

**REGULAR MEETING
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 19, 2013
7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, August 19, 2013 at 8500 Jefferson Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Elrod called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gene Osborne, USMC, Retired.

Invocation was given by Clerk Marsh.

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

A report from the Jackson County Board of Commissioners was given by Commissioner Phil Duckham.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was public comment by resident Mike Raczkowski.

Supervisor Elrod asked if there were any changes to the agenda. A motion by Trustee Reynolds to adopt the agenda was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried. Agenda adopted. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to approve the Consent Agenda was seconded by Trustee Tackett. Ayes all. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Motion to approve accounts payables in the amount of \$365,648.29 was made by Treasurer Calhoun, and seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes all. Motion carried.

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

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Treasurer Calhoun was seconded by Clerk Marsh to receive and file the report from the Fire Department. Ayes all. Motion carried.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Treasurer Calhoun, seconded by Trustee Reynolds to receive And file the report from the Police Department. Ayes all. Motion carried.

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Trustee Tackett, seconded by Trustee Deland to receive and file the report from the Assessing Department. Ayes all. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: There was further discussion on the Township Park improvements and verification that the approve \$15,000 budget for the project included the pathways to the playground equipment and the porta-johns or future bathrooms. There was also discussion on what the DNR may be able to assist with in regards to the boat ramp. There was also discussion on casual labor with the majority consensus from the Board members present that any such decisions was the authority of the Board of Trustees.

ACTION ITEMS: Action was taken on the following items. A motion was made by Trustee Reynolds to approve the request for \$11,524.70, was seconded by Trustee Deland. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by

Treasurer Calhoun to approve the Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to award the contract for parking lot repairs to Quality Asphalt Repair in the amount of \$81,008, was second by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Trustee Deland to approve the appointment of Brad Denning to the ZBA (Unexpired term until April, 2014) per Supervisor Elrod's recommendation, the motion was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was further public comment by resident Mike Raczkowski.

There was final Board comment from Treasurer Calhoun, Clerk Marsh and Supervisor Elrod.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer Calhoun, seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Marsh, Clerk
Columbia Township