

**REGULAR MEETING
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 20, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, June 20, 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, Deland and Elrod.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was no public comment at the beginning of the meeting.

Supervisor Elrod asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

A motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by Trustee Reynolds. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Motion to approve accounts payables in the amount of \$240,789.13 was made by Trustee Beamish. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried.

CONTROLLER'S REPORT: Motion by Trustee Tackett was seconded by Trustee Beamish to receive and file the Controller's report. Ayes all. Motion carried.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Clerk Marsh was seconded by Trustee Beamish to receive and file the police report.

SEWER REPORT: Motion by Trustee Beamish was seconded by Trustee Tackett to receive and file the sewer report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: There was discussion on the following items; an RFP for Sewer Services. The unanimous consensus of the Board was to continue with the Brooklyn DPW and save the RFP for future reference if needed.

ACTION ITEMS: Action was taken on the following items.

A motion was made by Treasurer Calhoun to approve the proposed solution to the Commercial REU billing issues. The motion was seconded by Trustee Deland. Ayes all – Except Marsh. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clerk Marsh to approve the revised Fund Balance Policy. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clerk Marsh to approve the 15/16 Budget Amendments as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Beamish. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Supervisor Elrod reminded everyone in attendance that the Township was conducting its Budget Hearing for the 16/17 Budget tonight. Treasurer Calhoun read aloud the 2016/2017 Financial Plan resolution. There was public comment allowed at this time by Supervisor Elrod. Resident Mike Raczkowski spoke regarding the proposed budget.

A motion by Trustee Reynolds to adopt the 2016/2017 Financial Plan Resolution (16/17) Budget, was seconded by Trustee Deland. On a roll call vote: Ayes – Deland, Calhoun, Marsh, Tackett, Beamish and Elrod. Resolution adopted.

A motion was made by Clerk Marsh to approve the DNR Grant for Volunteer Fire Assistance. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was additional public comment by resident Jae Goodshow.

There were final Board comments from Supervisor Elrod.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Marsh, Clerk
Columbia Township