

**CARROLLTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
DEPARTMENTAL MEETING
Thursday, March 12, 2020**

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

There being a quorum, Supervisor Abney called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. Also in attendance: Director Craig Oatten and Office Manager Megan Weaver.

Acceptance of Agenda:

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

Public Comments:

Melissa Fairley, 2604 Benjamin, asked the board members if they would be participating in the new program that Governor Whitmer signed that allows property owners in foreclosure to make pay plans on their property taxes. Treasurer Thurston responded that the program Ms. Fairley was referencing would not be adopted at the township level, but at the county level. She would need to contact the Saginaw County Treasurer. Discussion followed. Oatten offered to call the County for Ms. Fairley and get back with her the following day.

Pending Business:

Discussion was held on the Road Millage Proposition that passed in the March 10 Election.

New Business:

Weaver stated that she and DPW Superintendent Sumption met with Rocky from SLC Meter to discuss water meters. She presented a quote to switch the water meter endpoints to cellular endpoints. She explained that the technology was changing faster than the Township could keep up. While the endpoints would be switched out in the Township over future years, it only made sense to change now instead of waiting until the current endpoints were obsolete. Discussion followed. It was moved by Thurston and supported by Douglas to approve the quote from SLC Meter in the amount of \$1,820.37 (copy attached) for the transition from Badger Orion CE radio reads to Badger cellular reads. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Oatten informed the board that he had narrowed down the applicants for the code enforcement officer position and he recommended hiring Sal Salazar. He had negotiated \$16/hr with no health benefits. Discussion followed. It was moved by Abney and supported by Thurston to hire Sal Salazar as the full-time Code Enforcement Officer with a pay rate of \$16.00 per hour with no health benefits provided. There being all ayes, the motion carried.

Weaver and Oatten presented the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget figures for both the Water and Sewer Funds. Much discussion followed.

Public Comments:

Rose King, 3427 N. Michigan, asked if the County was proposing a road millage. Response: Yes, on the November ballot.

Director Comments:

Oatten discussed the recent news about the Coronavirus and the possible effect on the Recreation Baseball/Softball season. He stated that Carrollton Public Schools had cancelled all athletic programs until the end of April. Discussion followed. It was board consensus to continue collecting Recreation Baseball/Softball registrations and if the Coronavirus pandemic situation escalates, the board will consider cancelling the season and refunds will be issued.

Weaver stated that she had attended the Fire Department's regular meeting the night before and presented their Fiscal Year 2020-2021 proposed budget. She went over all of their line items and answered questions.

Board Comments:

Fritz stated that he had received lots of compliments on the appearance of the old 7-11 store at 805 Shattuck. He also thanked Oatten and Weaver for their help with the road millage. Fritz informed the board that the Saginaw ISD has a mental health liaison that he would like to ask to come speak at a future board meeting.

Thurston informed everyone that the Saginaw-Tittabawassee River Contamination Advisory Group may be reaching out to Carrollton soon to hold meetings in the board room.

Douglas stated that the C.A.V.S. Improvement Committee would not be able to meet at the school on March 19 and asked if the group could meet at the Township Hall instead. It was board consensus to allow the meeting to be held at the Township Hall.

Douglas spoke on the historic results of the Road Millage proposition passed by the voters on the March 10th ballot. He would like the board members to start thinking about possibly putting up a plaque to hang in the board room to recognize the road millage being passed.

Abney expressed his excitement about the road millage passing on March 10. He felt that it was validation that the current board and management are doing the right things and the public is noticing. He thanked everyone for their involvement and congratulated them on the successful outcome.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Thurston and supported by Fritz to adjourn. There being all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry W. Fritz, Clerk

Public in attendance:

Rose King	3427 N. Michigan
Joan Douglas	1828 Kelly