

REGULAR MEETING
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 18, 2012
7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, June 18, 2012 at 8500 Jefferson Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Elrod called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Raczkowski, Deland, Calhoun, Marsh, Reynolds and Elrod.
Trustee Beamish was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was public comment from Residents Flip Reynolds and Kate Mahan.

Supervisor Elrod asked if there were any changes to the agenda. A motion by Trustee Raczkowski to add 8 resolutions (that he had prepared) to the agenda as action items was seconded by Trustee Deland. On a roll call vote – Ayes – Raczkowski and Deland. Nays – Reynolds, Marsh, Calhoun and Elrod. Motion failed. A motion by Trustee Raczkowski to add 8 resolutions (that he had prepared) to the agenda as discussion items was seconded by Trustee Deland. On a roll call vote – Ayes – Raczkowski, Deland and Marsh. Nays – Reynolds, Calhoun and Elrod. Motion failed. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun move the Fire report to the Consent Agenda and remove discussion item 10b from the agenda was seconded by Trustee Reynolds. On a roll call vote – Ayes – Reynolds, Calhoun, Marsh and Elrod. Nays – Raczkowski and Deland. Motion carried. A motion to approve the agenda with the above mentioned changes was made by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun, seconded by Trustee Reynolds to approve the consent agenda with the above mentioned changes. Ayes all. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Motion to approve accounts payables in the amount of \$166,724 by Treasurer Calhoun, seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

SEWER REPORT: Motion by Treasurer Calhoun, seconded by Clerk Marsh to receive and file the Sewer report. Ayes all. Motion carried.

CONTROLLER'S REPORT: Motion by Treasurer Calhoun, seconded by Clerk Marsh to receive and file the report from the Controller. Ayes all. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Clerk Marsh, seconded by Trustee Deland to receive and file the report from the Treasurer's Department. Ayes all. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Moved to the Consent Agenda.

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS: There was discussion on a proposed lake ordinance by Treasurer Calhoun. There were concerns from Board members. A request from the Fire Chief to replace or upgrade to a ladder truck was removed during the approval of the agenda.

ACTION ITEMS: Action was taken on the following items. A motion by Trustee Deland to postpone the issue of partially refunding a permit fee to resident Joseph Willaert until our July meeting was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried. There was no action taken on the request from Supervisor Elrod to adopt the Legacy Land Conservancy Resolution. The issue failed due to lack of support. A motion by Clerk Marsh to revise the Financial Policy Procedure Manual was seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to postpone until the July meeting a Zoning Ordinance review proposal was seconded by Trustee Raczkowski. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion Treasurer Calhoun to approve the Capital item purchase of Defibrillators for the Fire Department was seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to approve the Budget amendments presented by the Controller was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Trustee Reynolds to approve the purchase of a new server in this fiscal year was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to adopt the resolution to decline the properties in the right of first refusal from Jackson County was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Resolution adopted. A motion by Clerk Marsh to approve the (Personnel Committee) recommended hiring of Nick Kotsch to assist the Assessing Department with field work for the 2012 season was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes – Reynolds, Marsh, Calhoun and Elrod. Neys – Raczkowski and Deland. Motion carried. A motion by Clerk Marsh to approve the Controllers recommendation to lower the Township's admin fee was seconded by Trustee Reynolds. Motion carried. A motion by Trustee Deland to postpone the annual fund designations was seconded by Trustee Raczkowski. Ayes – Raczkowski and Deland. Neys – Reynolds, Marsh, Calhoun and Elrod. Motion failed. A motion by Trustee Deland to make the annual fund designations in the amount of \$100,000 to Capital Improvement, \$20,000 to Police and \$180,000 to Fire was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes – Deland, Calhoun , Marsh and Elrod. Neys – Raczkowski and Reynolds. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was public comment from Resident John Piotrowski.

FINAL BOARD COMMENT: Trustee Raczkowski spoke to his 8 proposed resolutions. Treasurer Calhoun thanked the Boy Scouts for attending the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer Calhoun, seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Marsh, Clerk
Columbia Township