

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD**  
**TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**July 25, 2017**

Supervisor Chuck Korn called the Town Board Meeting to order on July 25, 2017 at 6:02 p.m. at the Garfield Township Hall, 3848 Veterans Drive, Traverse City, Michigan.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll call of Board Members**

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

Staff Present: Erik Perdonik

**1. Public Comment (6:02)**  
None

**2. Review and Approval of the Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:02)**  
Walters asked to add Ridgeview Road Discussion under Unfinished Business item a.  
*Agostinelli moved and Blood Law seconded to approve the agenda as amended.*  
  
*Yeas: Agostinelli, Blood Law, Schmuckal, Duell, McManus, Walters, Korn*  
*Nays: None*

**3. Consent Calendar (6:03)**

- a. Minutes**  
July 11, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes (Recommend Approval)
- b. Bills**

General Fund	\$ 76,290.66
(Recommend Approval)	
- c. Construction Pay Application No, 3 for Oak Terrace Drive – D.J, McQuestion & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$14,658.45 (Recommend Approval)**
- d. Liquor License for Fuji Sushi Steak House, Inc. at 2576 Crossing Circle, Unit 150, Traverse City, MI 49684 (Receive and File)**
- e. PD 2017-67 Midwest MFD, LLC rezoning of 30 acres of land at the northwest corner of Hammond Road from A Agricultural district to R-3 Multi-Family Residential district, without restriction (Recommend Approval)**



c. **GT Metro Fire Report (6:22)**

Lt. Steve Apostle reported that there has been an increase in car crashes needing extrication and mentioned some of the highlights on his written report. Blood Law asked about a number for lift assists and next month, he will provide those stats.

d. **Northflight EMS Report**

No report

e. **County Commissioner's Report (6:31)**

Commissioner Cheryl Gore Follett said they will meet tomorrow night regarding a lease on the PACE building. An offer has been made for the County Administrator position, but a 5 year old felony for which the person was acquitted may cause a problem.

f. **Treasurer's Report (6:37)**

Blood Law reviewed the Treasurer's Report and pointed out transfers to the board. She said that state revenue sharing last quarter increased by 4%.

g. **Clerk's Report (6:39)**

McManus said that she and the Deputy Clerk attended a MTA Clerk's retreat and obtained lots of good information. On August 5th and 6th there is a trustees MTA retreat and board members can pick up brochures from her if they are interested in attending.

h. **Supervisor's Report (6:42)**

Korn reported that he has two out of three proposals on the audio/visual system in the meeting room and when he receives the third proposal he will call a meeting of the Building Committee to make a recommendation to the Board. He received a timeline from DM tanks and the new water tank should be up and running in October, but depending on the weather, it may not be painted. He also met John DiVosso and a consultant on a water rate study since the City is raising its water costs. The Township may be switching to a ready to serve option where residents will be charged for the water they use.

7. **Unfinished Business**

a. **Ridgeview Road**

Board members revisited the matter of a Ridgeview Road SAD. They agreed that there is a policy in place to get an SAD started and they want to ensure that residents are in agreement about the road before and money is spent for an estimate or engineering costs. Korn said the initial estimate would cost \$1,000. Board members were worried that a precedent may be set in this case because many others with bad roads were not given an option to fix their roads. The Township Ethics committee is meeting and the Board will handle business differently in the

future. Board members agreed that it made sense to give residents as much information as possible when asking them to sign any petition to fix the road. An estimate may be the only way to do so.

*Walters moved and Duell seconded to allow Engineer Jennifer Hodges gather a pro bono estimate on an approximate cost for fixing Ridgeview Road.*

*Yeas: Walters, Duell, Blood Law, McManus, Korn*

*Nays: Agostinelli*

**8. New Business**

**a. Consideration of Resolution 2017-17-T, a resolution to amend the budget (7:07)**

*Duell moved and Schmuckal seconded to adopt Resolution 2017-17-T to increase the cost center Parks and Recreation Salaries (308-000-701.308) by \$4,200 and take it from Parks Fund Balance.*

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

*Nays: Blood Law, Agostiinelli*

**b. PD 2017-59 PRC Recommendation on Silver Lake Boat Launch No Wake Zone (7:11)**

Deputy Planner Perdonik said that a resident asked about establishing a "no wake zone" in the vicinity of the Silver Lake Boat Launch. He has secured the support of neighboring residents. If approved by the Township Board, the proposal goes to the DNR for further research.

*Schmuckal moved and Blood Law seconded to schedule a public hearing on August 8, 2017 for consideration of a Local Watercraft Control Ordinance.*

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

*Nays: None*

**c. PD 2017-61 YMCA Lease agreement for Boardman River Property (7:14)**

Jay Buckmaster CEO of YMCA said they would like to renew the lease for three years. The YMCA would like to make improvements and then pursue at a much longer lease.

*Walters moved and Schmuckal seconded to defer a decision on the YMCA Lease agreement until review of the original lease in its entirety can be reviewed by board members.*

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

*Nays: None*

**d. PD-2017-62 Runway 10 Avigation Easement (7:19)**

Attorney Karrie Zeits with Smith Haughey representing the airport, discussed obstructions in the proposed easement. She said that an appraiser will determine the value of the small park now and then again after the avigation easement is completed. The difference between the two will be the good faith offer to the township. She added that the value of any replacement trees could be added into any offer. Zeits is asking for a person or persons to represent the township on the negotiations on the property.

Board members asked questions regarding the removal of the trees on the .21 acre parcel.

*Duell moved and McManus seconded that the Supervisor, Dan Walters and Denise Schmuckal negotiate with the representatives of Cherry Capital Airport for tree removal and an avigation easement in "Park A" located in Gladewood Place Plat.*

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

**e. PD 2017-63 BVNP Construction Services (7:38)**

Deputy Planner Perdonik said that bids for the project at the Boardman Valley Nature Preserve need to be broken up since they cannot get an affordable bid for the whole project at once. The project is now broken into phases and Gourdie Fraser will do the construction administration and Prein & Newhof will handle the bidding and coordinating with grantors and grantees. Overall there will be a cost savings of approximately \$4,000.

*Agostinelli moved and McManus seconded to approve the Prein & Newhof proposal for \$8,300 for completion of the Boardman Valley Nature Preserve project.*

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

*Schmuckal moved and Walters seconded to approve the proposal for construction services for GFA for \$6,900 to complete the Boardman Valley Nature Preserve project.*

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

9. **Public Comment: (7:43)**

None

10. **Other Business (7:43)**

Blood Law asked about the assessor's position and was told that the qualified person turned down the position. Board members agreed that salaries should be studied for the next budget year.

11. **Adjournment**

*Korn adjourned the meeting at 7:46pm.*




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