

**CARROLLTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, June 26, 2023**

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Supervisor Abney	Present
	Clerk Fritz	Present
	Treasurer Thurston	Absent - excused
	Trustee Douglas	Present
	Trustee Westphal	Present

There being a quorum, Supervisor Abney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Also in attendance: Director Megan Weaver, Police Chief Chris Kellett, DPW Superintendent Don Sumption and Fire Chief Bob Tetloff.

Acceptance of Agenda:

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Westphal to accept the agenda as presented. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Employee Recognition:

Board members recognized Department of Public Works Laborer Kyle Pender for his 5 years of service (not present).

Public Comments:

Tiffany Peterson, Superintendent of Carrollton Public Schools, introduced herself and Finance Director Carol Laux. She presented a handout of talking points for the 18 mill proposal on the August 8 Election ballot. Ms. Peterson reminded everyone that the proposed school millage was a renewal last taken to the voters in November 2012 and is only levied on non-homestead properties. If the millage is not approved by December 2024, the district may have to make significant changes to their budget. Discussion followed. Ms. Peterson thanked the board members and audience for their attention, and she gave the handouts to Weaver to be placed in the front lobby.

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Westphal and supported by Abney to approve minutes for: May 31, 2023 - regular meeting and June 12, 2023 – departmental meeting. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Accounts Payable:

Abney asked about the two checks listed that were refunds for overcharges. Weaver responded that the property located at 2895 Hermansau had been labeled as a two-unit home for both water/sewer ready-to-serve charges and the trash special assessment levy. Weaver received a letter from the property owners as they were notified of needing a non-owner occupied business license since part of their home was rented out. They claimed their home was a single family home since they purchased it in 1993; however, they were aware that it was a two-unit prior to

their ownership. Weaver confirmed with the assessor that the home was a single unit and per the Township's ordinance, refunded them for three years' worth of the extra trash special assessment levies and water/sewer ready-to-serve charges. Much discussion followed. Douglas asked that Weaver calculate the entire amount overcharged (back to 1993) and bring the totals to the next board meeting for discussion on possibly refunding the entire amount.

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Abney to approve the June Accounts Payable in the amount of \$293,579.50. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Committee/Commission/Board Reports:

Tetloff informed the board that he was obtaining quotes for repairs to Engine 7.

Kellett stated that some warranty repairs were being done to the 2020 Ford Interceptor. The new Durango patrol vehicle was taken in to be outfitted earlier that day.

Sumption informed the board that fire hydrants were being flushed. The lead and copper water sampling collections were completed and submitted to the lab. Sumption also stated that both road projects were near completion and the concrete repairs in Skyhaven Subdivision were done.

Discussion was held on the location for the annual Dumpster Day event due to the municipal building parking lot being repaved soon. Sumption did not want to place the large dumpsters on the new asphalt. Sumption will figure out a new location and get back with the board soon.

Pending Business:

Weaver stated that the owner of Carrollton Center had still not completed the roof job per court order. Discussion followed. It was board consensus to have Weaver contact Attorney Campbell to proceed with show-causing the owner back to court for compliance.

Discussion was held on possible dates for the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Iron Belle Trailhead. Weaver suggested holding it before the August 28 regular board meeting and pushing the meeting start time to later after the ceremony. More discussion followed. Weaver stated that she would also have to run the date by Spicer Group to make sure they could attend as well. It was board consensus to reschedule the August 28 board meeting for 6:30pm (instead of 5:30pm) and have Weaver coordinate with Spicer Group for the ceremony plans.

New Business:

It was moved by Abney and supported by Westphal to approve a special check payment of \$6,750 to Saginaw County Treasurer for the equipment and maintenance charges for the Dodge Durango police vehicle (copy of invoice attached). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Kellett informed the board that the 2011 Chevrolet Impala that is used by the code enforcement officer was beginning to have a lot of mechanical issues and the repairs would be costly. The 2009 Chevrolet Impala that was driven by Chief Oatten was being used for the time being for code enforcement. Kellett would like to look at buying a new or used vehicle for code enforcement and possibly trading in the 2011 Impala. Discussion followed. It was board consensus to have Kellett get pricing on a new car (with a possible trade in) and bring it back to the board.

It was moved by Abney and supported by Douglas to approve the quote from Kennedy Industries (copy attached) for the Plus 1 Program for two sewage pumps at Hanchett Pump Station with annual maintenance for five years for a total cost of \$44,575 (\$8,915 annually). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Public Comments:

Rick Hertz, 3030 N. Michigan, expressed his concern with the large group of people that were fighting outside of 509 Shattuck the previous Thursday evening. Discussion followed. Abney assured Mr. Hertz that the situation was being handled.

Judy George, 705 Oakview, asked when the next Neighborhood Watch meeting was being held. Response: meeting date is to be determined. Ms. George stated that she read the Community Connection article about the new curb carts and the ordinance pertaining to the storage of the carts. She did not have the room at her residence to store them out of sight and she had talked with some of her neighbors who felt the same way and also did not have the means to buy fencing to store the carts behind. Abney stated that many residents were still figuring out where to store their curb carts and every situation was unique.

Director Comments:

Weaver informed the board that the financial audit was conducted the week of June 12, and everything went smoothly. She expected the auditor to present the financial statements at one of the board meetings in August.

Weaver stated that registration for the Recreation Committee's new Flag Football program was going on now until July 24. The Cheerleading program would also be running during the Flag Football season which begins August 5 and runs for five weeks with games being played on Saturdays at Sherman Park.

Weaver stated that demolition of the police squad room would begin the following week. Also, the new Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) on our drinking water was now available to the public.

Board Comments:

Westphal thanked the audience for attending. She was looking forward to the Iron Belle Trailhead ceremony.

Fritz asked the other board members to complete and turn in the performance reviews for both Kellett and Weaver by June 30.

Douglas stated that the business located at 509 Shattuck had come before the Planning Commission as required for their three types of businesses – arcade, barber shop and car wash/car detailing. Obviously, what occurred the week before outside of the business was not what they are supposed to be doing there and he hoped the zoning administrator would address it.

Douglas stated that he was fully in support of the proposed school millage renewal that would be on the August 8 ballot. He continued that the millage only affects non-homesteaded properties, so the typical residential household that is homesteaded would not be affected by this millage renewal. This

renewal has passed three times in this district since Proposal A was passed in 1994. Douglas thanked Ms. Peterson for attending and again stated his support for the millage as the school district would have to make draconian cuts to their budget if it does not pass.

Douglas commented on his concern over the news reports the previous Thursday in reference to the Drumhiller family that held a press conference about their daughter Megan who was killed in January 2022. Douglas stated that while the Michigan State Police took over the case, he was very sympathetic to the parents' grief, and he hoped the case would be solved.

Abney handed out keychains to the board members and department heads that read "Carrollton Township Pride – You are KEY to our Success" as a token of appreciation for their teamwork in providing services to our residents.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Westphal and supported by Douglas to adjourn. There being all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry W. Fritz, Clerk

Public in attendance:

Tiffany Peterson	Carrollton Public Schools
Carol Laux	Carrollton Public Schools
Shar Pribila	3065 N. Michigan
Rick Hertz	3030 N. Michigan
Rose King	3427 N. Michigan
Raymond Jones	3675 Jackson
Judy George	705 Oakview