

MEMBERS PRESENT: CRAWFORD, BUECHLER, BRADLEY, KISH, BRUCKNER AND ARMBRUSTER  
 MEMBERS ABSENT: OPRITA  
 ALSO PRESENT: PAT SMITH, FIRE CHIEF  
 WILLIAM SHAGENA, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
 PATTY BUNDY, UTILITY BILLING CLERK  
 ROB MONTGOMERY, ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS / PARKS COMMISSION

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: \* NONE

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,366,705.61
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 1,808,038.08
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 220,648.68
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 845,714.73
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 583,762.77
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 96,073.53
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 1,938,868.73
TOTAL	\$ 7,859,812.13
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$ 892,395.26
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 8,752,207.39

Motion by Buechler, seconded by Bruckner, to receive the Treasurer's Report, as given. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 8,752,207.39.**

**BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:**

GENERAL FUND	\$ 72,579.65
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 15,163.05
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 7,815.16
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 84,423.20
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 122,391.31
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 636.31
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 338,477.78
TOTAL	\$ 641,486.46
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (MAINT. & IMP.)	\$ 36,429.40
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 677,915.86

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Armbruster, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 677,915.86.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. *Letter of Gratitude*, (dated April 10/2023), from Catherine Reppenhagen, for Captain, William Shagena and Deputy, Kevin Cornman, for their rapid response in providing CPR during her medical emergency that occurred on year ago, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING(S):** NONE

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Bruckner, adopt Resolution (2023-007) to Collect Blue Water Area Transportation Commission (BWATC) 2023 Millage of 0.6068 Mills per \$1,000 Taxable Value on the December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Property Tax Notice. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. RESOLUTION 2023-007, ADOPTED.**
2. Motion by Armbruster, seconded by Bruckner, to adopt Resolution 2023-008, amending Appendix "A", Chapter 36, Utilities, of the Fort Gratiot Charter Township Code of Ordinances, to reflect water and sewer rate changes, as follows:

	CURRENT RATE	PROPOSED RATE
<b>WATER</b>		
Per 1,000 Cubic Feet Used	\$ 39.50	\$ 41.00
Ready to Serve	\$ 34.00	\$ 35.00
Maintenance Fee	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.00
<b>SEWER</b>		
Per 1,000 Cubic Feet of Water Used	\$ 35.80	\$ 37.00
Maintenance Fee	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.00

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. RESOLUTION 2023-008, ADOPTED.**

3. Motion by Armbruster, seconded by Kish, to support the Fire Chief in sending a letter to Tri-Hospital EMS requesting Fort Gratiot Fire to be sent to any medical call that Tri-Hospital responds to "Emergency Status" in Fort Gratiot Fire Department's coverage area; and authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the letter on behalf of the Township.

**POINTS OF DISCUSSION:** \* This is the same status that the Department currently runs.

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

4. Motion by Armbruster, seconded by Bradley, to accept the Introduction of Ordinance No. 229, AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE 221, FORT GRATIOT TOWNSHIP TAX EXEMPTION ORDINANCE FOR THE PRESBYTERIAN VILLAGES OF MICHIGAN LAKE HURON WOODS PHASE 2, REFLECTING UPDATES TO LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS AFTER LOT SPLITS. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. **MOTION PASSED. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 229, ACCEPTED.**

**BOARD DISCUSSION:**

- New Grant opportunity available; will be applying to receive funding to assist with installation of utilities on Parker Road.
- Applied for SEMCOG Grants for planning.

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

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

  
 ROBERT D. BUECHLER, CLERK  
 FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP

RDB/RCC/v0

ROBERT C. CRAWFORD, SUPERVISOR  
 FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP