

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
December 12, 2017**

Supervisor Korn called the Town Board Meeting to order on December 13, 2017 at 6:01p.m. at the Garfield Township Hall, 3848 Veterans Drive, Traverse City, Michigan.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board Members

Present: Denise Schmuckal, Dan Walters, Jeane Blood Law, Steve Duell, Lanie McManus, Molly Agostinelli, and Chuck Korn

1. Public Comment (6:01)

None

2. Review and Approval of the Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:01)

Korn added Fire Prevention Ordinance as agenda item 7.a., 2018 Committee Appointments under the Supervisor's Report and a closed session to review an Attorney Opinion under Other Business.

Blood Law moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve the agenda as amended.

Yeas: Blood Law, Schmuckal, Walters, Agostinelli, Walters, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

3. Consent Calendar (6:02)

a. Minutes

November 28, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes (Recommend Approval)

b. Bills

General Fund	\$57,493.02
Gourdie-Fraser	
Developer's Escrow Fund	\$ 3,322.50
Utility Receiving Fund	<u>21,050.00</u>
Total	\$ 24,372.50

(Recommend Approval)

c. Town Board Meeting Dates for 2018 (Recommend Approval)

d. Ordinance No. 13 Amendment No. 36 an Ordinance to provide for the

operation and maintenance of the Grand Traverse County Sewage Disposal System No. 4 (Garfield Township) on a public utility basis under the provisions of act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended – Introduce and schedule for public hearing on December 21, 2017 (Recommend Approval)

- e. **Ordinance Amendment No. 40 and Ordinance to provide for the operation and maintenance of the Grand Traverse County Water Supply System No. 1 (Garfield Township) on a public utility basis under the provisions of Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended – Introduce and schedule for public hearing on December 21, 2017 (Recommend Approval)**
- f. **PD Report 2017-17 – Serra Works of Traverse City, LLC Special Meeting Schedule Public Hearing for December 21, 2017. (Recommend Approval)**

Duell moved and Walters supported to approve the consent calendar as presented.

*Yeas: Duell, Walters, Blood Law, Agostinelli, Schmuckal, McManus, Korn
Nays: None*

4. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar (6:08)

- a. **None**

5. Correspondence (6:08)

- a. **Grand Traverse Conservation District – November 2017 Report**

6. Reports

- a. **Sheriff's Report (6:08)**

Deputy Chris Barsheff reported that 42% of total calls were from Garfield Township but overall, criminal complaints were down. The Sheriff's department worked to kick off the Toys for Tots campaign at the Great Wolf Lodge and they will be teaching Coast Guard personnel how to drive in the snow. He reviewed some recent criminal cases with Trustees and said he was involved in the missing person case in Skegemog Lake.

- b. **County Commissioner's Report (6:16)**

No report

- c. **Clerk's Report (6:16)**

McManus said her report was submitted in writing.

- d. **Supervisor's Report (6:17)**

Korn reported that TART was approved for two DNR trust fund grants for the Boardman Lake Trail loop and he estimates that \$4.7 million has been received for the project thus far. The Township closed on the avigation easement and

received the money which was placed into the Parks and Recreation Fund to help pay for improvements to that piece of property. Korn said he attended a meeting regarding e-bikes which are a certain type of quiet low speed bike which may be legal on some trails unless municipalities opt out. Enforcement agencies would like all entities in the area to adopt the same ordinance regarding e-bikes and discussion will take place in the near future. Korn then turned to open committee appointments. Duell and Blood Law both applied to serve on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals and each spoke to their strengths and reasons for wanting to serve on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Walters moved and Schmuckal seconded to reappoint Steve Duell to the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Yeas: Walters, Schmuckal, McManus, Agostinelli, Duell, Korn

Nays: Blood Law

Korn and McManus will continue to serve on the Grand Traverse County Commission as Representatives from Garfield Township and Korn will serve along with Eric Perdonick as Garfield Township representatives on the Grand Traverse County Road Commission.

Korn said that the Grand Traverse Metro Board consists of himself and one other trustee as well as an alternate. Blood Law stated that she would like to be the second alternate. Walters and McManus talked about their reasons for wanting to serve on the Metro Board.

Blood Law moved and Korn seconded to reappoint McManus to the Grand Traverse Metro Board.

Yeas: Blood Law, Korn, McManus

Nays: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Duell, Walters

The motion failed.

Duell moved and Agostinelli seconded to appoint Walters to the Grand Traverse Metro Board.

Yeas: Duell, Agostinelli, Walters, Schmuckal, Korn

Nays: McManus, Blood Law.

Schmuckal moved and Duell seconded to appoint Blood Law as the first alternate since McManus withdrew her bid.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, McManus, Walters, Blood Law, Korn
Nays: None

There is one opening on the Parks and Recreation Commission since Schmuckal is the Board representative. Alisa Korn and James Guilmet are vying for the open position on the Parks and Recreation Commission and both Planner Rob Larrea and Parks and Rec Chair Chris Remy recommend that Alisa Korn be reappointed.

After discussion, McManus moved and Blood Law seconded to reappoint Alisa Korn to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Yeas: McManus, Blood Law, Korn
Nays: Duell, Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Walters

The motion failed.

Agostinelli moved and Duell supported to appoint Jim Guilmet to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Duell, Walters, Schmuckal, Korn
Nays: McManus, Blood Law

The Building Code of Appeals will keep all its members and the Personnel Committee will remain with the same members since Walters withdrew his application. Building and Grounds, Election Committee, Law Enforcement and Northern Nexus Committees will all remain the same.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Fire Prevention Ordinance (6:59)

Lt. Brian Belcher spoke to trustees and reviewed the changes in the Ordinance. This new ordinance replaces and updates the existing Ordinance from 2015. Belcher explained that most tents will no longer need approval from Metro.

Schmuckal moved and Walters seconded to adopt the Charter Township of Garfield Fire Prevention Ordinance.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Walters, Agostinelli, Blood Law, Duell, McManus, Korn
Nays: None

8. New Business

a. Discussion regarding PILOT application for Aspen Hills Apartments at 1291 Oak Terrace Drive (7:06)

The apartments need to be remodeled and owners are asking for a PILOT to do so. Blood Law said that the PILOT ordinance was last amended in 2009 and the ordinance should be reviewed and possibly updated before a decision on this PILOT is rendered. Board members requested to confer with Amy DeHaan, Assessor and the Supervisor to review the present ordinance with an attorney.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to postpone action on this agenda item.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, McManus, Duell, Walters, Blood Law, Korn

Nays: None

9. Public Comment: (7:17)

None

10. Other Business (7:09)

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to go into closed session at 7:18pm to discuss an attorney opinion.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Blood Law, Duell, Walters, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

Korn called the meeting back to order at 7:53pm.

Board members asked for clarification on what is a budget vote that requires one vote from each township and to not accept the new leases as currently presented and to follow the attorney's recommendation in the matter.

11. Adjournment

Korn moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.



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