

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT: PAT SMITH, FIRE CHIEF
 LISA SHAGENA, ASSESSOR AND BILL SHAGENA, FIRE DEPARTMENT
 ROB MONTGOMERY, ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
 DEAN MARLAR, ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
 BRENT WOOLMAN, FIRE DEPARTMENT
 ADAM MARSH, FIRE DEPARTMENT

Motion by Oprita, seconded by Armbruster, to approve the Minutes of the **REGULAR MEETING** of December 21st, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: * NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Agenda, with the correction of the date from 01/07/2023 to 01/04/2023. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED. AGENDA APPROVED, AS CORRECTED.**

TREASURER’S REPORT:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,061,490.30
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 1,089,077.38
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 10,352.82
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 315,805.84
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 170,031.04
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 106,311.95
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 1,933,806.81
TOTAL	\$ 5,686,876.14
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$ 1,079,820.46
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 6,766,696.60

Motion by Armbruster, 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 \$ 6,766,696.60.**

BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 30,471.70
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 602.55
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 7,815.16
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 0.00
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 61,552.31
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 1,083.84
TOTAL	\$ 101,525.56
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (PARKS MILLAGE)	\$ 16,084.31
(MAINT. & IMP.)	\$ 50,916.98
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 168,526.85

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Armbruster, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 168,526.85.**

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. COMCAST notification of changes to Xfinity TV services.

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

PUBLIC HEARING(S): NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Crawford, seconded by Bradley, approve the 2023 Annual Engineering Agreement between Fort Gratiot Charter Township and BMJ Engineers & Surveyors, Inc., for Engineering & Surveying Services; and authorize the Township Supervisor or Township Clerk to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Township.
Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**
2. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Fire Chiefs request to promote Paid-on-Call Firefighter, Adam Ebejer, from Probationary to Full Paid-on-Call status, effective January 4, 2023, at a pay rate of \$17.50 per run. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**
3. Motion by Buechler, seconded by Oprita, to approve the Fire Chiefs request to hire Austin Steeg as Probationary Paid-on-Call Firefighter, at a pay rate of \$11.00 per run, effective immediately. Roll Call Vote, 7/0.
MOTION PASSED.
4. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Buechler, to approve the Fire Chiefs request to post the position for a Full-Time Firefighter. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**
5. Motion by Armbruster, seconded by Bradley, to adopt the Introduction of Proposed Ordinance No. 226, AN ORDINANCE OF FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO AMEND: CHAPTER 38—UTILITIES, ARTICLE VI—SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS TO ADD SECTIONS 38-636 THROUGH 38-639, AND TO ADD ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE TO SECTIONS 38-142, 38-143, 38-172, 38-173, 38-177, 38-203, 38-262, 28-263, 38-322, 38-323, 38-353, 38-362, 38-363 AND 38-413 TO ALLOW FOR SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * Public Hearing held by Planning Commission on October 11th, 2022. Township Planning Commission and St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission recommend approval.
* Fire Department procedures.
* Transfer of Lease and/or Decommissioning.

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

BOARD DISCUSSION:

- Network Server Rack replacement.
- Generator, from Water Tower, is now at the Pointe Community Center.
- Sparks Grant submitted.
- Keewahdin Road Beach improvements.
- AP/AR/GL & Payroll Clerk interviews begin tomorrow.
- EDA Annual Meeting on February 16, 2023.
- MTA Registration.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

- Bill Shagena regarding Pointe Community Center generator.
- Brent Woolman regarding Solar Ordinance and structural engineering requirements.
- Lisa Shagena regarding Solar Ordinance and property leasing rights and deed records.

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to adjourn. Time, 7:27 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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