MEMBERS PRESENT:

CRAWFORD, WELLS, BUECHLER, BRADLEY, KISH, BRUCKNER AND ARMBRUSTER

MEMBERS ABSENT:

NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

MIKE FRONIMOS, FIRE CHIEF

CONNIE NEESE, PARKS COMMISSION ROB MONTGOMERY, PARKS COMMISSION PATTI BUNDY, UTILITY BILLING CLERK

TRAVIS WOOLMAN, BRENT WOOLMAN, JOE STOLTZ AND JACOB PLATZER, FIRE DEPARTMENT

Motion by Kish, seconded by Wells, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

# CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

John Ternes regarding the condition of the North River Road Park Tennis Courts.

### 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	\$ 1,722,016.10
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 687,167.69
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 166,661.51
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$ 100,003.67
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$ -114,804.67
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 129,189.29
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$ 2,574,301.12
TOTAL	\$ 5,264,534.71
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$ 1,331,351.20
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 6,595,885.91

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to receive the Treasurer's Report, as given. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 6,595,885.91.

#### BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND	5	47,312.08
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	7,274.90
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$	7,815.16
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$	91,643.66
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$	0.00
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	0.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$	13,236.36
TOTAL	\$	167,282.16
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (MAINT. & IMP.)	\$	18,578.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$	185,860.16

Motion by Armbruster, seconded by Bradley, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 185,860.16.

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

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1. Letter, from Don Kotchman, Lakeshore Road, regarding the Times Herald article of May 18, 2024 and the City of Port Huron Manager, James Freed, discussion regarding the repair of the Tainter Gate water control mechanism.
- 2. Confirmation of receipt of Grant for Parker Road West Trail Development. (Grant RP23-007).
- 3. Communication, from Kenneth Cummings, Tri-Hospital EMS, regarding ambulance millage.

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

PUBLIC HEARING(S): NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. JAMES FREED, PORT HURON CITY MANAGER, PRESENTATION REGARDING THE CANAL AND THE TAINTER GATE REPAIRS POSTPONED UNTIL 06/19/2024, AS MR. FREED IS CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE.
- 2. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to approve the Fire Chiefs request to hire three (3) new Fire Department employees, Anna Marie Hayden, Paid-on-Call; and Christopher Bageris, Paid-on-Call (Part-Time Shift Work); and Ryan Moses, Paid-on Call (Part-Time Shift Work), effective immediately.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Currently at 17 On-Call Fire Fighters

Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED.

3. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve payment of \$7,537.54 for the annual dues renewal for Michigan Townships Association for the period 07/01/2024 to 06/30/2025.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Annual Dues \$7,318.00

\* Annual Legal Defense Fund contribution \$219.54

Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED.

4. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Wells, to approve payment for the replacement of four (4) signs, noted above, from the Township's General Fund Balance at a cost of \$7,487.82.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Two (2) four foot wide signs at Robert E. Crawford Ballfields on State Road;

One (1) six foot wide sign at the Pointe Community Center; and

One (1) eight foot wide sign at Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery & Columbarium

Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED.

5. Motion by Kish, seconded by Armbruster, to approve expending up to \$3,000.00 for the installation of a flagpole at the Robert E. Crawford Ballfields on State Road.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* 50% Match with Fort Gratiot Little League.

Any cost in excess of \$6,000.00 would be the responsibility of Little League.

Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED.

# **BOARD DISCUSSION:**

Pointe Community Center - Parking lot lines and the replacement of deck lights.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: NONE

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to adjourn. Time, 7:21 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