

MEMBERS PRESENT: CRAWFORD, WELLS, BUECHLER, BRADLEY, KISH, BRUCKNER AND ARMBRUSTER  
 MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE  
 ALSO PRESENT: MIKE FRONIMOS, FIRE CHIEF  
 MIKE WILTON & NICK PREVOST, FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: \* NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,066,839.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 1,116,747.29
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 196,473.80
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 257,021.13
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 134,439.58
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 128,824.09
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 2,315,326.57
TOTAL	\$ 6,215,671.46
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$ 816,763.47
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 7,032,434.93

Motion by Kish, seconded by Buechler, to receive the Treasurer's Report, as given. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 7,032,434.93.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 42,881.76
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 10,967.34
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 72,443.66
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ 0.00
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 271,343.93
TOTAL	\$ 397,636.69
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (MAINT. & IMP.)	\$ 12,609.50
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 410,246.19

Motion by Armbruster, seconded by Bruckner, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 410,246.19.

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT: Given by representative of Sheriff Department: Captain, M. Pohl

Total Calls for Service for the month of January, 2024 (518). Number of Patrol Hours, (1116). 6 Animal Complaint; 1 Assault & Battery; 56 Assist Other Depts.; 189 Assist Public; 29 B&E/Alarm; 2 B&E/Vehicle; 1 Child Abuse; 8 Disorderly Persons; 8 Domestic Assault; 5 Fraud; 4 Harassment & Threats; 3 Juvenile Matter; 4 Larceny; 3 MDOP; 1 Narcotics; 5 PI Traffic Crash; 31 PD Traffic Crash; 6 Retail Fraud; 1 Sex Offense; 1 Stolen Vehicle; 28 Suspicious Incidents; 126 Misc.: School Checks/Warrant Arrests/Follow-up/BOL, 911 Hang-ups, etc.; 148 Traffic Stops; 45 Tickets Issued.

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

**SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT, CONTINUED:**

Captain Pohl gave a brief update regarding In Service Training, Red Flag laws and a recent incident involving an individual who has been apprehended and arrested after smashing through department gates at both, the Sheriff's Department and City of Port Huron Police Department.

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

A resident asked about the Department's intention of following through with the Red Flag laws.

Captain Pohl assured the resident that the Department is required to follow through with the laws and work with the Courts and respective agencies.

Nick Prevost complimented the Sheriff's Department on the above mentioned incident with the response and radio communication.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Total runs for the month of January, 2024, (155).

Chief Fronimos discussed the Fire Department report and noted that the Department is looking into available Grants. He also discussed ISO rating, social media platforms and Fire Department marketing plan - October 5<sup>th</sup> Fire Department Open House.

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Total permits issued for the month of January, 2024 (11). 3 Residential Addition / Alteration/Repair (Val. 68,756); 1 Accessory Structure (Val. 10,500); 2 Fence (Val. 6,600); 1 Deck/Porch (Val. 36,500); 3 Commercial Addition/Alteration/Repair (Val. 274,600); 1 Sign (Val. 2,500) Total Valuation, \$ 399,456.00. Total Fees, \$ 3,475.00.

**PLUMBING/MECHANICAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT:** Total permits issued for the month of January, 2024 (13). 11 Mechanical (1,980.00); 2 Plumbing (385.00). Total Fees, \$ 2,365.00.

**ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Total permits issued for the month of January, 2024, (12). Total Fees, \$ 3,611.00.

**ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT:** Total Complaints for the month of January, 2024, (14). 2 Blight; 4 RV Storage/Parking; 2 Sheriff's Department; 6 Mics. Ordinance Violations. Total Hours, 13. Total Miles, 44.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Tri-Hospital EMS *From the President* Newsletter (2023, Fourth Quarter-Vol. 6, Issue 4)
2. BlueWave Solar, of Boston, Massachusetts, re: Ground Lease Opportunity for Solar Farm at 4731 Parker Road

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

**PUBLIC HEARING(S):** NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to adopt Ordinance No. 230, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FORT GRATIOT, REZONING PARCEL ID 74-20-016-2004 (VAC - CARRIGAN ROAD) AND PARCEL ID 74-20-016-2005-000 (VAC - CARRIGAN ROAD), FROM AG-AGRICULTURAL TO R2-TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Introduction approved 02/07/2024.  
\* Recommended approval by Planning Commission on 12/12/23; and St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission on 01/21/2024.

Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED. ORDINANCE NO. 230, ADOPTED.**

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

BOARD DISCUSSION:

- MTA Chapter Meeting, 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (Cost - \$35.00/person).
- Teleconference meeting with MDOT re: M-25 corridor regarding 10' wide, non-motorized walkway along M-25, from the canal to the intersection of M-25/Lakeshore Road, with pedestrian crosswalks at Wal-Mart & Meijer.
- Meeting with SEMCOG and Parks Department regarding suggestions for Road Safety Audit on M-25 corridor.
- April 2024 is a Grant opportunity to apply for assistance for a mobility plan for the Township.
- Meeting with Fort Gratiot Township, Fort Gratiot Little League and Port Huron Area School District regarding Lease and Operations Agreement to allow for the ability for Little League to apply for available Grants.
- Road Commission Annual Meeting update. State Road and Brace Road culvert replacement; and mini-roundabout at Krafft & State scheduled for 2025.
- February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary Election update with regard to Early Voting and Absentee Ballots.

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Angela Defrain regarding *Citizens for Local Choice* petition; and correspondence received from BlueWave Solar.

Unidentified resident regarding Krafft Road roundabout.

Unidentified resident regarding use of township property on Parker Road.

Fire Chief, Mike Fronimos regarding percentage of medical emergency responses.

Connie Neese regarding a post and chronolog station at top of sledding hill.

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to adjourn. Time, 7:35 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