

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
October 26, 2021

Supervisor Chuck Korn called the Town Board Meeting to order at the Garfield Township Hall on October 26, 2021 at 6:02p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board Members

Present: Denise Schmuckal, Chris Barsheff, Molly Agostinelli, Chloe Macomber, and Chuck Korn

Absent and Excused: Steve Duell, Lanie McManus

1. Public Comment (6:03)

None

2. Review and Approval of the Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:02)

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Barsheff, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

3. Consent Calendar (6:03)

a. Minutes

September 28, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
September 29, 2021 and October 6, 2021 Special Meetings
(Recommend Approval)

b. Bills

(i) General Fund \$892,593.04
(Recommend Approval)

(ii) Gourdie-Fraser
Developer's Escrow Fund – Utility Plan
Review, Oversight & Closeout \$ 2,350.00
Utility Receiving Fund \$ 1,852.50
Park Funds/DNR Trust Fund 1,600.00

Total \$ 5,802.50

(Recommend Approval)

- c. **MTT Update (Receive and File)**
- d. **Proposed new private street name of Moon Drive located on the east side of N. Garfield Road, south of Spring Hill (Recommend Approval)**

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Macomber, Korn
Nays: None*

4. **Items Removed from the Consent Calendar**

None

5. **Correspondence (6:05)**

- a. Grand Traverse Conservation District September 2021 Report

6. **Reports**

a. **Construction Report (6:06)**

Township Engineer Jennifer Hodges stated that the Cedar Run PRV is being prepped and these PRV replacements will greatly help with water service on the northwest side of the township. The Cass Road Drain project is officially done and Grand Traverse Construction is gathering materials for the township roofing project. The River East parking lot is in and footings are being poured for the pavilion.

b. **Sheriff's Report (6:11)**

Lt. Oosse reported on September statistics in the township. Deputies are going into the schools once again. The Sheriff's Department completed some training with the Railroad Police and car seat checks will be happening once again.

c. **GT Metro Fire Department Report (6:14)**

Chief of Operations Tony Posey said two people were hired and are attending fire school. There have been 791 training hours in September and fire prevention activities took place in schools. In September, there were 521 calls in total for the region and 374 of those came from Garfield Township.

d. **MMR Report (6:20)**

Paul Owens, MMR Manager, reported 314 calls in the month of September in Garfield Township. The report was discussed as presented and board members narrowed down what information they wanted to see each month. He introduced Amy Fairchild who is in charge of staffing and scheduling. She talked about staffing at Stations 11 and 12.

- e. **County Commissioner's Report (6:31)**
No Report
- f. **Planning Department Report for October – PD 2021-130 (6:31)**
Planning Director John Sych commented on his report which included details about the South 22 SUP, The BATA/TCHC development, Marengo 31 SUP and others. He also reviewed what other Planning Commission activities and added that a Guide to development has been placed on the website.
- g. **Parks & Rec Report (6:46)**
The Parks and Recreation report was submitted in writing.
- h. **Treasurer's Report (6:48)**
Macomber updated board members on the fluctuations in the general fund.
- i. **Clerk's Report (6:50)**
The Clerk's report was submitted in writing.
- j. **Personnel Report – Consideration of hiring Mike Steffes for temporary GIS position (6:50)**
Korn discussed this proposed part time position. The Personnel Committee will meet to discuss the position as well as a temporary fill-in for Bill Mouser's position.
- k. **Supervisor's Report (6:55)**
Supervisor Korn reported that he met with the Watershed Center regarding the Marengo 31 property and a compromise was reached. He attended a meeting with Blair Township and met with Long Lake Township regarding a proposed water hookup. The township hall cleaning crew has been replaced.

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to agree with Korn's decision to replace the cleaning people with Contemporary Cleaners.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Macomber, Agostinelli, Korn
Nays: None*

He has had complaints regarding the GFL garbage haulers and asked the board to consider changing to a single hauler in the township.

7. **Unfinished Business**
None

8. New Business

- a. Consideration of Resolution 2021-32-T, a resolution to submit a Michigan Township Participating Plan Risk Reduction Grant program application (7:05)**

Agostinelli moved and Barsheff seconded to adopt Resolution 2021-32-T, a resolution to submit a Michigan Township Participating Plan Risk Reduction Grant program application.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Barsheff, Macomber, Schmuckal, Korn

Nays: None

- b. PD 2021-136 – Consideration of applying for the MSU Urban and Regional Planning Practicum project (7:07)**

Planner Sych said that this project would help update the non-motorized plan within the township by using university students from the MSU Urban Planning program.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to recommend submittal of the application for the Michigan State University Urban and Regional Planning Practicum project, as attached to Planning Department Report PD 2021-136.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Macomber, Barsheff, Korn

Nays: None

- c. PD 2021-135 - Consideration of proposed street names in the Village of LaFranier Woods PUD (7:11)**

Barsheff moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve the proposed street names in the Village of LaFranier Woods as presented.

Yeas: Barsheff, Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

- d. Highlighted list of Board Appointments expiring December 31, 2021 (7:13)**

A list of expiring terms was included in packets for informational purposes.

10. Public Comment: (7:15)

None

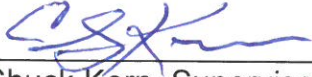
11. Other Business (7:15)

Barsheff mentioned upcoming developments and how they may tax the public infrastructure.

Board members discussed housing in the region in light of an upcoming housing discussion at the Planning Commission level.

12. **Adjournment**

Korn adjourned the meeting at 7:31pm.



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