

CARROLLTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, July 31, 2023

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

There being a full board, 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 Westphal and supported by Fritz to accept the agenda as presented. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Public Comments:

Brad Lewinsky, Vice President of Yeager Asphalt, asked why his company was not chosen for the municipal building parking lot project. He asked specifically who made the decision. Abney responded that the Township Board made the decision as a whole. Mr. Lewinsky asked why the board members chose Pyramid Paving, who was the high bidder and is not located in Carrollton. He further explained that the board was doing a disservice to their taxpayers by choosing to spend more money on a project than was necessary. Abney responded that Pyramid Paving had done multiple road projects in the township recently and the difference in the bids was not a lot. Mr. Lewinsky stated that his company is located in Carrollton Township and Yeager Asphalt paid \$15,000 in personal property taxes the previous year. Also, their employees spend money at local businesses in the township daily. Mr. Lewinsky stated he was very disappointed in the board's decision and "maybe we should move our business out of here".

Dane Baase, 3705 Jefferson, asked what business was going into the old Union School located at 510 Mapleridge. Weaver responded that the business application stated that it would be a church. Mr. Baase asked about the property across the street from him that he had come in to ask about at a previous meeting. Weaver stated that R.B. Satkowiak City Sewer Cleaners had a permit from EGLE to use that location for their business and she would email Mr. Baase the contact information for the State so that he could inquire about the permit and the requirements that are in place.

Lee Berkobien, 4440 Lorraine, stated that he was being stalked by a family member and he was not getting any assistance from the police department. He had spoken to the new police chief and did not feel that he was willing to help him at all. Mr. Berkobien then presented a small picture album with pictures of his alleged stalker to the board members.

William Bennett, 1816 Crescent, stated that what Mr. Berkobien was speaking about was a family matter that had been going on for years. Mr. Bennett didn't think it was appropriate to be talking about it at a public meeting and Mr. Berkobien just thought everyone was out to get him.

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Fritz and supported by Abney to approve minutes for: June 26, 2023 - regular meeting and July 10, 2023 – departmental meeting. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Accounts Payable:

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Abney to approve the July Accounts Payable in the amount of \$482,093.30. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Quarterly Investment Report:

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Westphal to receive and file the quarterly investment report for 06/30/2023. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Committee/Commission/Board Reports:

Tetloff stated that his department would be participating in the annual National Night Out event on August 1 in Saginaw Township.

Westphal asked Tetloff about the cancelling of the hose testing. Tetloff responded that the company they usually used for the hose testing couldn't come to the Fire Station any longer to do the testing on site. He had decided to go with a different company and the next hose testing will be June 2024. Discussion followed.

Kellett noted in his report that the mileage totals were high for patrol vehicles #552 and #553 for the previous month due to #555 (2020 Ford) having warranty and recall maintenance done.

Kellett stated that he would be bringing information to the board regarding speed display signs as he's been checking with different vendors. Discussion was held on the different types of signs and the ability to record motorists' data.

Sumption informed the board that new mulch had been placed at Sherman and Stoker parks; however, he was waiting until after the school's summer lunch program was completed (Aug 18) before putting the mulch down at Hanchett Park.

Sumption discussed the events that occurred on July 20 and July 21 that included six separate water main breaks which included the City of Saginaw's transmission line on Schust Rd. After a couple of very long days, the DPW were able to fix the Township's lines. Discussion followed. Abney asked Sumption to thank the DPW laborers for all of their hard work.

Sumption stated that the site on Polk St. (3700 Polk) will be the location for the Dumpster Day event being held Saturday, September 9. Weaver would be getting the informational flyer out soon.

Pending Business:

Weaver stated that the court hearing for Carrollton Center (Skyway Plaza) was set for August 15

at 11am via Zoom in front of Judge Fichtner. This hearing was the result of Carrollton Center not completing the roof and parking lot as ordered by the Judge back in March. Discussion followed.

New Business:

It was moved by Abney and supported by Douglas to accept the resignation of Derrick Voltz from the Recreation Committee and the appointments of Cheyenne Kidd with a term ending 02/27/26 and Jeffrey Supinger with a term ending 07/31/26 (pending successful background check). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Abney to approve the 2023 Carrollton High School Homecoming Parade Route as presented for Friday, October 6, 2023. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Abney and supported by Fritz to approve the quote from Garber Chevrolet for a 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD work truck with service body and plow package for \$70,598.47 (copy attached). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Abney and supported by Fritz to approve Change Order Request #1 from Pyramid Paving for the municipal building parking lot for an additional \$32,750 (copy attached). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Abney to approve the quote from McKay Excavating Inc. for the removal and replacement of 150 ft. of sidewalk and the two outlets to the municipal building parking lot for \$6,500 (copy attached). There being all ayes, the motion carried.

It was moved by Abney and supported by Westphal to approve the quote from ASI Building Products for new ceiling tiles for the basement and squad room in the amount of \$1,347.21 (copy attached) and approve the purchase of eight LED panel lights for the basement meeting room and police squad room in the amount of \$547.76. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Weaver asked the board members to review the Recreation Plan survey results and recommended goals and objectives as presented. The next deadline for the plan was August 28. She would put it on the August 14 agenda for final approval.

Weaver presented the wage and benefit offers for both Officer Fulco and Officer Luth when they were hired by Chief Oatten in August 2022. She explained that the police union contract allows for a newly hired police officer to start at a higher hourly rate dependent on experience and skill. When Oatten set their starting hourly wage, he provided for a \$1.00 increase for each subsequent year until both officers reached the status of four years of seniority.

Weaver explained that a \$1.00 increase each year would not allow for the officers to reach the hourly rate of an officer with four years seniority under the current contract. That increase needs to be higher. Much discussion followed. It was moved by Abney and supported by Thurston to set the hourly rate increase to \$2.50 for both Officer Fulco and Officer Luth for their next two anniversary dates in August 2023 and August 2024. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Public Comments: None.

Director Comments:

Weaver informed the board that a stop sign would be installed on the corner of Hickory and Madison.

Weaver stated that applications for school crossing guards were being accepted currently.

Board Comments:

Douglas commended Sumption and the DPW for their response to the multiple water main breaks.

Thurston stated that she had attended a seminar the previous week about the broadband infrastructure funding that the State of Michigan is receiving (4th highest in the country at \$1.6 billion). She discussed more of the highlights from the seminar. Discussion followed.

Westphal informed the board and audience that the community-wide garage sales would begin Thursday, August 3 and Weaver was making the map for the public.

Abney stated that he felt this was the most thorough board he had even been a part of. He commended his fellow board members on the decisions that had been made and he looked forward to more discussion and decision-making in the future.

Executive Session:

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Abney to go into executive session to discuss both Chief Kellett and Director Weaver's performance evaluations (separately). There being all ayes, the meeting closed at 7:15 p.m.

It was moved by Douglas and supported by Thurston to come out of executive session. There being all ayes, the meeting opened at 9:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Westphal and supported by Thurston to adjourn. There being all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry W. Fritz, Clerk

Public in attendance:

Jack Tany	1369 Savoy
Elizabeth Arroyo	3688 Jefferson
Dane Baase	3705 Jefferson
Lee Berkobien	4440 Lorraine
David Osmond	3036 Harrison
William Bennett	1816 Crescent
Rose King	3427 N. Michigan
Brad Lewinsky	Yeager Asphalt
Judy George	705 Oakview