

MEMBERS PRESENT: BALDWIN, REYNOLDS, CRAWFORD, BRADLEY, KISH, BRUCKNER AND MONTGOMERY
 MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE
 ALSO PRESENT: LISA SHAGENA, ASSESSOR
 BILL SHAGENA, ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING of April 19th, 2017, as printed and posted. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: * NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Reynold, seconded by Bradley, to approve the Agenda, as printed. Vote, Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

GENERAL FUND	\$	<u>1,599,744.03</u>
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	<u>10,396.72</u>
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$	<u>534,878.36</u>
TRASH/RECYCLING FUND	\$	<u>57,021.02</u>
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	<u>12,671.99</u>
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$	<u>1,730,965.76</u>
TOTAL	\$	<u>3,945,677.88</u>
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS	\$	<u>499,261.89</u>
UTILITY BOND MONEY MARKET	\$	<u>42,821.37</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$	<u>4,487,761.14</u>

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Montgomery, to receive the Treasurer's Report, as given. Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED. TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 4,487,761.14.**

BILLS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND	\$	<u>8,859.91</u>
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	<u>4,667.41</u>
POLICE PROTECTION FUND	\$	<u>0.00</u>
TRASH/RECYCLING FUND	\$	<u>48,328.48</u>
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$	<u>20.00</u>
UTILITY RECEIVING FUND	\$	<u>255,231.29</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$	<u>317,107.09</u>

Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to pay bills, as presented. Roll Call Vote, 7/0C.

BILLS APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. State of Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (Liquor Control Commission) regarding application, from Sunrise Stores, LLC at 4664 24th. Avenue, Fort Gratiot (dba: BP/Sunrise Store), for new SDM License issued under MCL 436.1533(7); New Sunday Sales Permit (AM); New Gas Pumps to be issued under MCL 436.1541(6).

Supervisor Baldwin is sending a letter of opposition to allowing gas stations to sell liquor, due to the negative impact on already existing small businesses/convenience stores.

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

PUBLIC HEARING, CONTINUED: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Bradley, seconded by Montgomery, to approve the Assessor's request to add a second (2nd) Assessing Department Seasonal Field Assistant, at a pay rate of \$10.00/hour, not to exceed 28 hours per week depending on weather and needs of the Assessing Department.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * First position was approved at 04/05/2017 Board Meeting.
* Two applications were received for this position and, after reviewing the situation, there is funds available in the budget to support the 2nd position.
* Job Description was approved 09/08/2016.

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

2. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to approve hiring Joshua Loshaw and Courtney Baunoch, for the position of *Seasonal Field Assistant*, at a rate of \$10.00 per hour, not to exceed 28 hours per week, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday depending on weather and the needs of the Assessing Department, effective Monday, May 8th, 2017.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * These positions ensure that we keep up with the 20% inspection rate expected of by the State.
* Job Description for this position was approved 05/08/2016.

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

3. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bradley, to approve hiring Stephen Jones for the position of *Seasonal Part-Time Assessing Department Clerk*, at a rate of \$11.00 per hour, not to exceed 28 hours per week, beginning Monday, May 8th, 2017.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * This position ensure that we keep up with the 20% inspection rate expected of by the State.
* Job Description for this position was approved 09/08/2016.

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

4. Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Crawford, to approve the DPW Superintendent's request to allow Jeff Parent to attend the MRWA *Supervisory Training for Water Personnel* in Linden, Michigan on May 18th, 2017, at a cost of \$175.00, plus expenses.

POINTS OF DISCUSSION: * Continuing education requirements need to renew S2 License, which is due to expire in July, 2017.

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

5. Motion by Kish, seconded by Bruckner, to adopt the *Electronic Device Policy* (POLICY NO. 9), effective May 3rd, 2017.
Roll Call Vote, 7/0. **MOTION PASSED.**

BOARD DISCUSSION:

- Request to purchase BS&A Business License Software at next meeting
- Personnel Committee
- Dog Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Saturday May 6, 2017 at 11 a.m., rain or shine. Pet Safe will be here.
- Little League Opening Day Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- Blue Water Chamber Gala - 100th Anniversary, May 19, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Blue Water Convention Center.
- Attended AT&T Store Grand Re-Opening in the Birchwood Mall, today.
- Cruise Night - June 23rd. / Fireworks - June 24th.
- Thanked George for the tile repair in the Municipal Office Center lobby.
- Purse left at Dog Park was turned over to the Sheriff's Deputy tonight.
- Vandalism at the Fort Gratiot Pond Park, destroying the porta-pot. Looking into video camera surveillance.
- Clerk attended Free Education Day, sponsored by Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks (MAMC) in Mt. Pleasant.

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Mr. Mylar referred to development of wind farms and asked if the Township has considered any regulations.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding alternative energy.

Bill Shagena, Ordinance Enforcement Officer, spoke regarding graffiti in the Township.

Motion by Reynolds, seconded by Bradley, to adjourn. Time, 7:57 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

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