

MEMBERS PRESENT: BALDWIN, REYNOLDS, CRAWFORD, BRALEY, KISH, BRUCKNER AND KELLY
 MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE
 ALSO PRESENT: PAT SMITH, FIRE CHIEF
 BILL SHAGENA, ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER & LISA SHAGENA, ASSISTANT ASSESSOR

Motion by Kelly, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of August 6th, 2014, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. MOTION PASSED.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: *

Doug Touma, regarding use of Ball Fields. Wants ball field for 13 year olds. Requested the Township to modify Field No. 5 (50'/70') for 13 year olds to play, 22 games a season; 11 home games a year. Consideration of kids over adults. Needs to know before the end of October, 2014.

Keith Delong explained the portable pitching mound.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

GENERAL FUND	\$	861,692.05
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	382,259.10
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$	380,896.64
TRASH/RECYCLING FUND	\$	232,129.12
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	95,249.82
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$	789,124.01
TOTAL	\$	2,741,350.74
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$	5,409,990.49
GENERAL INVESTMENTS	\$	304,381.14
MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT	\$	251,510.34
UTILITY RECEIVING MONEY MARKET	\$	172,039.59
UTILITY BOND MONEY MARKET	\$	42,765.91
GRAND TOTAL	\$	8,922,038.21

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to receive the Treasurer's Report, as given. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 8,922,038.21.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND	\$	9,572.40
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	7,715.71
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$	55,366.14
TRASH/RECYCLING FUND	\$	0.00
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	0.00
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$	3,042.87
TOTAL	\$	75,697.12
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$	445,481.58
(Municipal Bldg.)	\$	
(Utility Maint. & Imp.)	\$	200.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$	521,378.70

Motion by Kelly, seconded by Bruckner, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. MOTION PASSED. BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 521,378.70.

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

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT: Given by representative of Sheriff Department: Sargent Hernandez.

Total Calls for Service for the month of July, 2014, (490). Number of Patrol Hours, (972.5). 26 Animal Complaint; 2 Assault & Battery; 17 Assist Other Depts.; 53 Assist Public; 7 B&E/Building; 40 B&E/Alarm; 4 B&E/Vehicle; 2 Child Abuse/Neglect; 4 Disorderly Persons; 19 Domestic Assault; 7 Fraud; 10 Harassment & Threats; 11 Juvenile; 13 Larceny; 8 MDOP; 1 Narcotics; 5 PI Traffic Crash; 30 PD Traffic Crash; 22 Retail Fraud; 40 Suspicious Incidents; 5 Trespasser; 164 Misc. Warrant Arrests/Follow-up/BOL, 911 Hangups, etc...; 141 Traffic Stops; 82 Tickets Issued; 30 Township Tickets Issued.

Stone Garden Grant was approved and that program will be starting up soon, giving the Township an additional car.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Total runs for the month of July, 2014, (116). Fort Gratiot Township: 61 Medical Emergencies; 9 Alarm/Fire; 2 Wire Down/Arcing; 9 Fire/Misc.; 6 Personal Injury Accidents; 2 Mutual Aid; 11 Overtime Calls. Clyde Township: 13 Medical Emergencies; 1 Wires Down/Arcing; 1 Fire/Misc.; 1 Personal Injury Accident. Total Personnel, 1,110. Total Cost, \$ 20,887.50.

Chief Smith stated the Township Fire Department has received their ISO Rating. The rating is from 1 - 10, with 1 being the best. Fort Gratiot Township went from a 05/09 to 04/04Y. This should help in decreasing homeowners insurance for Township residents. Mr. Smith explained the ISO rating system.

PLUMBING/MECHANICAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT: Total permits issued for the month of July 2014, (15). 10 Mechanical; 5 Plumbing. Total Fees, \$ 2,886.00.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Total permits issued for the month of July, 2014, (21). 8 Residential Addition / Alteration/Repair (Val. \$57,068); 2 Residential Accessory Structure (Val. \$35,300); 1 Deck/Porch; 2 Pools (Val. \$35,240); 1 Misc. Zoning Compliance Permit; 3 Commercial Addition/Alteration/Repair (Val. \$325,500). Total Valuation, \$ 453,108.00. Total Fees, \$ 4,228.00.

ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT REPORT: Total permits issued for the month of July, 2014, (11). Total Fees, \$ 2,574.00.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT: Total complaints in the month of July, 2014, (23). 5 Blight; 12 High Grass/Noxious Weeds; 2 RV Storage/Parking; 3 Unlicensed Vehicles; 1 Misc. Ordinance Violation.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. State of Michigan Returnable Liquor License Fee remittance to Fort Gratiot Township in the amount of \$ 8,457.90.
2. Comcast Franchise Fee remittance to Fort Gratiot Township in the amount of \$ 40,833.70.

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Kelly, to accept report(s) and correspondence, as given. Vote, Unanimous.
MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC HEARING, CONTINUED: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Kish, seconded by Reynolds, to approve sending Todd Thibodeau and Tyler Peters to the Michigan Rural Water Association's *Heavy Equipment Operations & Accident Prevention Course* on September 3, 2014, in Lansing, at a cost of \$255.00 per person, plus expenses.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * Classes offered through the International Union of Operating Engineers.

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

NEW BUSINESS, CONTINUED:

2. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Reynolds, to approve the Fire Departments request and appoint Steve Goudy to the Fire Department as a Probationary Member.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * Mr. Goudy was present an introduced to the Township Board.
* Mr. Goudy will be sent to the FF1/FF2 Course in September, sponsored by the St. Clair County Chief's Association.
* Fire Department Membership has unanimously approved recommending Probationary Membership to Mr. Goudy.

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

3. Motion by Baldwin, seconded by Bradley, to approve the purchase of an Emergency Power Generator, for the new Municipal Office Center, at a cost of \$115,750.00, installed.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * Pulled from Contract in the hopes of receiving a Grant for the generator; the Grant was not approved.
* Bids received from: Diversified Power = \$115,750.00
 GenPower = \$118,050.00
 Ainsworth Electric = \$128,500.00
 J. Ranck Electric = \$169,143.00
* Automatic Transfer Switch (ATS) and Annunciator Panel
* Warranty
* Change Order required to place Generator back into Building Contract

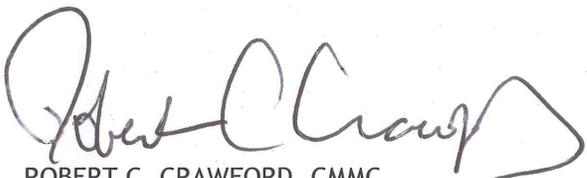
Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: NONE

BOARD DISCUSSION:

- DUEWAIN GRAGOWSKI, former DPW Superintendent, passed away last week. Also, condolences to Treasurer Reynolds and her family, on the passing of her Mother in Law.

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to adjourn. Time, 7:40 o'clock p.m. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED.**



ROBERT C. CRAWFORD, CMMC
FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP

JORJA BALDWIN, SUPERVISOR
FORT GRATIOT CHARTER TOWNSHIP