

**CARROLLTON TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, February 29, 2016**

<b><u>Roll Call:</u></b>	Supervisor Kozara	Present
	Clerk Fritz	Present
	Treasurer Petrowski	Present
	Trustee Dudek	Present
	Trustee Douglas	Present

There being a full board, Supervisor Kozara called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Also in attendance: Director Craig Oatten, Office Manager Megan Weaver, Fire Chief Tom Czerniak and DPW Superintendent Mark Pilkington.

**Acceptance of Agenda:**

It was board consensus to approve the agenda as presented.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:**

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Dudek to approve minutes for: January 25, 2016 – regular meeting. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

It was moved by Petrowski and supported by Dudek to receive and file the correspondence as listed for February 2016. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

**Accounts Payable:**

It was moved by Petrowski and supported by Douglas to approve the February Accounts Payable for the amount of \$430,441.67. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

**Committee/Commission/Board Reports:**

Fire Chief Czerniak presented his report to the board. He stated that the department was down to 11 firefighters, which is the lowest count since he had been employed with the Township. Much discussion was held on the decline in personnel, the time commitment and training requirements that are expected of new applicants, and the fact that other fire departments within Saginaw County are experiencing the same decline in personnel.

Police Chief Oatten presented his report to the board. Discussion was held on the mutual aid agreement between neighboring departments.

Fritz questioned the status of the code complaints for the house on the corner of Hickory and Monroe streets. Czerniak stated (for the record) that he would answer the question; however, he was attending the meeting as the fire chief and wanted it known that he was only willing to address questions related to the Fire Department. Czerniak went on and informed the board that the blight issue that Fritz questioned had been addressed, tickets had been issued, and progress was being made. Discussion followed.

Fritz informed Czerniak that he was expected to answer any and all questions that the board may have for him, no matter what department the question was related to.

D.P.W. Superintendent Mark Pilkington presented his report to the board members. Discussion was held on the progress with Consumers Energy reference the road-side banners. Pilkington stated that all of the hardware used to hang the banners was approved by Consumers Energy and the pole locations needed to be approved as well. Office Manager Weaver suggested that the board approve the payment to Consumers Energy outside of a regular accounts payable run so that there were no time constraints in getting the banners installed. Discussion followed.

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Petrowski to approve a special check to Consumers Energy for the engineering fees and pole rental fees for the new banners once all approvals had been made. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

#### **New Business:**

Oatten presented the proposed agreement for services with Saginaw Future (copy attached). The fee would remain at \$1,800 for the year. Discussion followed. It was moved by Dudek and supported by Douglas to approve the Agreement for Services with Saginaw Future, Inc. (Treasurer Petrowski requested to abstain from voting as she was employed by Saginaw Future causing a conflict of interest). There being 4 ayes and 1 abstain, the motion carried.

#### **Public Comments:**

Andrew Lamia, 2836 N. Michigan, asked for an update on the business located at 2828 N. Michigan. Oatten stated that the Township's zoning administrator had requested a site plan from the business and if they fail to comply, the Township will take the next legal step. Mr. Lamia also commented on the City of Saginaw's crime-free rental ordinance. He asked the board to consider the same for Carrollton Township. He also asked if they would consider his request for street lights under the overpasses to promote public safety.

Mollie Wicker, 502 Sherman, asked the board to address the blighted homes on her street. She is currently trying to sell her home and it was having a detrimental effect with the surrounding homes in the condition they were in. One of the homes had two trucks, two cars, a trailer and a furnace, all in the front yard. Another home has not had siding on it for almost two years. Discussion followed.

#### **Director Updates:**

Oatten updated the board on the upcoming meetings reference road commission funding and wholesale water rates.

**Board Comments:**

Dudek stated that the 150<sup>th</sup> Book Committee was making great progress. He also informed the board that March was reading month at the schools and he had asked both the fire and police departments to participate in reading to the kids.

Douglas discussed the deteriorating appearance of Skyway Plaza and asked the other members to think about a motion or resolution to encourage and/or enforce the property owners to clean it up. Much discussion followed.

Fritz reminded the board that the public accuracy testing for the election machines was Tuesday, March 1 at 3:30 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

It was moved by Fritz and supported by Petrowski to adjourn. There being all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry W. Fritz, Clerk

Public in attendance:

Rose King	3427 N. Michigan
Heather Helm	3524 Monroe
Mollie Wicker	502 Sherman
Andy Lamia	2836 N. Michigan