

**REGULAR MEETING  
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
May 16, 2011  
7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, May 16, 2011 at 8500 Jefferson Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Elrod called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Holly Cogan.

Invocation was given by Clerk Marsh.

**ROLL CALL:** PRESENT: Reynolds, Marsh, Beamish, Raczkowski, Deland, Calhoun and Elrod.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Marce Wandell spoke about the Area Agency on Aging.

Supervisor Elrod stated the agenda was before us and asked if there were any changes. Motion to approve the agenda by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried. Motion to approve the consent agenda by Supervisor Elrod, seconded by Trustee Deland. Ayes all. Motion carried,

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:** Motion to approve accounts payable by Trustee Beamish, seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** On the Consent Agenda.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** On the Consent Agenda.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** On the Consent Agenda.

**ASSESSORS REPORT:** On the Consent Agenda.

**SEWER REPORT:** On the Consent Agenda.

**CONTROLLER'S REPORT:** A motion to accept the Controller's report was made by Clerk Marsh, seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** There was extensive discussion on the hours of the Township office. In an informal vote Clerk Marsh, Trustee Reynolds, Treasurer Calhoun and Supervisor Elrod indicated that they wanted to keep the office hours the same until there was more of a need due to customer activity. Trustee Raczkowski, Trustee Deland and Trustee Beamish desired some possible change.

**ACTION ITEMS:** A Roll call vote on the Ballot Language for the Renewal of the Police and Fire Millage was made by Clerk Marsh, seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes – Calhoun, Deland, Raczkowski, Beamish, Marsh, Reynolds and Elrod. Nays – None. Ballot Language was approved. A motion to approve the Financial Plan Resolution for FY 2012 was made by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. On a roll call vote. Ayes – Reynolds, Marsh, Beamish, Raczkowski, Deland, Calhoun and Elrod. Nays – None. Resolution was adopted. The Tax Collection Agreement with JCC was tabled on a motion from Trustee Raczkowski, seconded by Trustee Deland. Ayes all. Motion to table carried. Recommended amounts to be transferred as per our Fund Balance policy was tabled. A motion to approve the 2011 Road Maintenance Agreement with the Jackson County Road Commission was made by Trustee Beamish, seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to approve the quote from Brooklyn Plumbing and Heating to rework the HVAC to provide better and more efficient temperature control to the southern end of the building was made, seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion to adopt the Resolution to Set Sewer Rates and Charges for the Public Sewer System was made by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. On a roll call vote. Ayes – Reynolds, Beamish, Deland, Calhoun and Elrod. Nays – Marsh and Raczkowski. Resolution adopted. A motion by Trustee Reynolds to buy the Purchase Order Software for sewer related purchases only, seconded by Beamish. Ayes – Reynolds, Beamish, Raczkowski, Deland, Calhoun and Elrod. Nays – Marsh. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There was no further public comment.

**FINAL BOARD COMMENT:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Beamish, seconded by Clerk Marsh. Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Marsh, Clerk  
Columbia Township