

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
December 13, 2016**

Chuck Korn called the Town Board Meeting to order on December 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Garfield Township Hall, 3848 Veterans Drive, Traverse City, Michigan.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board Members

Present: Molly Agostinelli, Denise Schmuckal, Dan Walters, Lanie McManus, Jeane Blood Law, Steve Duell and Chuck Korn

1. Public Comment (6:01)

None

2. Review and Approval of the Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:01)

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve the agenda as amended adding a revised Resolution 2016- 33-T.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Blood Law, Agostinelli. Walters, Duell, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

3. Consent Calendar (6:02)

a. Minutes

November 29, 2016 Study Session (Recommend Approval)

November 29, 2016 Regular Meeting (Recommend Approval)

b. Bills

General Fund	\$54,939.33
(Recommend Approval)	

Gourdie-Fraser

Developer's Escrow Fund	1,046.25
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Utility Receiving Fund	<u>30,075.00</u>
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Total	\$31,121,25
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c. Town Board meeting Dates for 2017 (Recommend Approval)

d. MTT Update (Receive and File)

e. Application for Progress Payment for Sanitary Sewer Pump Station No. 3 Upgrades to Franklin Holwerda in the amount of \$108,997.20 (Recommend Approval)

f. Resolution 2016-33-T, a resolution to Amend the 2016 Budget (Recommend Approval)

g. 2017 Appointments (Recommend Approval)

Schmuckal asked to remove items F and G to agenda item #4 a and b. Duell asked to remove Consent Item c to item #4 c.

Schmuckal moved and Duell seconded to adopt the consent calendar as amended.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Agostinelli, Blood Law, Walters, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

4. Items removed from the Consent Calendar (6:06)

a. Resolution 2016-33-T, a Resolution to amend the 2016 Budget

Schmuckal asked why the amended budget amount had increased and McManus stated that the revision was to accommodate invoices from the Township Attorney.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to approve Resolution 2016-33-T, a Resolution to amend the 2016 Budget.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, McManus, Blood Law, Walters, Duell, Korn

Nays: None

b. 2017 Appointments

Board members amended the 2017 Appointments to include Schmuckal on the Parks and Rec Commission and place Dan Walters as an alternate on the Metro Fire Board. Board members discussed advertising for vacant board positions in the future.

Schmuckal moved to approve 2017 Appointments as amended and Duell seconded.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Duell, Walters, Blood Law, Agostinelli, McManus, Korn

Nays: None

c. Town Board Meeting Dates for 2017

Agostinelli moved and Walters supported to adopt the 2017 Town Board Meeting dates as presented.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Duell, Walters, Blood Law, McManus, Schmuckal, Korn

Nays: None

5. Correspondence (6:18)

None

6. Reports**a. Construction Report (6:18)**

Report submitted in writing

b. Sheriff's Report (6:18)

Deputy Chris Barsheff said that the stats program is still not operational. He attended a Boardman Lake Trail safety meeting as well as the Toys for Tots event kickoff. He helped to train officers on stops and attended local bank security meetings and loss prevention meetings. The weather brought on car crashes and he updated board members on the many cases the department is working on.

c. County Commissioner's Report (7:08)

County Commissioner Kroupa said that the board is still working on the budget and that they voted to restructure the Commission on Aging to a four person advisory committee. The Economic Development Corporation board is being restructured as well. She thanked Garfield Board members for her time serving them in the capacity of County Commissioner.

d. Personnel Committee Report (6:26)

No report

e. Clerk's Report (6:26)

McManus said her report is in the packets and was thankful that there was no recount for the Presidential election.

f. Assessor's Report (6:27)

Assessor DeHaan reported that her department reviewed 3,300 buildings this year and added tax dollars to the roll. She is very happy with the new pictometry software and program.

g. Supervisor's Report (6:33)

Korn reported that the wastewater treatment plant contract has been a hot topic and he attended a mediation session and there is now a tentative modified agreement giving Garfield Township 5% more of the plant capacity with an option to lease 2% more.

7. Unfinished Business**a. Public Hearing – Proposed 2017 Charter Township of Garfield Budget (6:36)**

Korn opened the Public Hearing at 6:38pm and seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the Public Hearing.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to adopt Resolution 2016-34-T, a Resolution to adopt the 2017 General Appropriation Act Resolution.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Walters, Duell, Blood Law, McManus, Korn
Nays: None

b. Public Hearing – Consideration of Resolution 2016-32-T, an Application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate – RJG Technologies, Inc. at 3111 Park Drive (6:39)

Dale Westerman of RJG Technologies said that a second story was added and this application is for the cost of the addition, new employees and furnishing the space. Almost all of the ten new employees were hired that were promised and it is an investment of \$700,000 and the application requests a two year exemption. Mike Groleau also spoke and said the original building also used an IFT. Korn opened the Public Hearing at 6:50pm and seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

Walters moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve Resolution 2016-32-T, an Application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate – RJG Technologies, Inc. at 3111 Park Drive.

Yeas: Walters, Schmuckal, Blood Law, Agostinelli, McManus, Duell, Korn
Nays: None

8. New Business

a. Economic Development Corporation Bond Issue. The County EDC is completing the bond issue but the Garfield Township Board needs to acknowledge this is occurring as the project is in Garfield Township. The project is the Montessori Children's House (6:50)

Jean Derenzy, on behalf of the EDC, asked for Township support of the EDC financing the Montessori Children's House new addition as well as consolidation of previous loans. The township is under no financial obligation, but because the project is located in Garfield Township, approval is sought.

Schmuckal moved and Blood Law supported to approve the Economic Development Corporation Bond issue in the matter of the Montessori Children's House.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Blood Law, McManus, Walters, Duell, Agostinelli, Korn
Nays: None

b. Consideration of Resolution 2016-34-T, a resolution to adopt the 2017 General Appropriation Act Resolution

See old business item 7A above.

c. Consideration of Resolution 2016-35-T, a resolution to adopt the 2017 Fire Fund Budget (6:55)

Schmuckal moved and Walters supported to adopt Resolution 2016-35-T, resolution to adopt the 2017 Fire Fund Budget.

Yeas: *Schmuckal, Walters, Duell, Blood Law, McManus, Agostinelli, Korn*
Nays: *None*

d. Consideration of Resolution 2016-36-T, a resolution to adopt the 2017 Park System Fund (6:56)

Agostinelli moved and McManus seconded to adopt Resolution 2016-36-T, a resolution to adopt the 2017 Park System Fund.

Yeas: *Agostinelli, McManus, Walters, Duell, Blood Law, Schmuckal, Korn*
Nays: *None*

e. Consideration of Resolution 2016-37-T, a resolution setting the 2017 Treasurer's salary (6:57)

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to adopt Resolution 2016-37-T, a resolution setting the 2017 Treasurer's salary.

Yeas: *Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Walters, McManus, Duell, Blood Law, Korn*
Nays: *None*

f. Consideration of Resolution 2016-38-T, a resolution setting the 2017 Clerk's salary (6:58)

Schmuckal moved and Walters seconded to approve Resolution 2016-38-T, a resolution setting the 2017 Clerk's salary.

Yeas: *Schmuckal, Walters, Agostinelli, McManus, Blood Law, Duell, Korn*
Nays: *None*

g. Consideration of Resolution 2016-38-T, a resolution setting the 2017 Supervisor's salary (6:59)

Schmuckal moved and Duell seconded to approve Resolution 2016-38-T, a resolution setting the 2017 Supervisor's salary.

Yeas: *Schmuckal, Duell, McManus, Agostinelli, Walters, Blood Law, Korn*
Nays: *None*

9. Public Comment: (6:59)

Northflight Operations Manager Daryl Case introduced himself and said he looks forward to working with the board and being more accountable.

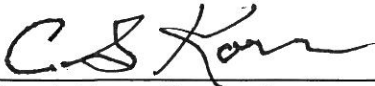
10. Other Business (7:12)

Board members asked for a policy on board appointments.

Duell said that MSU would like to have an equine base up here at NMC.

11. Adjournment (7:18)

Schmuckal moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm.



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