

**REGULAR MEETING
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 21, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, November 21, 2016 at 8500 Jefferson Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Elrod called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Beamish, Tackett, Marsh, Calhoun, Reynolds and Elrod.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was public comment from Dr. Moter regarding the Clark Lake Special Assessment District.

Supervisor Elrod asked if there were any changes to the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Trustee Reynolds. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Beamish to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Motion to approve accounts payables in the amount of \$132,152.14 was made by Trustee Beamish. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried.

CONTROLLER'S REPORT: Motion by Trustee Reynolds was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Trustee Beamish was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun to receive and file the police report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Trustee Beamish was seconded by Trustee Tackett to receive and file the fire report.

SEWER REPORT: Motion by Trustee Reynolds was seconded by Trustee Tackett to receive and file the Sewer report. Ayes all. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: There was discussion on the following items; amendments to the Fund Balance Policy. There was also discussion on the speed limits and TCO's on Hayes Road. The Board reached a consensus opinion to unanimously agree that the speed limit on Hayes road should not increase. Rather the Board would prefer that the speed limit remain low. The Board also spent a significant amount of time discussing sewer rates and the presentation provided by the Controller.

ACTION ITEMS: Action was taken on the following items.

A motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the School Tax collection agreement with Columbia School District. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion was made by Treasurer Calhoun to approve the School Tax collection agreement with Napoleon Community Schools. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion was made by Clerk Marsh to table the proposed Consumers Energy Street Lights contract. This would allow time for more research to be completed. Ayes all – Except Elrod. Motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve a refund request for Billy White Roofing. The motion was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the Susceptibility testing for Clark Lake SAD. The motion was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve adding the delinquent balances and billings be assessed on the 2016 Winter Taxes to be mailed before 12/1/16 per the request made by Treasurer Calhoun. The motion was seconded Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Treasurer Calhoun to approve the amended Jackson County Waste Agreement. The motion was seconded by Trustee Beamish. Ayes all. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was no additional public comment.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Beamish, seconded by Trustee Tackett. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:41p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Marsh, Clerk
Columbia Township