

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
February 14, 2023

The Town Board Meeting was called to order at the Garfield Township Hall on February 14, 2023 at 6:01p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board Members

Present: Molly Agostinelli, Chris Barsheff, Steve Duell, Chuck Korn, Chloe Macomber and Denise Schmuckal

Absent and Excused: Lanie McManus

Staff Present: Planning Director John Sych

1. Public Comment (6:01)

None

2. Review and Approval of the Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:01)

Agostinelli moved and Duell seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Duell, Barsheff, Schmuckal, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

3. Consent Calendar (6:02)

a. Minutes

January 24, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
(Recommend Approval)

b. Bills

General Fund \$54,130.79
(Recommend Approval)

c. Township Strategic Plan – 2022 Year End Report (Receive and File)

d. Planning Commission Annual Report for 2022 (Receive and File)

e. Consideration of Resolution 2023-05-T, a resolution recommending approval for an On-Premises Tasting Room for Trout Possum Brewing LLC (Recommend Approval)

f. Consideration of Resolution 2023-06-T, a resolution recommending approval for a Resort Class C and SDW License for Traverse Tru B&W LLC (Recommend Approval)

Consent items a, b, e and f were removed from the consent calendar to be discussed under agenda item #4.

Barsheff moved and Duell seconded to approve the consent calendar as amended.

Yeas: Barsheff, Duell, Agostinelli, Macomber, Schmuckal, Korn

Nays: None

4. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar (6:04)

a. Minutes

January 24, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

Item 6f should read that there are "70 people identified as chronic homeless in the area", not in Garfield Township.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded the adopt the minutes of January 24, 2023 as amended.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Duell, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

b. Bills

General Fund	\$54,130.79
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After discussion, Duell moved and Barsheff seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$54,130.79.

Yeas: Duell, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

e. Consideration of Resolution 2023-05-T, a resolution recommending approval for an On-Premises Tasting Room for Trout Possum Brewing LLC.

After questions were answered, Duell moved and Barsheff seconded to approve Resolution 2023-05-T, a resolution recommending approval for an On-Premises Tasting Room for Trout Possum Brewing LLC.

Yeas: Duell, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Macomber, Korn

Nays: None

- f. **Consideration of Resolution 2023-06-T, a resolution recommending approval for a Resort Class C and SDW License for Traverse Tru B&W LLC.**

After discussion, Duell moved and Barsheff seconded to adopt Resolution 2023-06-T, a resolution recommending approval for a Resort Class C and SDW License for Traverse Tru B&W LLC.

*Yeas: Duell, Barsheff, Schmuckal, Macomber, Agostinelli, Korn
Nays: None*

5. **Correspondence (6:14)**

- a. **2022 eCities Performance for Garfield Township**

6. **Reports**

- a. **County Commissioner's Report (6:16)**

Commissioners Brad Jewett and Lauren Flynn reported that the BOC will discuss whether to hire an operations consultant to assess the county's operations. Commissioners both attended a community mental health forum and the BOC is determining how to disburse the ARPA funds to the recipients.

- b. **Sheriff's Report (6:20)**

Lt. Brinks reported on statistics for January 2023. The sheriff's department gave another presentation on fraud awareness and CPO Deputy Makowski has been busy in the schools.

- c. **Planning Department Report for February 2023 (6:23)**

Planner Sych submitted his report in writing and added that Pine Grove Homes will be moving its site from US 31 leaving a developable area. The Parks and Rec Master Plan has been submitted to the DNR.

- d. **Parks and Rec Report (6:25)**

Parks Steward Sean Kehoe submitted a report in writing and added that they are working on quotes for a new countertop in the men's room at Silver Lake. He added that his department did a drone flyover with the Sheriff's Department and staff is preparing for a tree planting at Kid's Creek.

- e. **Treasurer's Report (6:34)**

Chloe Macomber reported that she opened Michigan Class Accounts which give good rates and are liquid.

- f. **Clerk's Report (6:37)**

The clerk's report was submitted in writing.

g. Supervisor's Report (6:37)

Korn reported that mental health representatives are searching for a location in which to provide emergency mental health services. He attended an indoor sports facility group meeting and the township will be hosting a meeting to discuss housing in the area.

7. Unfinished Business

None

8. New Business

a. Public Hearing – Consideration of Resolution 2023-04-T, an amendment to the Floodplain Management Ordinance 72 (6:49)

FEMA recently completed new maps for Grand Traverse County and these maps need to be adopted and referenced in Ordinance No. 72. Korn opened the Public Hearing at 6:51pm and seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded that Resolution 2023-04-T to amend Ordinance No. 72, Flood Plain Management Ordinance, BE ADOPTED.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Macomber, Duell, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

b. Consideration of a proposal for Flock Safety cameras (6:52)

D/Captain Randy Fewless reviewed the proposal for Flock cameras with board members and stated that after working with Flock, fourteen cameras were recommended in the township.

Schmuckal moved and Barsheff seconded to approve the purchase of 14 cameras at a cost of \$39,000 with a contract to be negotiated and brought back to the board with a final cost once the terms of the contract were decided.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Barsheff, Agostinelli, Macomber, Duell, Korn
Nays: None*

c. Consideration of applying for a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Development Grant for the Grand Traverse Commons Natural Area Design Plan (7:01)

In January, the board adopted the 2023-2027 Parks and Recreation Master Plan which includes the Grand Traverse Commons Natural Area Design Plan. In anticipation of the adoption of this plan by the DNR, the Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the Township Board prepare and apply for an MTRTF grant as part of the implementation for the Grand Traverse Commons Natural Area Design Plan.

Schmuckal moved and Agostinelli seconded to direct Staff to prepare and apply for a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) development grant for the initial implementation of the Grand Traverse Commons Natural Area Design Plan.

*Yeas: Schmuckal, Agostinelli, Macomber, Duell, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

d. Consideration of Upgrading New Traffic Signals on State Highways (7:04)

Board members decided that they would not be interested in funding new traffic signals in the Gray Road intersection. Korn will get more information on signals at US 31 and Marketplace Circle and US 31 and M-37. Signal aesthetics were discussed.

e. Consideration of Nominating Fern Spence to the ZBA as a second alternate (7:14)

Duell moved and Schmuckal seconded to appoint Fern Spence to the ZBA as second alternate.

*Yeas: Duell, Schmuckal, Macomber, Agostinelli, Barsheff, Korn
Nays: None*

9. Public Comment: (7:15)

Commissioner Lauren Flynn stated that the county is looking for a group of people to help with the mental health facility mentioned above.


10. Other Business (7:15)

Schmuckal asked about the joint meeting and agenda as it pertains to the board business.

Korn stated that Northern Lakes Community Church has submitted an application for a daycare center and since they are a non-profit, asked board members if they would consider using ARPA funds to help with the benefit cost.

11. Adjournment

Korn adjourned the meeting at 7:26pm.



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