maintenance and improvement funds needed for the purchase is \$2,048.80. Gravely mower is in stock, Kubota mower not available.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

3. Motion by Crawford, seconded by Buechler, to move to a *Closed Session* to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by State or Federal statute, pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(h). Time, 7:12 o'clock p.m.  
Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

**8:20 O'CLOCK P.M. - REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED.**

Motion by Buechler, seconded by Crawford, to accept the recommendation made by the Township Attorney, as recommended in the Closed Session. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

**BOARD DISCUSSION:**

- Carnival at Birchwood Mall begins June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 and Cruise Night begins Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6 p.m. Car Show Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 10 am - 3 pm.
- Business License Fees.
- AV Applications going out this week.

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** NONE

Motion by Crawford, seconded by Armbruster, to adjourn. Time, 8:22 o'clock p.m. Vote, Unanimous.  
**MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED.**

ROBERT D. BUECHLER, CLERK  
FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP

RDB/RCC/vo

ROBERT C. CRAWFORD, SUPERVISOR  
FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP