

**COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 21ST 2015 7:00PM**

A meeting of the Columbia Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Larry Burgett. Present were: L. Burgett, S. Corke, K. Curtis, R. Hurley and J. Huizenga. Roll call was taken. 19 Citizens were present.

TREASURERS REPORT:

General	\$173,649.39	Road Fund	\$328,398.88
Fire Fund	\$321,140.59	Ambulance Fund	\$88,004.96
Trust and Agency	\$2,828.36	Tax Fund	\$4,555.86
Liquor	\$3,922.64	House Fund	\$49,091.11
Police Fund	\$177,001.74	Saddle Lake Fund	\$20,584.59
North Lake Fund	\$24,467.45		

CONSENT AGENDA: Regular meeting minutes: 6-16-15; Special meeting minutes: None. Invoices thru 7-21-15 and treasurers report. Motion by Corke and seconded by Huizenga to the approve consent agenda. Motion carried.

CLERKS REPORT: Filing, synopsis, minutes, and notices. Attended Rep. Aric Nesbitt Public Officials Meeting it was very informative.

GUEST SPEAKER: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA:

SUPERVISOR: Seal coating has been done. Applications for dust control have been applied.

ASSESSOR: None

FIRE CHIEF: Call fire department if you will be burning large debris piles leave message of address of burn 269-434-6266. Month of June; 1 structure fires; 1 @ South Have; 3 power lines down, 2 gas leak. The donation to the burn camp this year is \$ 9438 from the Fire Department Pancake Breakfast. MBG donated \$6000.00. Thank you to all that helped with the breakfast and for those who attended.

POLICE: 4 traffic stops, 12 verbal warnings, 10 general non-criminal complaints, 4 criminal complaints. 0 arrests misdemeanor.

COUNTY COMM: Cr 388 will not be repaired until spring 2016. The county passed all mileages at its meeting. Grant was received for jail work weekend crew. Updated all av equipment in the court rooms.

PLANNING COMMISSION: It is being recommended to the township board that the public hearing for the changes in zoning in Grand Junction be made. Allow more square footage for businesses in commercially zoned areas.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: Neighborhood watch won a trophy in the 4th of July parade in South Haven. Please come to the monthly meetings so that we can inform YOU. August 6th, 2015 is the next meeting.

HOSPITAL: Volunteers are still needed call 269-637-5271. Relay for life team raised over \$10,000.00. SHHS took part in the 4th of July parade in South Haven again this year. Wellness Center is offering

special summer membership fee. Free sports physicals this year. The first was May 2015; processed 291 physicals. The next one is July 28th, 2015. The golf outing raised \$16,000.00 for community health and wellness programs.

SENIOR SERVICES: Senior night at Columbia Township; receive a **FREE** meal by Senior Services once a month. Senior City in South Haven also offers a **FREE** meal once a month. Activities available at Senior City are: Tai Chi, Hand Chimes, Computer lessons, Pickle ball, Card games, Line Dancing, call 269-637-3607 for more information.

CEMETERY: The committee will meet to discuss clean up in the cemeteries.

BALL FIELD: The ball field is being used again tonight by the church leagues.

ZONING: Upon being approached by Family Dollar it is recommended to changes areas in town to commercial.

LAWSUIT: No report.

FOIA REPORT: Request from Speicher for monthly meeting packets for Board meetings; Planning Commission meetings; ZBA and BOR meetings. Also requests to be notified of any special meetings of the Board or Committees and public hearings for the remainder of the 2015 year.

CORRESPONDENSE: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) Motion by Corke seconded by Curtis to approve the updated FOIA Policy/ Resolution 2015-17. Motion carried.
- 2.) Motion by Burgett seconded by Huizenga to approve Dean Beckwith as Senior Service Representative for Columbia Township. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

BOARD COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Huizenga seconded by Curtis. Time 7:42 pm

Larry Burgett, Supervisor

Stacey Corke, Clerk