

**CARROLLTON TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, July 25, 2016**

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

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

**Acceptance of Agenda:**

It was board consensus to approve the agenda as presented.

**Public Comments:**

Assistant Fire Chief Frank Rivette, 534 Nylon, presented two options for a new outdoor sign at the Fire Station (Reserve St.). He stated he would be obtaining bids for the new sign and would bring them before the board.

**Approval of Minutes:**

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Petrowski to approve minutes for: June 27, 2016 – regular meeting. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

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

**Accounts Payable:**

It was moved by Petrowski and supported by Douglas to approve the July Accounts Payable for the amount of \$247,142.48. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

**Committee/Commission/Board Reports:**

Reports were reviewed. There were no financial requests.

**Pending Business:**

Oatten presented both lease and purchase options for a new Michigan CAT backhoe. Lease options for 36, 48 and 60 months were presented. Much discussion followed weighing the pros and cons of leasing vs. buying. Oatten further explained that if the board chose the buy option;

after one year of possession, we have the opportunity to trade the backhoe in as Michigan CAT resells used equipment. The total price to buy outright with a \$20,000 trade-in credit for the existing backhoe purchased in 2001 is \$73,900.87. Weaver stated that this purchase had been planned in the budget and designated reserves would be used out of the general, water and sewer funds.

It was moved by Fritz and supported by Douglas to purchase a Michigan CAT Backhoe Model 420F2 HRC for \$93,900.87 and to trade-in the 2000 JCB Backhoe for a \$20,000 value making the net purchase price \$73,900.87 (agreement attached). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

### **New Business:**

Weaver gave an update on the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Biathlon and Color Run/Walk that was held on Saturday, July 23. She explained that the event went very well with 110 participants. Over \$2,400 was raised to help fund the carnival weekend scheduled for Aug 11-13. She gave special thanks to the 150<sup>th</sup> Committee members, Carrollton Township Police Dept., Officer Lubarda and the Zilwaukee Police Dept., Messiah Lutheran Church, Carrollton Township Fire Dept. and the Carrollton High School Volleyball Team for volunteering their time and making the event a success!

Weaver requested that the Township Office and Department of Public Works be closed early on Friday, August 12, 2016 so that employees and their families can enjoy the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Carnival. It was moved by Fritz and supported by Petrowski to close the Township Offices and DPW at 12:00 noon on Friday, August 12, 2016 and employees of those departments be paid for the full day. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

### **Public Comments:**

Rose King, 3427 N. Michigan, congratulated Weaver on the success of the Biathlon and Color Run/Walk. She also commented on a couple of current code violations. Discussion followed.

Andrew Lamia, 2836 N. Michigan, made a complaint on the tall weeds, broken windows and trailer parked at the business next to his home. He also stated that the home at 2851 N. Michigan was in very bad shape. Discussion followed. Mr. Lamia stated that he had called 911 to report his neighbors for burning trash and the Fire Dept. was sent out. He didn't understand why a fire truck was dispatched. Oatten explained that a fire truck is always dispatched for any fire related call; however, in the future, if Mr. Lamia would like to call 911 and ask the dispatch officer to have a Carrollton police officer call him, he could report the violation and avoid a fire run call out.

### **Director Updates/Comments:**

Oatten informed the board that the orphan oil well project on Greenfield was complete and the well was successfully capped with no spills or odor issues reported.

Oatten attended the Northwest Utility Authority's annual meeting the previous Friday in place of the DPW Superintendent who was currently on sick leave. He stated that the Authority would not

be imposing an increase this year; however, we should expect an increase in 2017. Discussion followed.

**Board Comments:**

Douglas congratulated Weaver on a job well done for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Biathlon and Color Run/Walk. Douglas also commented on a solicitation call he had received at home about testing the water. He felt that it was only someone trying to capitalize on the Flint water crisis as Carrollton's water is tested routinely and safe to use.

Petrowski informed the board that MSHDA was offering more grant monies from the Hardest Hit Program to the City of Saginaw and bordering communities to demolish homes that are in bad shape. Back in 2013, the Township participated in this same grant opportunity and used the funds to demolish 14 homes. She further explained that Oatten had signed a letter of interest so that Carrollton could possibly be included in the next round of funding. She would bring more information to the board as it was available. Discussion followed.

Kozara asked the status of the sign at Skyway Plaza. Oatten responded that the sign company was moving forward with complete demolition of the sign planned for the following week.

**Adjournment:**

It was moved by Petrowski and supported by Fritz to adjourn. There being all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry W. Fritz, Clerk

Public in attendance:

Heather Helm	3524 N. Monroe
Robert Gubody	3562 N. Monroe
Andy Lamia	2836 N. Michigan
Frank Rivette	534 Nylon
Rose King	3427 N. Michigan