FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING -M N U. Т Ε S 08/07/2024 - 7:00 O'CLOCK P.M. - MUNICIPAL CENTER GARDENDALE MEETING ROOM PAGE 1 3720 KEEWAHDIN ROAD, FORT GRATIOT MI 48059

MEMBERS PRESENT: CRAWFORD, WELLS, BUECHLER, BRADLEY, KISH AND BRUCKNER MEMBERS ABSENT: ARMBRUSTER ALSO PRESENT: MIKE FRONIMOS, FIRE CHIEF JACOB PLATZER, NICK PREVOST, ADAM MARSH AND MARK VANDERFEYST, FIRE DEPARTMENT ROB MONTGOMERY AND CONNIE NEESE, PARKS COMMISSION PATTI BUNDY, UTILITY BILLING CLERK

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Minutes of the **REGULAR MEETING** of July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED**.

## CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: \*

Kim Eick regarding concerns with court size of playing area of Pickleball 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	\$	1,588,133.17
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	1,752,682.73
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$	410,482.41
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$	860,618.56
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND	\$	486,221.75
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	Ş	125,789.08
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$	2,846,615.90
TOTAL	\$	8,070,543.60
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$	1,293,998.30
GRAND TOTAL	\$	9,364,541.90

Motion by Kish, 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 \$ 9,364,541.90.

#### **BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:**

GENERAL FUND		102,351.65
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND		8,613.99
FIRE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND		7,815.16
POLICE PROTECTION FUND		95,195.66
TRASH / RECYCLING FUND		65,575.50
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND		0.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND		405,327.28
TOTAL	\$	684,879.24
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS (PARKS MILLAGE)	\$	1,500.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$	686,379.24

Motion by Bruckner, seconded by Bradley, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 6/0. MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 686,379.24.

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

# **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1. Communication from William Hazelton, St. Clair County Road Commission, regarding the Keewahdin Road (from Lakeshore Road to 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue [M-25]) proposed Pathway.
- 2. Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce Annual *Eggs & Issues Legislative Breakfast*, Friday, August 16. 2024 beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Double Tree by Hilton in Port Huron.

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

PUBLIC HEARING(S): NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

# NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. John Novak, Field Representative for Congresswoman, Lisa McLain, presented a Proclamation to the Fort Gratiot Fire Department for their assistance with recent battle of the industrial warehouse fire in Port Huron.
- 2. Motion by Kish, seconded by Wells, to approve the Fire Department request to hire Chandler Martin for the position of Part-Time Firefighter/EMT, at a rate of \$16.50 per hour/run.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: \* Dual Certification Personnel (Fire & EMT) on Probation Ninety (90) days to complete probation; then jump to \$18.12/hour but remain on 1-year probation.

Roll Call Vote, 6/0. MOTION PASSED.

3. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Fire Departments request 2024 Budget Amendments, totaling \$288,869.53, as noted below:

GENERAL	FIRE	FUND	1

GL#	Desc.	Amount
206-000-697-000	Use of Fund Balance	\$172,869.53
206-000-930-000	Radio Equipment & Access.	\$10,285.00
206-000-933-000	Repair & Maintenance Equip.	\$28,009.59
206-000-955-000	Misc.	\$107,014.94
206-000-956-000	Uniform Allowance	\$23,850.00
206-000-960-000	Education/Training	\$3,710.00
Total		\$172,869.53
CAPITAL IMPROVE	WENT FUND:	
403-000-697-000	Use of Fund Balance	\$116,000.00
403-000-970-000	Capital Outlay => \$5,000.00	\$116,000.00
Total		\$116,000.00
POINTS OF DISCUS	SION: * Includes parts, repairs & me	chanical work on two (2) engines and Tower L

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\* The need to have ability to access Township trails, parks and pathways for medical emergencies and/or fires.

Roll Call Vote, 5/1, Kish voting no. MOTION PASSED.

# BOARD DISCUSSION:

- August 6, 2024 Primary Election update.
- Status of construction of Pickleball Courts.
- Trail construction.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

NONE

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to adjourn. Time, 7:55 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

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