

**SPECIAL MEETING  
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
October 3, 2012  
9:00 a.m.**

A special meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, October 3, 2012 at 8500 Jefferson Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Elrod called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:** PRESENT: Reynolds, Marsh, Calhoun, Deland, Raczkowski and Elrod. Beamish arrived at 9:06am.

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

Supervisor Elrod asked if there were any changes to the agenda. A motion by Clerk Marsh to add the approval of the use of designated funds to pay for the approved upgrades to the Township Weather Alert Sirens as action item 8b, was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion to approve the agenda with the above mentioned change was made by Clerk Marsh, seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** There was discussion on the proposals to update the Township Zoning Ordinance. Supervisor Elrod will set a special 7pm meeting to allow the Board to question and discuss the proposals further with the bidders. There was also discussion on the Rules of Order for the Board of Trustees and on the status of the Brush 2 fire vehicle that was damaged due to a backfire.

**ACTION ITEMS:** A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to extend an offer of employment for K. Karl Schmidt, Jr. as the new Columbia Township Assessor at the annual rate of \$51,000 was seconded by Clerk Marsh. Ayes – Beamish, Reynolds, Marsh, Calhoun and Elrod. Nays – Raczkowski and Deland. Motion carried. A motion by Clerk Marsh to offer the position to Julie Cain – Derouin if Mr. Schmidt declines the offer, was seconded by Treasurer Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried. A motion by Treasurer Calhoun to approve the use of designated funds to pay for the Weather Alert upgrades that the Board approved at the September 25, 2012 meeting was seconded by Trustee Beamish. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Trustee Deland requested that the Rules of Order, Policy Procedure Manual and an update on his grants request be on the agenda for the October meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There was public comment from David Elwell a resident of Blackman Township.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Supervisor Elrod indicated that since there was no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Marsh, Clerk  
Columbia Township