

**CARROLLTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEPARTMENTAL MEETING
Monday, August 12, 2013**

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Supervisor Kozara	Present
	Clerk Fritz	Present
	Treasurer Riley	Present
	Trustee Dudek	Present
	Trustee Loperena	Present

There being a full board, Supervisor Kozara called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Also in attendance: Director Craig Oatten and Office Manager Megan Weaver.

Supervisor Kozara called for a moment of silence in memory of John “Jack” Dalton who had passed away August 7, 2013. Jack Dalton held the position of Carrollton Township Trustee for two terms - 1992-1996 and 2000-2004.

Acceptance of Agenda:

It was board consensus to accept the agenda as presented.

Public Comments:

Cathy Henderson, 4911 N. Michigan #2, explained to the board members that she had received a water/sewer bill back in November, 2012 for an excessive amount of usage (286,000 gallons). She felt that the billing was incorrect as there were no leaks found when the DPW came to her home in December. Ms. Henderson further explained that the front office had kindly created an extended payment arrangement to assist her in paying the high bill (\$2,750.53); however, due to her illness, she is having trouble keeping up with the pay plan. Discussion followed.

Weaver explained that the Township had read Ms. Henderson’s meter on October 22, 2012 and she was notified immediately of the high reading. On November 22, 2012, the DPW did a check for leaks and it was noted on the work order that there was a “very bad leak in toilet”. Ms. Henderson denied that the DPW found a leaky toilet and she questioned how her usage went back to normal the following billing period if she did not fix or replace a toilet. Weaver explained that the water had gone through the meter and nothing on the account showed otherwise. Also, the usage had been continually increasing in the six months leading up to the excessive bill in November which is very common when a leak has developed. Per Township ordinance, all metered water must be paid for and if Ms. Henderson needed to adjust her payment plan to better fit her budget, the Township would be willing to do so. Discussion followed.

Chuck Stack, Saginaw County Commissioner, 5708 Venoy, updated the board members on the recent budget talks at the County level. Discussion followed.

New Business:

Fritz gave a brief summary of the two applicants that were interviewed for the Planning Commission vacancy. It was moved by Fritz and supported by Dudek to appoint Neil Frank to the Planning Commission to fill a vacant position with a term expiring 12/31/13. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Kozara noted that the other applicant, Mr. Charles Pappas, also had a lot to offer and he planned to ask him to assist with the development of the Township's Recreation Plan in the near future.

Oatten presented a proposed emergency fire services mutual aid agreement for all Saginaw County fire departments. He explained that it was essentially the same agreement that is in place currently; however, new signatures were needed. Discussion followed.

It was moved by Riley and supported by Dudek to adopt Resolution #2013-28 adopting the Saginaw County Emergency Services Mutual Aid Agreement (copy attached).

Roll call:	Loperena	Yes
	Fritz	Yes
	Kozara	Yes
	Riley	Yes
	Dudek	Yes

There being all ayes, the resolution was declared adopted.

It was moved by Kozara and supported by Loperena to adopt the Proclamation for Justin R. Blue, Scout Troop 377, congratulating and commending him for his attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout to be awarded on August 18, 2013 (copy attached). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Public Comments:

Rose King, 3427 N. Michigan, asked several questions regarding fence permits and guidelines. Discussion followed.

Director Comments:

Oatten informed the board that he had met with John Olson from Spicer Group in regards to the upcoming proposal for the S.A.W. (Storm water, Asset Management, and Wastewater) grant opportunity. He would bring further information to the board as it was available.

Oatten stated that both he and Weaver had met with Rob Eggers from Spicer Group to begin the preparation of the Recreation Plan that will allow the Township to be eligible for future DNR grant opportunities – mainly the possibility of linking to the Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail system. Discussion followed.

Board Comments:

Fritz discussed the proposed Universal Drain special assessment. He had met with Drain Commissioner Wendling the previous week and he explained that this was a one-time assessment that would appear on the winter tax bill for the 4,712 parcels that drain into the Universal Drain. The average assessment amount would range from \$0.64 to \$1.70. Discussion followed.

Loperena informed the board that Carrollton Public Schools had hired a new athletic director.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Dudek and supported by Loperena to adjourn. There being all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry W. Fritz, Clerk

Public in attendance:

Rose King	3427 N. Michigan
Cathy Henderson	4911 N. Michigan #2
Chuck Stack	5708 Venoy