

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
June 14, 2016

Chuck Korn called the Town Board Meeting to order on June 14, 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, Jeane Blood Law, and Chuck Korn

Absent and Excused: Kit Wilson, Lanie McManus and Bob Featherstone

1. **Public Comment (6:01)**
None

2. **Review and Approval of the Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:01)**
Schmuckal asked to remove item 8d from the agenda since 2/3 vote of the governing body is required. Board members asked that it be added to next agenda.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to approve the agenda as amended.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Blood Law, Korn
Nays: None

3. **Consent Calendar (6:05)**

a. **Minutes**

May 24, 2016 Meeting (Recommend Approval)

b. **Bills**

General Fund	\$49,449.89
(Recommend Approval)	

c. **MTT Update (Receive and File)**

d. **PD 2016-39 – Reappointment of Molly Agostinelli, as the Garfield Township Board member, to City of Traverse City and Charter Township Of Garfield Recreational Authority for a term of three (3) years to expire June 30, 2019. (Recommend Approval)**

- e. **Application for progress payment – Watermain reimbursement request – Brookside Commons & Zimmerman Road – The WODA Group, Inc. in the amount of \$230,031.17 (Recommend Approval)**

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to adopt the consent calendar as presented.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Blood Law, Korn

Nays: None

4. **Items removed from the Consent Calendar**

None

5. **Correspondence**

- a. Grand Traverse Conservation District Report – Activity for May 2016
- b. Email from Julie Clark re: Joint study session for West Boardman Lake Trail

6. **Reports**

a. **Traverse Area District Library – Gail Parsons, Director (6:04)**

Gail Parsons, Director of TADL, briefed board members on an upcoming ten year millage request on August 2nd and the status of the Library in Traverse City. She added that the library offers many free digital downloads as well as physical books.

b. **Construction Report (6:09)**

Jennifer Hodges from Gourdie Fraser reported that pump station #1 has been completed and turnover documents will be forthcoming. The Crown booster station will getting underway and Ridges at 45 is moving forward. Chelsea Park is getting ready to close out and an RFP will be going out for the new tank on the northwest side of town.

c. **Sheriff's Report**

No report

d. **GT Metro Fire Report (6:13)**

Lt. Terry Flynn submitted a report in writing which showed 1,880 calls year to date. He added that there was an open house at Station 12 and a new rescue boat was purchased for use on Silver Lake. He thanked board members since this will be his last meeting before retirement.

e. **County Commissioner's Report (6:23)**

Commissioner Christine Maxbauer reported that Jody Lundquist was named as the new Financial Director for the county and will begin on July 5th. Maxbauer met with MERS representatives and said meetings were very productive and a solution to the pension debt issue may be forthcoming after a July meeting. An IT audit was recently conducted and

the county is searching for ways to update its IT infrastructure.

Commissioner Alisa Kroupa added that a Pension Board will be created and seven people will be appointed. She also attended a Venture North meeting where economic development was discussed and she found the information useful.

f. Personnel Committee Report (6:15)

Schmuckal said that the committee is still working on the personnel policy manual and may meet again next week.

g. Treasurer's Report (6:15)

Blood Law said that Jennifer Hodges from Gourdie Fraser gave her a budget pertaining to projects and expenses for 2016 which has aided greatly in planning for future monetary investments. She added at this point, all money is on hand to pay for the upcoming sewer/water projects in the township.

h. Clark's Report (6:18)

Korn said that the report was submitted in writing since McManus is attending the Clerk's conference this week.

i. Supervisor's Report (6:18)

Korn reported that the West Boardman Lake Trail would like to meet with the City and Garfield Township board to discuss the water supply. They were looking at a July 6 meeting. Board members asked if another date could be looked at as it is Cherry Festival week and Board members will be out of town. Korn indicated he attended the Venture North luncheon where discussion focused on the economic development in the area. In addition Korn stated that the Grand Traverse Mall has filed an appeal with the tax tribunal.

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

a. PD 2016-40 – Consideration of Resolution 2016-19-T, a resolution of support for a new micro brewer and outdoor service area liquor license for Earthen Ales at 1371 Gray Drive, Suite 200, Traverse City, MI 49684 (6:42)

Andrew Kidwell-Brix of Earthen Ales was present and is seeking approval for a new microbrewery and taproom at the Grand Traverse Commons. He said that the business will open later this summer and have 74 seats indoors and 30 outdoors. They will only serve beer that is brewed on site. Limited ready to eat food will be served and people will be encouraged to bring in food from surrounding establishments.

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to adopt Resolution

2016-19-T, a resolution of support for a new micro brewer and outdoor service area liquor license for Earthen Ales at 1371 Gray Drive, Suite 200, Traverse City, MI 49684

Yeas: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Blood Law, Korn

Nays: None

b. PD Report 2016-41 – Consideration of Resolution 2016-20-T a resolution in support of Tribal Council 2% grant request (6:47)

The City of Traverse City and Garfield Township Joint Recreation Authority, specifically the Botanic Garden Society at the Historic Barns Park is asking Garfield Township to act as the applicant and fiduciary for a 2% grant request to the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. The grant would support new interpretive and educational projects in the botanical gardens.

Schmuckal moved and Blood Law seconded to adopt Resolution 2016-20-T, a resolution in support of Tribal Council 2% grant request.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Blood Law, Agostinelli, Korn

Nays: None

c. Consideration of bids for demolition of Keystone Road Structure (6:51)

The board is asked to consider a bid to demolish two structures within the Boardman Valley Nature Preserve. The Board had questions about the removal of trees and the recycling of concrete in the bids. Staff will handle the questions and bring this item back for consideration at the next meeting. Board members expressed an interest in walking the property with the parks director.

d. Consideration of Resolution 2016-21-T, a resolution to adopt the Annual Exemption Option as set forth in 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act

Item removed from agenda.

e. PD Report 2016-43 – Consideration of Resolution 2016-22-T, a resolution adopting a revised Fee Schedule covering various Planning, Zoning, Land Use Mapping and License Fees. (6:55)

Korn said that this item is housekeeping in nature and ensured that costs were being covered.

Schmuckal moved and Blood Law seconded to adopt Resolution 2016-22-T, a resolution adopting a revised Fee Schedule covering various Planning, Zoning, Land Use Mapping and License Fees.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Blood Law, Agostinelli, Korn

Nays: None

f. Consideration of a Sewer and Water Benefits Deferral Agreement between Copper Ridge at Copper Village, LLC and Garfield Township. (6:56)

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve the Sewer and Water benefits Deferral Agreement between Copper Ridge at Copper Village, LLC and Garfield Township subject to attorney review.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Blood Law, Korn

Nays: None

9. Public Comment: (7:00)

Kimberly Conaghan, spoke regarding the Traverse City Community Garden.

10. Other Business (7:03)

Census information shows that the township continues to grow.

11. Adjournment 7:06

Korn adjourned the meeting at 7:06pm.



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