

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: ARMBRUSTER

ALSO PRESENT: STACY BELISLE, MCGRAW MORRIS PC  
 PAT SMITH, FIRE CHIEF  
 LISA SHAGENA, TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR  
 SHARON WILTON, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR  
 PATTI BUNDY, UTILITY BILLING CLERK  
 ROB MONTGOMERY, ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Kish, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** \*

Rob Montgomery regarding Item #2, New Business - Tennis Courts Grants for North River Road; and Item #5, New Business - Closed Session.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,244,883.80
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 1,241,524.17
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 73,719.23
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 531,990.60
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 328,153.08
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 107,427.68
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 1,705,018.21
TOTAL	\$ 6,232,716.77
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$ 1,203,084.48
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 7,435,801.25

Motion by Bradley, 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 \$ 7,435,801.25.**

**BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:**

GENERAL FUND	\$ 23,734.66
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 4,675.57
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 7,815.16
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 56.00
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 60,049.69
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 292.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 9,396.42
TOTAL	\$ 106,019.50
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (MAINT. & IMP.)	\$ 7,843.18
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 113,862.68

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 113,862.68.**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Michigan Townships Association's fall Regional Summit, October 25-26 at the Blue Water Conference Center in Port Huron.

Motion by Buechler, seconded by Oprita, to accept correspondence, as presented. Vote, Unanimous.  
**MOTION PASSED.**

**PUBLIC HEARING(S):** NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to adopt Proposed Ordinance No. 222, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FORT GRATIOT, COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR, STATE OF MICHIGAN, CHAPTER 38, REPEALING THE EXISTING PROVISIONS OF SECTION 38-528 MIXED USE SPECIAL APPROVAL USE, IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ENACTING NEW SECTION 38-528 MIXED USE SPECIAL APPROVAL USE.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Recommended for approval by Township Planning Commission on April 12, 2022; and  
Recommended for approval by St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission 06/15/2022.  
\* Introduced, for consideration, by the Township Board 08/17/2022. Published 08/24/2022.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. ORDINANCE NO. 222, ADOPTED.**

2. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Oprita, to adopt Proposed Ordinance No. 224, Chapter 38, Zoning, Section 38-112, District Boundaries, rezoning parcels 74-20-015-4038-000 & 74-20-015-4039-001 (Vacant - Keewahdin Road) from R1A-Single Family Residential and O1-Neighborhood Office to RM-Multiple Residential; and to amend the official Zoning Map, accordingly.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Recommended for approval by Township Planning Commission on 05/10/2022 Public Hearing; and  
Recommended for approval by St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission 07/20/2022.  
\* Introduced, for consideration, by the Township Board 08/17/2022. Published 08/24/2022.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. ORDINANCE NO. 224, ADOPTED.**

3. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to adopt Proposed Ordinance No. 225, Chapter 38, Zoning, Section 38-112, District Boundaries, rezoning parcel 74-20-021-2006-000 (3219 Keewahdin Road) from C2-General Business to MHR-Mobile Home Residential; and to amend the official Zoning Map, accordingly.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Recommended for approval by Township Planning Commission on 04/12/2022 Public Hearing; and  
Recommended for approval by St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission 06/15/2022.  
\* Introduced, for consideration, by the Township Board 08/17/2022. Published 08/24/2022.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. ORDINANCE NO. 225, ADOPTED.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Buechler, to adopt the Resolution (2022-010) Adopting the St. Clair County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Hazard Mitigation Plan Renewal (2022 - 2027)  
This is an updated Resolution repealing the last Resolution (2019-003) adopted January 16, 2019;  
No changes from the Original Resolution, other than updating dates of adoption by the St. Clair  
County Board of Commissioners and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. RESOLUTION 2022-010, ADOPTED.**

2. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to adopt Resolution No. 2022-011, *Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Department of Natural Resources SPARK Program for the Purpose of Making Improvements to North River Road Park for Tennis Court Refurbish, Which Will Provide Safe, Accessible Public Recreation Space.*

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Grant Application will have to be reviewed and approved by the Board prior to submitting.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. RESOLUTION 2022-011, ADOPTED.**

**NEW BUSINESS, CONTINUED:**

3. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to adopt Resolution No. 2022-012, *Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application to the Department of Natural Resources SPARK Program for the Purpose of Making Improvements to Parker Road West for Pickleball Courts, Which Will Provide Safe, Accessible Public Recreation Space.*

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Grant Application will have to be reviewed and approved by the Board prior to submitting.  
\* Spicer has submitted a bid to submit the Grant Application.  
\* Infrastructure and continued maintenance.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. RESOLUTION 2022-012, ADOPTED.**

4. Motion by Bruckner, seconded by Bradley, to approve the 2023 Radio First Proposed Campaign at a total annual plan cost of \$12,238.00.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* \$600.00 Increase from 2021 due to promotion additions.

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

5. 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, 7:22 o'clock p.m.  
Roll Call Vote, 5/1, Kish voting no. **MOTION PASSED.**

**8:05 O'CLOCK P.M. - REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED.**

**BOARD DISCUSSION:**

- Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance Renewal Rate (7.54%).
- Road Assistance Program to be presented at 09/21/2022 Board Meeting.
- Spicer Group - \$8,500 for Pickleball Grant.
- Waterline replacement on a portion of Lakeshore Road, near the Pointe.

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

- Chief Smith announced that M136 will be closed on September 12<sup>th</sup> thru 17<sup>th</sup> to install a culvert at the Brandywine Drain. Detour will be State to Krafft Road to North Road.

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to adjourn. Time, 8:08 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