

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND

205 N. John Street Auditorium Highland, Michigan 48357 248/887-3791

REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA

September 20, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.

Based on the December 7, 2020, Board of Trustees Resolution Declaring and Confirming Coronavirus Local State of Emergency and the COVID-19 epidemic declared by the Director of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, this meeting will be held by electronic remote access that provides 2-way telephone or video conferencing as permitted by and in accordance with the Open Meetings Act as amended by Public Act No. 228 of 2020.

The public may participate in the meeting through Zoom by computer, tablet or smart phone using the following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85867326406. New to Zoom? Get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts September 20, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. Meeting ID: 858 6732 6406.

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Members of the public will only be able to speak during the Public Comment period at the beginning of the meeting and Public Hearing, such comments will be limited to three minutes per person. To provide for orderly public participation, a person wishing to speak must first state their name and request to be recognized by the Chairperson of the meeting. The Chairperson will recognize all persons wishing to speak during the public comment period. Prior to the meeting, members of the public may contact the members of the Highland Township Board of Trustees to provide input or ask questions by email or mail to the Township employee/official and at the address listed below. Persons with disabilities in need of accommodations to be able to participate in the meeting should provide at least 24-hour advance notice to the listed Township employee by phone, email, or mail and an attempt will be made to provide reasonable accommodations.

Tami Flowers MiPMC, Clerk Charter Township of Highland 205 North John Street, Highland, Michigan 48357 Email: clerk@highlandtwp.org

Phone: (248) 887-3791 Extension 5

- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll
- 4. Approval of Agenda
- 5. Consent Agenda

Approve:

- a) August 30, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
- b) List of Bills dated September 9, 2021, and September 23, 2021, plus additions
- c) Appoint Judy Cooper to Election Commission

Receive and File:

- a) Road Commission for Oakland County Road Report
- 6. Announcements and Information Inquiry:
 - a) Farmers Market on Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. thru October 9th
- 7. Public Comment
- 8. New Business:
 - a) Award Bid for 2005 F-350 Ambulance
 - b) Budget Amendment Township Improvements and Police Renovations
 - c) Budget Amendment Activity Center Rent Expense
 - d) Discussion of 2022 Budget
- 9. Adjourn

1.	Call Meeting to Order
	Time:
	Number of Visitors:

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Township Board Meeting Roll Date: September 20, 2021

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	Board Member
		Rick A. Hamill
		Tami Flowers
		Jenny Frederick
		Judy Cooper
		Brian Howe
		Beth Lewis
		Joseph Salvia
Start Time		Fnd Time:

4. Approval of Agenda

5a. Consent Agenda Approval

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AUGUST 30, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Rick Hamill, Supervisor

Tami Flowers, Clerk

Jennifer Frederick, Treasurer

Judy Cooper, Trustee Brian Howe, Trustee Beth Lewis, Trustee Joseph Salvia, Trustee

Also Present: Ken Chapman, Fire Chief

Lisa Hamameh, Township Attorney Matt Snyder, Lieutenant OCSO

Visitors: 6

Approval of Agenda:

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Lewis supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

Consent Agenda Approval:

- a) August 2, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
- b) List of Bills dated August 12, 2021 and August 27, 2021 plus additions
- c) 2021-2022 Snowplow Contract Renewal
- d) Increase Crossing Guard Salary

Receive and File:

Activity Center Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – July 14, 2021

Activity Center Director's Report – July 2021

Building Department Report – July 2021

Financial Report - July 2021

Fire Department Report – July 2021

Library Director's Report - July 2021

Library Board Minutes – July 6, 2021 and August 2, 2021

Ordinance Enforcement – July 2021

Ordinance Inspections – July 2021

Sheriff's Department Report – July 2021

Treasurer's Report - July 2021

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

Announcements and Information Inquiry:

- a) Township Offices are closed Monday, September 6, 2021, in observance of Labor Day
- b) Farmers Market on Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. noon thru October 9th
- c) Thank You Letter to Highland Fire Department from White Lake Township

Public Comment:

Questions regarding the township hall building renovation. Board Members questioned procedure regarding exiting from Fire Hall 1 onto M-59. Public encouraged to attend Farmers Market. Fireworks will be on the school property at M-59 and John Street and festivities will be at the Sav-A-Lot Plaza on Saturday, September 4, 2021. Community Service workers have been cleaning headstones at Highland Cemetery. Resident thanked Supervisor Hamill and Clerk Flowers for answering his questions. Trustee reported he received a complaint from a resident regarding noise on Reid Road.

Pending Business:

a) Adopt Rezoning Request from ARR, Agricultural and Rural Residential to R-1.5, Single Family Residential 1.5 acre Zoning District, 1867 Pettibone Lake Rd, PIN 11-35-101-005, applicant: James Long

Mrs. Cooper moved to Approve the Rezoning Request from ARR, Agricultural and Rural Residential to R-1.5, Single Family Residential 1.5 acre Zoning District, 1867 Pettibone Lake Rd, PIN 11-35-101-005, applicant: James Long as presented. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

b) Six Rivers Acquisition Assistance Agreement

Ms. Frederick moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Six Rivers Acquisition Assistance Agreement. Mr. Salvia supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

c) Township Hall Building Renovation

Ms. Frederick moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign Exhibit A Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment for the Township Renovation Project in the amount of \$6,935,504.78. Mr. Salvia supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

Ms. Frederick moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign Exhibit A Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment for the Oakland County Sheriff Substation Exterior Renovation in the amount of \$832,284.92. Mr. Salvia supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

Beth Corwin was recognized for coordinating the move, Steve Tino for the construction management of the temporary offices and Jeremy Werthman for the extra time and effort he put in helping with the move and setting-up the offices. Staff was also thanked for their cooperation and assistance with the transition.

New Business:

a) Rental Lease for Activity Center Temporary Location

Mr. Hamill moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the rental lease agreement upon confirmation the previous tenant has vacated, and that lease is terminated. Mr. Salvia supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

b) Budget Amendment – Metro Authority

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Budget Amendment – Metro Authority as presented. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

c) Budget Amendment – Election Reimbursement

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Budget Amendment – Election Reimbursement as presented. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

d) Budget Amendment - Capital Improvement

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Budget Amendment – Capital Improvement as presented. Mrs. Lewis supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

Adjourn:

Supervisor Hamil	l adjourned	I the meeting a	at 7:48 p.m.
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Tami Flowers, MiPMC	Rick A. Hamill
Highland Township Clerk	Highland Township Supervisor

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Payment Approval Report - by GL Account Remittance by Check Report dates: 9/9/2021-9/9/2021

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ENERAL FUND)				
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6425	BETTER BUILT	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00604	08/27/2021	2,026.00
6425	BETTER BUILT	101-REFUSE FEE	B20-00604	08/27/2021	69.00-
7561	COMET SERVICES LLC	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	BDemo21-00002	08/27/2021	250.00
8342	EXCEL HOME IMPROVEMENT	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00081	08/27/2021	250.00
5917	HANSON'S WINDOW & CONST.	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00408	08/27/2021	125.00
1498	HIGHLAND TOWNSHIP	101-REINSPECTION FEE	B20-00239	08/27/2021	57.00
1708	HIGHLAND TWP. SOLID WASTE FUND	101-REFUSE FEE	B20-00604	08/27/2021	69.00
5827	HSI	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00481	08/27/2021	125.00
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8345	KIND, TYLER	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00368	08/30/2021	125.00
3801	M J WHELAN CONSTRUCTION	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00472	08/31/2021	1,025.00
7643	MARK SWIASTYN	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00587	08/27/2021	250.00
6705	MICHIGAN SOLAR SOLUTIONS	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00496	08/31/2021	250.00
3117	MOBILE & MODULAR HOMES INC.	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00415	08/30/2021	250.00
3117	MOBILE & MODULAR HOMES INC.	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00707	08/30/2021	250.00
	MULTI SERVE INC	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00568	08/27/2021	125.00
7340	POWER HOME SOLAR	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00541	08/31/2021	500.00
6588	QHR LLC	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00066	08/27/2021	250.00
6123	QUALITY HOME REMODELING	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00257	08/27/2021	250.00
6826	RENEWAL BY ANDERSON LLC	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00239	08/27/2021	125.00
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6567	SPENCER KNISH CONSTRUCTION	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00176	08/27/2021	250.00
8347	TOBIN, PATRICK	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00095	09/01/2021	500.00
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8163	ULTIMATE CARE & MAINTENANCE	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00657	08/31/2021	125.00
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8163	ULTIMATE CARE & MAINTENANCE	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00678	08/27/2021	125.00
8163	ULTIMATE CARE & MAINTENANCE	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00679	08/27/2021	125.00
8163	ULTIMATE CARE & MAINTENANCE	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00686	08/31/2021	125.00
6102	WALLSIDE INC.	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00431	08/27/2021	125.00
6102	WALLSIDE INC.	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00513	08/27/2021	125.00
6083	WEATHERGARD WINDOW CO. INC.	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B20-00559	08/21/2021	125.0
8343	WINDOW WORLD DETROIT	101-ESCROW/BUILDING	B21-00711	08/27/2021	250.0
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6317	OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER	101- DELINQUENT TAX PAYBACK	12002 31-AUG-21	08/31/2021	132.4
Total :					12,808.4
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3152	KOPACKI, KRIS	101-PICK UP ELECTION EQUIPMENT	946	08/29/2021	150.00
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	CONSUMERS ENERGY	101-205 N JOHN-TWP OFFICES	204744623956	08/23/2021	108.46
	DTE ENERGY	101- STREETLIGHTS 9100-4056-3462	200203085584	09/01/2021	3,976.6
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	FIVE STAR ACE	101-AIR FILTER	26423	08/26/2021	14.47
	FREEDOM WORK OPPORTUNITIES	101-LAWN MAINTENANCE	3053	08/30/2021	2,092.00
	KOPACKI, KRIS	101-WATER TWP	947	08/29/2021	170.00
	MR. MAT RENTAL SERVICE	101-MONTHLY CHG - TWP	2327421	08/25/2021	27.20
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1350	EQUITABLE RETIREMENT	101-DEF CONTR 3RD QTR-TWP PLAN ID 652977	6888767	09/02/2021	5,089.50
Total GENI	ERAL GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL B:				13,505.52
UILDING					
01-371-801.000	BLDG: INSP/ELEC/PLUMB/HTG				
9261	DUNCAN LLC, JEFFREY	101-INSPECTIONS	8/18/21-8/31/21	08/31/2021	1,880.67
1199	GREG CALME ELECTRIC LLC	101-INSPECTIONS	08/18/21-08/31/21	08/31/2021	1,397.0
9168	LUTTMAN, ROBERT J.	101-INSPECTIONS	8/18/21-8/31-21	08/31/2021	3,574.0
Total BUIL	DING:				6,851.68
EMETERY					
01-567-935.000	CEMETERY: SEXTON				
1127	HURON CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	101-CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	SEP 2021	08/26/2021	3,434.0
Total CEMI	ETERY:				3,434.0
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	ACTIVITY CTR: PHONE SERVICE				
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2680	KINGSETT LLC D/B/A SPINAL COLUMN	101-ADVERTISEMENT-ACT CTR	33381	06/16/2021	590.00
101-672-920.000	ACTIVITY CTR: UTILITIES				
1375	CONSUMERS ENERGY	101-209 N JOHN ST ACTIVITY CENTER	204744623955	08/23/2021	103.74
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1375	CONSUMERS ENERGY	101-205 W. LIVINGSTON RD-ANNEX	204744623954	08/23/2021	15.00
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1839	ABSOPURE WATER CO.	101-5 GALLON SPRING-ACTIVITY CTR.	88041097	08/09/2021	15.20
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2596	FIVE STAR ACE	101-GORILLA TAPE	26402	08/24/2021	12.99
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2694	GOYETTE MECHANICAL	101-INSPECT FURNACES-ANNEX	910085572	08/23/2021	188.25
8350	MOLDQUEST INTERNATIONAL LLC	101-MOLD TESTING-ANNEX	10736	08/19/2021	1,100.00
101-672-938.000	ACTIVITY CTR: OFF. EQUIP MAINT				•
2059	APPLIED IMAGING	101-COPIER MAINT. CONTRACT-ACT. CTR	1794619	08/20/2021	412.36
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PLANNING & OI	RDINANCE				
101-701-935.000	OE: VIOLATION CORRECTIONS				
1366	TPC LAWN & LANDSCAPE	101-ORDINANCE MOW LASALLE	2950	08/29/2021	155.00
Total PLAN	NNING & ORDINANCE:				155.00
PLANNING COM	MMISSION				
101-703-900.000	PLNG COMM: ADVERTISING/PRTG				
2680	KINGSETT LLC D/B/A SPINAL COLUMN	101-ADVERTISEMENTS LEGAL-PLNG COMM	33748	08/04/2021	484.50
Total PLAN	NNING COMMISSION:				484.50
PARKS					
_	PARKS: DUCK LAKE PINES				
	FREEDOM WORK OPPORTUNITIES	101-LAWN MAINTENANCE-DUCK LAKE	3056	08/31/2021	600.00
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Total GENI	ERAL FUND:				53,513.07
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	FIRE: INSURANCE/BONDS				
	MML WORKERS' COMP FUND	206-5550950-20 PREMIUM 7/1/20-6/30/21 AUDIT	3879206	07/27/2021	6,374.00
	FIRE: SUPPLIES	OCC 5 CALL ON ORDING WATER OTA 4	45044	00/00/0004	07.0
	ABSOPURE WATER CO.	206-5 GALLON SPRING WATER-STA. 1	15941	08/09/2021	67.05
	HIGHLAND SUPPLY INC.	206-STATION SUPPLIES	4025306	08/16/2021	239.79
	PETER'S TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	206-STATION SUPPLIES	K59180	08/25/2021	150.9
	FIRE: UNIFORMS	OOC CLACC A COLIMARTZ	0.4005	00/00/0004	254.4
	ALLIE BROTHERS	206-CLASS A SCHWARTZ	84205	08/20/2021	354.4 269.9
	ALLIE BROTHERS FIRE: VEHICLE GAS/OIL	206-CLASS A SCHWARTZ JACKET UNIFORM ALLOWANC	84205	08/20/2021	209.9
	WEX BANK	206-GAS FOR MARSHAL VEHICLE	73728742	08/31/2021	51.0
	WEX BANK	206-GAS FOR MARSHAL VEHICLES	73728742	08/31/2021	3,493.2
	WEX BANK	206-GAS FOR FIRE VEHICLES	73728742	08/31/2021	3,493.2 46.6
	FIRE: SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	200-GAS FOR FINE VEHICLES	13120142	00/31/2021	40.0
	IMAGETREND INC.	206-NFIRS/EPCR REPORTING SYSTEM	130210	08/20/2021	5,064.7
	FIRE: PUBLIC UTILITIES	200-IN INO/LI GIVILLI GIVIING STOTLIN	130210	00/20/2021	3,004.7
	CONSUMERS ENERGY	206-510 CLYDE RD ST#3	202163872809	08/23/2021	22.6
	CONSUMERS ENERGY	206-250 W LIVINGSTON RD-ST#1	204744623952	08/23/2021	138.7
	CONSUMERS ENERGY	206-3550 DUCK LK RD ST#2	204744623953	08/24/2021	93.6
	FIRE: VEHICLE REPAIR	200 0000 BOOK EKIND OTHE	204744020000	00/24/2021	00.0
	GRABOWSKI, ADAM	206-2014 F450 (R211) TURBO REPAIR	08262021	08/26/2021	462.8
	HALT FIRE INC.	206-MISC VEHICEL REPAIR	445234	08/09/2021	149.6
	FIRE: BLDG MAINT/REPAIR			00,00,202.	
	OVERHEAD DOOR WEST COMMERCIAL	206-FS1 REAR BAY DOOR REPAIR (OLD STATION)	36345	08/16/2021	372.5
	PETER'S TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	206-FS1 MAILBOX AND MISC	K59153	08/24/2021	119.4
06-336-937.000	FIRE: EQUIP MAINT				
2059	APPLIED IMAGING	206-COPIER MAINTENANCE	1795370	08/23/2021	140.5
Total FIRE	:				17,518.7
Total FIRE	FUND:				17,518.7

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POLICE					
07-301-935.000	POLICE: SHERIFF'S MAINT				
1839	ABSOPURE WATER CO.	207-5GALLON WATER	88041103	08/09/2021	33.9
1375	CONSUMERS ENERGY	207-165 N JOHN ST	204744623951	08/23/2021	26.4
1581	MR. MAT RENTAL SERVICE	207-MONTHLY CHG	2325929	07/28/2021	52.7
1581	MR. MAT RENTAL SERVICE	207-MONTHLY CHG	2327419	08/25/2021	52.7
1157	TOP NOTCH CLEANING SERVICES	207-MONTHLY CHG - AUG	1267	08/30/2021	675.0
Total POLI	CE:				840.9
Total POLI	CE FUND:				840.9
APITAL IMPRO	OVEMENT FUND				
SENERAL GOV					
01-261-971.012	TOWNSHIP RELOCATION EXPENSES				
8348	ALLWEATHER HEATING & COOLING	401-REPAIR AC-250 W LIVINGSTON	08302021	08/30/2021	279.0
2065	CUSTOM PLUS INC.	401-VINYL BANNER	11157	08/20/2021	44.0
3152	KOPACKI, KRIS	401-MOVE FURNITURE	945	08/29/2021	95.0
8305	MICHIGAN OFFICE MOVERS	401-RELOCATE TWP OFFICES	005887	08/30/2021	317.7
01-261-971.020	250 W LIVINGSTON IMPROVEMENTS				
8253	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	401-3 TOILETS-250 W LIVINGSTON RD	1NKD-W7X7-GKQF	09/01/2021	3,300.0
8352	ENNIS, MIKE	401-REMODEL-250 W. LIVINGSTON	08302021	08/30/2021	270.0
2596	FIVE STAR ACE	401-PARTS FOR BATHROOM-250 W LIVINGSTON	26451	08/30/2021	27.4
1021	GILL-ROY'S HARDWARE	401-REMODEL-250 W. LIVINGSTON	2109-935334	09/01/2021	16.1
1288	IVERSON'S LUMBER COMPANY	401-DROP CEILING	2108-030284	08/23/2021	170.7
1288	IVERSON'S LUMBER COMPANY	401-REMODEL-250 W LIVINGSTON	2108-030743	08/25/2021	70.9
1288	IVERSON'S LUMBER COMPANY	401-DROP CEILING	2108-031077	08/26/2021	203.8
1288	IVERSON'S LUMBER COMPANY	401-DROP CEILING	2108-031079	08/26/2021	104.2
1288	IVERSON'S LUMBER COMPANY	401-RESTROOMS-250 W LIVINGSTON	2108-032177	08/31/2021	66.5
1288	IVERSON'S LUMBER COMPANY	401-REMODEL-250 W LIVINGSTON	2108-032198	08/31/2021	9.7
1288	IVERSON'S LUMBER COMPANY	401-RESTROOMS-250 W. LIVINGSTON	2109-032291	09/01/2021	18.4
5949	JT'S CARPENTRY INC.	401-FRAMING WORK-250 W LIVINGSTON	1	07/31/2026	2,600.0
Total GEN	ERAL GOVERNMENT:				7,593.8
Total CAPI	TAL IMPROVEMENT FUND:				7,593.8
IRE CAPITAL F	FUND				
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02-336-971.003	CONSTR IN PROCESS FIRE MIL ST1				
	CONSUMERS ENERGY	402-1600 W HIGHLAND FS#1	201629921904	08/24/2021	67.8

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8344	ENERTRON LLC	402-FS1 LOW VOLTAGE EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION	CW8580	08/26/2021	37,249.78
	GRACON SERVICES INC.	402-FS1 IT CONNECTIVITY	14146	08/25/2021	744.38
	PARTNR HAUS	402-FS1 ADDITIONAL STORAGE DEPOSIT - FURNITURE	20139	08/27/2021	1.098.00
	PASZKOWSKI, JEFFREY	402-RACKS FOR HOSE DRYER (MATERIAL TO BUILD)	5145	08/06/2021	727.00
	PETER'S TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	402-FS1 AIR COMPRESSOR INSTALLATION	59238	08/29/2021	24.94
	PETER'S TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	402-FS1 AIR COMPRESSOR HOOK UP	K59140	08/23/2021	35.68
Total FIRE	:				39,947.58
Total FIRE	CAPITAL FUND:				39,947.58
DOWNTOWN DE	EVELOPMENT FUND				
DOWNTOWN DE	EVELOPMENT AUTHORITY				
494-729-808.000	DDA: CONSULTANT CASSIE BLASCYK				
9249	BLASCYK, CASSIE R.	494-MONTHLY CONSULTATION FEE	408	09/01/2021	600.00
494-729-880.002	DDA: ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING				
2680	KINGSETT LLC D/B/A SPINAL COLUMN	494-ADVERTISING	33583	07/21/2021	455.00
494-729-880.003					
	BRIEN'S SERVICES INC.	494-MONTHLY MAINTENANCE-AUG	40539	08/23/2021	770.00
	KOPACKI, KRIS	495-WATER FLOWER GARDENS	940	08/19/2021	495.00
3152	KOPACKI, KRIS	495-WATER FLOWER GARDENS	948	08/29/2021	495.00
494-729-920.000	DDA: RENT/ UTILITIES				
9090	NET EXPRESS VOIP	494-PHONE SERVICE DDA	429210823	08/23/2021	5.54
494-729-935.000	DDA: MAINTENANCE FOUR CORNERS				
3152	KOPACKI, KRIS	494-REMOVE/INSTALL BANNERS	944	08/19/2021	125.00
494-729-967.000	DDA: FARMERS' MARKET				
6494	BEARDSLEY, RICK	494-SOUND-FARMERS MARKET	2021-20	08/31/2021	50.00
7758	GLENN, ALEXANDRA	494-SETUP/TEAR DOWN FARMERS MKT	2021-04	08/31/2021	80.00
2680	KINGSETT LLC D/B/A SPINAL COLUMN	494-ADVERTISING-CHALK IT UP	33584	07/21/2021	455.00
6807	TWISS, TIMOTHY	494-ENTERTAINMENT-FARMERS MARKET	2021-21	08/31/2021	50.00
7825	VALENTINE, GARY	494-ENTERTAINMENT/SOUND-FARMERS MARKET	2021-22	08/31/2021	100.00
Total DOW	NTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:				3,680.54
Total DOW	NTOWN DEVELOPMENT FUND:				3,680.54
HIGHLAND ADV	ISORY COUNCIL				
GENERAL GOV	ERNMENT				
	HAAC: DEDUCTIONS				
8351	RATLIFF RENTALS	702-BOUNCE HOUSE RENTALS	1808	08/31/2021	900.00

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Total GENERAL GOVER	RNMENT:				900.00
Total HIGHLAND ADVIS	ORY COUNCIL:				900.00
CURRENT TAX COLLECT					
703-000-274.000 TAX COLLE 8353 DOWKER, S		703-TAX REFUND	11-06-401-005	09/01/2021	4,280.72
Total :					4,280.72
Total CURRENT TAX CO	OLLECT:				4,280.72
POST-RETIREMENT BENEFI GENERAL GOVERNMENT PI 737-279-719.000 RETIREE O	ERSONNEL B				
	ROUP BENEFITS INC.	737-RETIREE HEALTH PREMIUMS	6927470	07/26/2021	450.00
	ROUP BENEFITS INC.	737-RETIREE HEALTH PREMIUMS	6971069	08/26/2021	450.00
1811 COOPER, J		737-DENTAL REIMBURSEMENT	08262021	06/23/2021	285.00
2499 GIBSON, W		737-RETIREE DENTAL REIMBURSEMENT	08162021	08/16/2021	70.20
2499 GIBSON, W		737-RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	SEP 2021	09/01/2021	202.59
1181 KILEY, JUDI		737-RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	SEP 2021	08/26/2021	200.00
9095 PATTERSOI		737-RETIREE DENTAL REIMBURSEMENT	08312021	08/31/2021	143.00
9095 PATTERSOI		737-RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	SEP 2021	09/01/2021	184.55
1311 PILCHOWS	KI, PATRICIA	737-RETIREE DENTAL REIMBURSEMENT	08302021	08/30/2021	108.00
1206 REGAN, RIT	ГА	737-RETIREE VISION REIMBURSEMENT	08032021	08/03/2021	239.20
1373 WAGNER, F	PATRICIA G.	737-RETIREE DENTAL REIMBURSEMENT	08172021	08/17/2021	194.40
1373 WAGNER, F	PATRICIA G.	737-RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	AUG 2021	09/01/2021	213.54
1497 WEINBURG	ER, JOSEPH F.	737-RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT	SEP 2021	08/26/2021	401.85
Total GENERAL GOVER	RNMENT PERSONNEL B:				3,142.33
Total POST-RETIREME	NT BENEFITS:				3,142.33
KELLOGG LAKE ASSOC					
RUST & AGENCY ADMIN	AKE DEDUCTIONS				
767-255-956.000 KELLOGG		767 MEED 8 ALCAE TOPATMENT VELLOCOLAVE	4004500	00/04/0004	4 000 00
9023 PLIVI LAKE	& LAND MANAGEMENT CORP	767-WEED & ALGAE TREATMENT-KELLOGG LAKE	4001583	08/24/2021	1,080.00

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Total KELLOGG LAKE	ASSOC:				1,080.00
WOODRUFF LAKE ASSOC TRUST & AGENCY ADMIN 769-255-956.000 WOODRUF 1081 AQUA-WEE	F LAKE: DEDUCTIONS ED CONTROL INC.	769-WEED/ALGAE-WOODRUFF LAKE	16536	08/25/2021	3,730.00
Total TRUST & AGENC	Y ADMIN:				3,730.00
Total WOODRUFF LAK	E ASSOC:				3,730.00
Grand Totals:					136,227.71

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Number	Invoice Date	Invoice Amount
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101-279-711.000 1502	D IERNMENT PERSONNEL B D GGP: DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN VANTAGEPOINT TRANSFER AGENTS-109785 ERAL GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL B:	101-DEF CONTR 3RD QTR-TWP PLAN # 109785	600469	09/02/2021	12,403.78
Total GEN	ERAL FUND:				12,403.78
	FIRE:DEFINED CONTRIBUTION F-T VANTAGEPOINT TRANSFER AGENTS-109785	206-DEF CONTR 3RD QTR- PLAN # 109785	600469	09/02/2021	5,514.75
Total FIRE	FUND:				5,514.75
	D REFUSE: CONTRACTOR GFL ENVIRONMENTAL USA	227-MONTHLY CONTRACT-AUGUST	51159323	09/01/2021	87,616.49
Total REF	USE:				87,616.49
Total REF	USE FUND:				87,616.49
Grand Total	als:				105,535.02

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Total GENERAL FUND:		65,916.85
Total FIRE FUND:		23,033.47
Total POLICE FUND:		840.93
Total REFUSE FUND:		87,616.49
Total CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND:		7,593.82
Total FIRE CAPITAL FUND:		39,947.58
Total DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT FUND:		3,680.54
Total HIGHLAND ADVISORY COUNCIL:		900.00
Total CURRENT TAX COLLECT:		4,280.72
Total POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS:		3,142.33
Total KELLOGG LAKE ASSOC:		1,080.00
Total WOODRUFF LAKE ASSOC:		3,730.00
Grand Totals:		241,762.73

Payroll and Hand Checks September 20, 2021 List of Bills

GENERAL FUND

Payroll Taxes (FICA & FWT) General/Fire Payroll 9/3/2021	\$ \$	18,382.83 55,884.93
Equitable - Deferred Comp. ICMA - Deferred Comp. Flexible Savings Account Garnishments Highland Firefighters Assn	\$ \$ \$ \$	1,350.00 1,394.10 661.69 300.00
Highland Firefighters Union Dues-Full-Time Highland Firefighters Union Dues-Part-Time	\$ \$	350.00 588.00
OPEB Monthly Transfer	\$	166.67
9/30/2021 DDA LOAN-Monthly	\$	3,771.83

The following need to be added to the List of Bills dated 9/9/2021:

- 1. Frank Cleere Fund 401 for \$3500 drywall work at 250 W Livingston Rd
- 2. Six Rivers Land Conservancy Fund 401 for \$5000 Hickory Ridge Rd property

List of Bills dated 09-23-21 will be provided when available.



Memorandum

To: Township Board of Trustees

From: Tami Flowers, Clerk Date: September 9, 2021

Subject: Appointment to Election Commission

The Township Election Commission consists of the Clerk and two Board Members. For the last several years, Brian Howe and MaryPat Chynoweth served on the commission. I am asking the board to appoint Judy Cooper to fill the open position.



5b. Receive and File:

Road Report

A publication of the Road Commission for Oakland County for public officials serving Oakland County WWW. [RGOGWE] Doo [RG]

Road Commission's 2022 budget means continued improvement to county's road system

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) fiscal year 2022 budget paves the way for the agency to continue the forward march toward improved road conditions across the county, boasting more than \$62 million in annual contributions toward road-improvement projects planned to be under construction in 2022 and future years.

"In each of the past years since 2017, the first year of the new road funding resulting from the state's 2015 road-funding package, we have improved the overall condition of the county roads. That will again be the case in 2022," stated RCOC Managing Director Dennis Kolar.

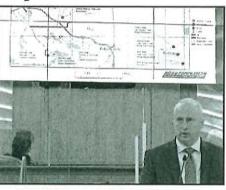
The budget was expected to be approved by the RCOC Board on Sept. 23 and was presented at a public hearing Aug. 19. RCOC's fiscal year runs Oct. 1 through Sept. 30.

The \$180 million budget represents an increase of about \$19.2 million compared to the \$161 million 2021 budget. The 2022 budget increased primarily due to increases in state and federal road funds.

RCOC anticipates receiving almost \$115 million in state road funding in fiscal year 2022, compared to just over \$102 million received in 2021. State road funding is derived primarily from state-collected fuel taxes, vehicle-registration fees and state General Fund dollars.

Fiscal year 2021 marked the final year of new, additional state road funding tied to the 2015 Michigan road-funding-increase package. The state dollars continue to represent RCOC's largest source of funding and its main funding source for operations.

The remaining revenue making up the budget comes from local community contributions (\$17.3 million) federal funds



RCOC Deputy Managing Director Gary Piotrowicz presents the list of 2022 projects at the Aug. 19 budget public hearing.

(\$28.5 million), the contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to maintain state highways in the CONT'D ON PAGE 2 — SEE BUDGET

Oakland County traffic-fatality rate remains well below state and national levels

Once again in 2020, Oakland County saw a substantially lower traffic-fatality rate on its roads than did either the state as a whole or the nation.

The county, state and national fatality rates were recently released for 2020. For the year, Oakland County's fatality rate remained less than half of both the statewide rate and the national rate.

In fact, Oakland County has had the lowest, or among the lowest, traffic-fatality rates in the state nearly every year for decades. In part that is the result of the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) making safety its top priority since the 1970s. Since that time, the agency has been a national leader in traf-



fic safety and one of the first and most aggressive users of traffic-crash data to drive traffic-safety improvements.

For 2020, Oakland County's traffic-fatality rate was 0.64 deaths per 100 million miles of vehicle travel. For the year, the statewide rate was 1.37 fatalities per 100 million miles of vehicle

travel and the national rate was 1.49.

"Despite the pandemic, we remained focused on safety on our roads," stated Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) Managing Director Dennis Kolar. "Safety is our number-one priority, and while we are always striving to reduce the number of crashes, and even one fatality is too many, it is still

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Strat Plan report coming

Steps in a road project . .4

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ROAD COMMISSION Tor OAKLAND COUNTY

New Road Commission video explains subdivision paving process

One of the more frequent questions the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) receives from the public is, "How do I get my subdivision street repaved?"

To help provide the answer to this question, RCOC recently produced an informational video about its Special Assessment District (SAD) subdivision paving program. The video is available on RCOC's YouTube channel at: https://youtu.be/BwhzmyzdrWI.

While RCOC does not own any subdivision or neighborhood streets in cities or villages in the county, it does own all public subdivision streets in Oakland County townships. However, the agency only receives approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000 per year per mile of subdivision street in state road funding, which is only

enough to cover routine maintenance activities, such as pothole patching and snow plowing – it is far from enough to pay for the resurfacing of the streets (or paving the streets if they are gravel). The Road Commission does not receive any property tax revenues and is funded primarily through the state fuel taxes, vehicle-registration fees and state income tax.

As a result, residents wishing to have their subdivision streets repaved must initiate an RCOC SAD program project, through which the Road Commission establishes a special tax assessment district to pay for the paving project. RCOC then designs and oversees the project on behalf of the residents.

The new video gives an overview of the process.

Strat Plan meetings done; report coming soon

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) has completed its biennial series of Strategic Planning meetings with the leaders of virtually every community in the county. The agency is now in the process of compiling a report of what was shared with and learned from the communities. The report is expected out by the end of the year and will be distributed to all public officials in the county.

moving forward – at least for the next

couple of years," LaLonde added.

RCOC Vice Chair Nancy Quarles concurred. "We have always operated in a fiscally conservative manor," she explained. "Even during the last year and a half, when state revenues dropped due to COVID-19, we remained in solid fiscal condition," she stated.

Board Member Ron Fowkes added the Board is hopeful that RCOC will receive some of the federal relief dollars related to the pandemic, either through the state or through Oakland County general government, to make up for the approximately \$15 million in state revenue the agency lost in 2020 and 2021. "Our gas-tax and vehicle-registration-fee revenues dropped in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic," he explained. "The federal government has dedicated a lot of money to restoring services impacted by the pandemic. Road commissions are not direct recipients of any of that money, so it would be great if either the state or the county sent some of those dollars our way."

Managing Director Kolar agreed. "The \$15 million we lost would have repaired a

Act 51: Not the same law enacted in 1951

It's a recurring chorus: On a regular basis, as the state Legislature debates how to solve Michigan's road-funding shortage, someone will suggest the problem is simply that the state law governing the distribution of those dollars – Act 51 – needs to be updated.

The argument goes like this: The law was enacted in 1951, so it must be outdated. While that may be a way to avoid discussing how to actually raise more money for roads, it is not accurate.

In fact, the law, which has been updated numerous times since 1951, is doing a pretty good job of fairly distributing the insufficient funds available for roads.

The law has been amended 93 times since being enacted; 54 of the 75 sections have been added since 1951; 45 of the sections have been amended (some multiple times); and of the 75 sections, only 12 remain in original form. This is not the law that was enacted in 1951.

Nor is the problem the way the pie is sliced. No recipient of state road dollars is adequately funded; changing Act 51 would not solve the problem.

lot of roads," Kolar said. "If we could get reimbursed for some of that loss, we would certainly put the money to good use."

The budget includes the 2022 Road Improvement Program (RIP) which identifies next year's road-construction projects (see full list of projects is on page 3). Among the planned projects are:

- Constructing a roundabout at the Avon Road/Dequindre Road intersection in Rochester Hills
- Major resurfacing of Orchard Lake Road from Middlebelt Road to Old Telegraph in Bloomfield Twp., West Bloomfield Twp., Sylvan Lake and Pontiac
- Resurfacing of 10 Mile Road, Meadowbrook to Haggerty in Novi
- Resurfacing of 14 Mile Road, Barrington to Dequindre in Madison Heights & Troy

Projects are selected using a computerized road-assessment program combined with engineers' analysis and a review of safety data.

The budget is posted on the RCOC Website, www.rcocweb.org (click on the "Financials" button on the home page, select "Budget Summary" and click on "2021-22 Budget").

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county (\$11.9 million), state Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) grants (\$2.4 million), federal funds for traffic signals (\$2.3 million) and permit fees and other revenues (\$2.9 million).

The TEDF and federal funds are awarded on a project-by-project basis, and the amount RCOC receives from each source fluctuates from year to year.

The 2022 budget includes nearly \$62.3 million in annual contributions toward road-improvement projects planned to be under construction in 2022 and future years; \$38.3 million for road maintenance efforts such as pothole patching, gravel road grading and salting and plowing in the winter; and \$18.1 million for maintaining traffic signs, signals, pavement markings and guardrails among other activities.

The remainder of the budget is dedicated to operating expenses including customer services, vehicle maintenance, staff wages, buildings and grounds and administration.

"The Road Commission remains in a strong financial position," reports RCOC Board Chair Andrea LaLonde. "Despite having lost revenue this year as a result of COVID-19, we are in a strong position

2022 Road Improvement Program

This list includes only projects that are expected to be constructed in FY 2022, not those where only design or only right of way (ROW) acquisition work is planned for 2022. To avoid confusion over the project costs, the costs listed are the estimated total project costs which may span multiple fiscal years and not the annual contributions for each project.

Repair, Rehabilitate & Resurface (repair road base/add 3 to 4 inches new asphalt) Orchard Lake Road, Middlebelt to Old Telegraph in West Bloomfield Twp., Sylvan Lake, Pontiac, Bloomfield Twp. 14 Mile Road, Barrington to Dequindre in Madison Heights and Troy Novi Road, 9 Mile to 10 Mile in Novi 10 Mile Road, Meadowbrook to Haggerty in Novi (includes replacement of two culverts & addition of center, left-turn lane) Mann Road, Floretta to Clintonville in Independence Twp. (includes culvert replacement) Holcomb Road, west township line to Clarkston Village line in Independence Twp. Maybee Road, Dixie Highway to eastern township line in Independence Twp. Pontiac Trail, Green Lake to Haggerty in West Bloomfield Twp. Orchard Lake Road, 13 Mile to 14 Mile in Farmington Hills (partial reconstruct, partial boulevard, add roundabout)	Project Cost \$ 1.8 million \$ 4.9 million \$ 3.3 million \$ 7 million \$ 700,000 \$ 900,000 \$ 2.8 million \$ 2.6 million \$ 8.5 million
 Roundabouts Waldon Road at Clintonville Road in Independence Twp. Elizabeth Lake Road at Oxbow Lake Road in White Lake Twp. Elizabeth Lake Road at Teggerdine Road in White Lake Twp. Avon Road at Dequindre Road in Rochester Hills 	Project Cost \$ 2.5 million \$ 900,000 \$ 975,000 \$ 4.7 million
 Pave Gravel Road Currie Road, 8 Mile to 9 Mile in Lyon Twp. (includes construction of two roundabouts) 	Project Cost \$ 4.4 million
Safety Shoulder Widening • Frembes Road, Hatchery to Dixie Highway in Waterford Twp.	<u>Project Cost</u> \$ 250,000
 Simple Resurfacing Groveland Road, Barron to M-15 in Groveland Twp. Maple Road, Coolidge Highway to Rochester Road in Troy Rochester Road, Tienken to Lakeville in Rochester Hills & Oakland Twp. 	Project Cost \$ 800,000 \$ 1.7 million \$ 3.7 million
• Novi Road at 10 Mile in Novi	Project Cost \$ 750,000
Bridge Replacement • Avon Road over the Clinton River in Rochester Hills • Hatchery Road over the Clinton River in Waterford Twp. • Cooley Lake Road over the Huron River in Commerce Twp. • Maloney Street over Clear Lake/Long Lake in Oxford Twp.	Project Cost \$ 2.9 million \$ 2 million \$ 1.8 million \$ 2 million
Bridge Preventative Maintenance • Tienken Road over the Stony Creek in Rochester Hills • Parkdale Road over the Stony Creek in Rochester • Novi Road over the CSX railroad tracks in Novi • Grand River Ave. over Kent Lake in Lyon Twp.	Project Cost \$ 175,000 \$ 175,000 \$ 200,000 \$ 200,000
Culvert Replacements • Pontiac Trail over the Norton Drain in Commerce Twp. • Pine Valley Way over the Rouge River in Bloomfield Twp. • Cass Lake Road over the Cass/Otter Canal in Keego Harbor • Orchard Lake Road over the Rouge River (north of 10 Mile) in Farmington Hills • Fish Lake Road over the Shiawassee River (south of Grange Hall Rd.) in Holly Twp. • Fish Lake Road over the Patterson-Holly Drain (South of Grange Hall Rd.) in Holly Twp.	Project Cost \$ 800,000 \$ 300,000 \$ 850,000 \$ 970,000 \$ 1.6 million \$ 650,000
 High-Friction Surface Treatments Hickory Ridge Road north of Clyde in Highland Twp. Grange Hall Road at Joann in Holly Twp. Elizabeth Lake Road, North Pinegrove to Hickory Lane in Waterford Twp. Cooley Lake Road, Fleet Street to Lake Vista Street in Waterford Twp. Cooley Lake Road, South Pine Grove to Lamothe in Waterford Twp. 	Project Cost \$ 100,000 \$ 275,000 \$ 250,000 \$ 125,000 \$ 120,000
Railroad Crossing Improvements • Hogback Lake Road at the Grand Trunk Western Railroad in Rose Twp.	Project Cost \$ 500,000
Total annual contributions for projects to be constructed in 2021:	\$ 69 million



31001 Lahser Road Beverly Hills, MI 48025

SAFETY - CONT'D FROM FRONT

heartening to see that our roads remain very safe compared to others across the state and nation. That is the result, in part, of all the hard work done by everyone at RCOC."

Unlike many parts of the country, the number of traffic fatalities in Oakland County dropped from 2019 to 2020. However, the fatality rate increased slightly, because traffic volumes dropped in 2020 due to the COVID-19 situation.

"While our fatality rate increased slightly for 2020 because traffic volumes were down everywhere," Kolar explained, "our actual drop in the number of traffic fatalities contrasts with many areas of the country that saw increased traffic fatalities despite the traffic drop."

Kolar added that RCOC's safety efforts are paying off. "Virtually everything we do is driven by an interest in safety," he said, "whether it is how we select the projects we do each year, how we design those projects, how we prioritize our road maintenance activities, etc.

"Every RCOC employee contributes, in one way or another, to helping to keep our roads safe. These numbers confirm that what we are doing is making a difference."

In fact, if Oakland's roads experienced the same fatality rate as the national rate, another 60 to 70 people would die on the county's roads every year. "That's a big deal," Kolar said. "That's 60 to 70 families that don't have to bury a loved one."

Steps in a road-construction project

The most visible part of a road project is the construction phase — when the contractor is on site constructing the project. Many people may assume that the project starts shortly before the heavy equipment rolls onto the job site. That is rarely the case, though, and planning and other phases often take years of activity behind the scenes before a contractor can start work.

What must happen prior to a road project starting? First there is often considerable effort in the project selection process, before a road is chosen to work on, and before the scope of the project is identified.

In fact, there are a number of steps, from project selection and design to funding and right of way acquisition to bidding, etc. that go on behind the scenes. To learn more about the steps in a construction project, visit the "Steps in a Road Construction Project" page on the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) website: https://www.rcocweb.org/166/Steps -in-a-Road-Project (or go to the RCOC website homepage, www.rcocweb.org and then select the "Residents" tab at the top of the page and click on "Steps in a Road Project" from the pull-down menu.

Contacting RCOC

If your constituents need information about a road project or want to report a pothole, traffic-signal problem or other road issue, they should <u>call</u> RCOC's **Department of Customer**Services toll free at:

(877) 858-4804 OR

Fill out a report via the RCOC Web site: www.rcocweb.org

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TO:

Highland Township Board of Trustees

c/o Township of Highland Clerk's Office

250 W. Livingston Road

Highland, MI

FOR:

2005 Ford F-350 Ambulance (4x4)

V8 Diesel Engine

Automatic Transmission Air, Anti-lock brakes

53,803 miles

DATE:

September 7, 2021

FROM:

Luke Project 52 Clinic of Flint

8384 Riverwalk Drive Fenton, MI 48430 734-646-8206

In compliance with the Instructions to Bidders & Conditions of Bid; and subject to all conditions thereof, the undersigned offers and agrees to purchase the vehicle listed above for the Lump Sum of \$10,000.

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am the only person interested in this vehicle and that it is made without any connection with any other person making any bid for the same: that no person acting for, or employed by Highland Township is directly or indirectly interested in this proposal, that this proposal is made without directly or indirectly influencing or attempting to influence any other person to bid or to refrain from bidding or to influence the amount of the bid of any other person or corporation: that this proposal is made in good faith without collusion or connection with any other person bidding for the same vehicle.

Rev. Bradley G. Garrison RPh President/Executive Director The Luke Project 52 Clinic of Flint 8384 Riverwalk Drive, Fenton, MI 48430 734-646-8206 newlukeprenatal.org



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Come to the Milford United Methodist Church, 1200 Atlantic (next to post office) on Thursday, March 12 at 7 p.m. Rev. Brad Garrison RPh, executive director of The Luke Project 52 Mobile Clinic, will be our speaker. This clinic is a mobile medical unit that offers prenatal, infant and mother care to the uninsured or underinsured in the Detroit area. Detroit is number one in the U.S. (13.1 deaths/1000 compared to 5.6 national average.) Come and hear what is happening. For more information call 248-684-2798.

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Local man delivers compassion at free clinic for pregnant women

By Spinal Column Staff on November 13, 2019

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI Staff Writer diane@scnmail.com



Student nurse Caitlyn Freshour holds a baby in her care.

Dan Brown said he felt a calling to help with a mobile clinic for pregnant women in Detroit, and it led to a new volunteer passion for the Highland resident.

He has been named to the no pay job of overseeing a fleet of three vehicles used for the Luke Project 52 Clinic. He will also be transporting clients to and from their free visits.

The clinic was the brainchild of Brad Garrison, executive director, who points to the infant mortality rate in Detroit as that of a third world country. There are 13.1 deaths per 1,000 live births in Detroit compared to the 5.6 national average. Detroit is number one in the nation for babies born before their due date, which makes them at risk for dying the first year.

Stepping in

He wanted to help curb the crisis.

"The problem is NOT that there is a lack of healthcare available in Detroit," according to Project 52 Clinic website, thelukeproject52clinic.org. "There are numerous hospital systems and million-dollar medical facilities in the city. The problem is that the people don't use them and women don't keep their prenatal appointments."

Three years ago Garrison started the clinic, a nonprofit organization funded by donations and grants. The clinic has helped 427 clients, who live in a 43-mile radius of Detroit, as of November 3, 2019.

Brown is among 120 volunteers who commit to at least working one clinic every two months. Clinic hours are 3-7 p.m., the first and third Thursdays at Family of God Lutheran Church, 7354 Whittaker Street, Detroit.

The clinics provide free pregnancy testing, lab work, access to a free pharmacy, personalized prenatal care, infant care to 12 month olds, ultrasounds and transitions to midwifery at Hutzel Hospital.

"We serve the uninsured or underinsured, no questions asked — it's unconditional, compassionate care," said Garrison, a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod pastor and a registered pharmacist.

Brown said he recently got involved with Luke Project 52 Clinic when Garrison visited his church, Faith Lutheran in Highland. Garrison brought the mobile clinic to the church to give parishioners a first-hand view.

"I said to my wife, 'This is a good opportunity to answer the call to do the Lord's work," Brown said. "God has done mysterious things and this is my call to help other people. It will be 12 hours a day on clinic days. I feel honored to be part of this team."

Brown retired 13 years ago working in logistics with the Department of Defense.

He will be driving a 38-foot Airstream that was converted into a mobile hospital. The other Luke Project 52 Clinic vehicles are a full-size ambulance and a 12-passenger minibus for people who have transportation needs.

The name for the clinic comes from the biblical reference to Luke, Chapter 9, which talks about Jesus feeding 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fish.

"Luke was a physician and Jesus Christ is the great physician," Garrison said. "Jesus tells his disciples to feed the people who have gathered. They said they didn't have enough.

He will provide everything we need to do and what we are called to do to provide compassionate care. Our job is to bring those resources to God and see what kind of miracle he will do."

Dream comes true

Garrison wrote the business plan for Luke Project 52 Clinic after attending a Lutheran Synod "bootcamp" to start programs for people in need and "to find a bridge to connect them to a community."

Garrison's wife, Sheri, plays a key role in the clinic. She has worked as a high-risk labor delivery and neo-natal care nurse for 45 years. Sheri currently works with the University of Michigan Hospital.

"Ninety percent of medical staff come from U of M," Garrison said.

Luke Project 52 Clinic partners with the Detroit Health Department for immunization and the nursing school at Concordia University in Ann Arbor, providing clinical experience to their students.

The clinic recently received a \$15,000 grant from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Garrison tells a story of a recent mom who came to the clinic. She delivered twins and the babies were high risk.

"Those babies would not have survived," he added. "The number one cause of bad outcomes is poor prenatal care."

Another mom came to the clinic when she was 15. She delivered her baby at 16, and when she turned 17 she returned asking if she could volunteer. When she turned 18 she asked Garrison to baptize her and her baby.

This young mom volunteers for Luke Project 52 in the Benjamin's Closet unit, providing everything a newborn baby would need, from clothes to diapers and wipes. In hopes of getting the parents to bring their babies back for a well-baby visit, Luke Project 52 Clinic throws them a shower at that appointment.

"We're there to save babies, change lives and help churches build communities," Garrison said.

"Many of the moms are homeless, they don't have a community support service and we're trying to connect them with a local church."

Garrison said he hopes to start a Luke Project 52 Clinic in Flint next year.

"Our moms know we love them," Garrison said. "They're getting world class health care."

Call 313-789-7862 for an appointment to a Luke Project 52 Clinic. The phone is manned 24/7.

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Bringing Prenatal and Infant Care to Underserved Communities

The Luke Clinic brings free prenatal and obstetric services to Detroit.



Pictured here above are care providers, Christine Polley (far left), Tiffany Burrell (far right) and Katherine Gold, M.D., M.S.W., M.S., who serves as the Luke Clinic's medical director. Photo provided by Gold.

When it comes to accessing health care in the United States, deep-seated disparities among marginalized populations continue to exist. And while there are nearly 1,400 free clinics throughout the country to help offset these inequities, the uninsured and underinsured continue to struggle with obtaining the care they so often need.

"Many free clinics serve as a critical safety net for vulnerable populations, as they provide more than six million patient visits on a yearly basis," says Katherine J. Gold, M.D., M.S.W., M.S., an associate professor in the Department of Family

Medicine at Michigan Medicine. "However, of these clinics, only 7% offer prenatal and obstetrical services to their communities."

When it comes to Michigan counties and overall health outcomes, Wayne County, where the city of Detroit resides, ranks second to last, coming in at 82. Despite efforts to improve maternal and children's health care, preterm birth rates in Michigan have risen five years in a row, with Detroit ranking nearly at the bottom when compared to the other 100 largest cities in the U.S.

"As you can imagine, many women of color report experiencing racial disparities and marginalization in their daily lives, but also while receiving health care, which often leads to a significant distrust of the health care system, overall," says Gold. "Immigrants are sometimes fearful of deportation or being denied a green card and may choose to avoid care entirely, while mortality rates for black and Hispanic infants are significantly higher than those of their white counterparts."

In order to address the high rates of infant mortality in Detroit alongside other largescale health disparities, Brad Garrison, a pharmacist and pastor, founded the Luke Clinic with his wife, Sherie Garrison, a high-risk labor and delivery nurse at Michigan Medicine.

Brad now serves as the clinic's executive director, while Sherie serves as the clinical care coordinator. Their clinic and its model of care were recently featured in the *Maternal and Child Health Journal*.

"The Luke Clinic provides free prenatal, postpartum and infant care (through one year of life) to any family in the Detroit metro area," says Gold, who also serves as the clinic's medical director and has since its opening in 2016. "We hold clinic on two half-days a month and also offer patients other free services around a variety of things, including social work, insurance navigation, childcare, breastfeeding support and language interpretation."

Like Podcasts? Add the Michigan Medicine News Break to your Alexaenabled device or subscribe for updates on iTunes, Google Play and Stitcher. In 2019, Michigan Medicine's Department of Family Medicine formally partnered with the Luke Clinic and began providing services from four physicians on a monthly basis to help staff clinic hours. In addition, the department's residents now rotate at the clinic and many of their patients choose to deliver their babies at Michigan Medicine's Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital, therefore increasing their continuity of care.

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Care during COVID-19

Many of the Luke Clinic's high risk patients possess medical and social risk factors that contribute to struggles with mental illness and substance abuse. And many of these individuals found themselves without care at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"When the coronavirus hit, we were receiving multiple calls a week from people who were reporting that other Detroit clinics were closed to new prenatal patients," says Gold. "We also lost access to most of our onsite support services, including the Detroit Health Department's immunization services, our social work staff, insurance navigators, doulas and lactation consultants."

Gold further adds that while the unexpected pandemic led to huge gaps in care and social support for these vulnerable families, in February, the clinic had received funding from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan to test an outreach vehicle for antenatal testing and newborn care.

"This newly funded vehicle has become a lifeline for many patients in Detroit during the time of COVID-19," says Gold. "The MATU (mobile antenatal testing unit) has been particularly helpful since the pandemic started due to our own service reductions."

Gold notes that the MATU typically sees between three to five patients per day, once a week. Staff drive to a patient's home or workplace for testing, prenatal care, postpartum check-ups and newborn care. Typically, they have two nurses, an ultrasonography and a driver on staff.

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Evaluating care

In order to assess the Luke Clinic's quality of care, Gold and her team have been tracking patient risk factors and outcomes.

"We saw almost 200 patients in our first two years of service, and another 139 in the third year," says Gold. "We have noted some significant pregnancy outcomes in patients receiving our care."

Even though most of the clinic's patients have extremely high levels of medical, social and behavioral risk factors, they have shown lower rates of preterm delivery

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Paper cited: "A Novel Model for a Free Clinic for Prenatal and Infant Care in Detroit," *Maternal and Child Health Journal*. DOI: 10.1007/s10995-020-02927-1

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Mobile Clinic Gives Free Prenatal Services to Detroit Moms

Jina Sawani September 30, 2020 12:43 PM

The Luke Clinic brings free prenatal and obstetric services to individuals in need.



For mom Heavenlee Gordon, The Luke Clinic couldn't have come into her life at a better time. At a church in southwest Detroit, Gordon found the help she needed and an added bonus: The doctors and nurses treated her like part of their own families.

"They care about you. They love you. They love your kids. And they make sure you're OK, and even in the middle of the night, they answer their phones for you and just make sure you're doing the right things with parenting and things like that," says Gordon, a patient who had two children with the help of The Luke Clinic. "The other doctors didn't do that for me."

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"We lost a grandson who was stillborn, and we began looking at the issue of why babies die before their first birthday in the state of Michigan," says Brad, who now serves as the clinic's executive director, while Sherie serves as the clinical care coordinator.

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"The number one reason that we learned in our research and studies was that it's a lack of prenatal care," says Sherie.

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Through this collaborative approach Sundance Gambino, a patient at The Luke Clinic, notes that the team truly elevates patient-centric prenatal, postpartum and infant care.

"They get in depth of who you are, how your body is and what you personally need to have a healthy pregnancy and a healthy baby," she says.

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"Saving babies, changing lives, building community"

Rev. Brad Garrison RPh

Highland Township Board of Trustees

Luke Project 52 Clinic of Flint 8384 Riverwalk Drive Fenton, MI 48430

Dear Trustees,

7 September 2021

I am enclosing with our bid articles from The Spinal Column newspaper and from the University of Michigan Health News to inform you on the work that we have done in Detroit since October 2016 and that we plan to do in Flint starting this month. For the new Flint start-up, we need to obtain an ambulance for our all-volunteer, 501(c)3, free prenatal and infant care clinic designed to serve the uninsured or under-insured. The ambulance serves as our mobile antenatal testing and infant care unit with which we make home visits on newborns or at-risk pregnant mothers in our efforts to address the unacceptably high infant mortality rates in Detroit and Flint.

We currently have an OB/Gyn physician, 2 nurse midwives, 11 high risk labor and delivery nurses, 1 pharmacist, all serving pro bono along with 22 other volunteers to care for pregnant women at risk. We do not bill for any services and are funded only by individual, church, and other organization donations, and grant writing.

I hope you will consider our service to the community along with our bid as you decide the new home for your ambulance that has been of service to the Highland Township community.

Thank you for your consideration,

Rev. Brad Garrison RPh,

President/Executive Director of the Luke Project 52 Clinic of Flint

Luke Project 52 Clinic of Flint

Phone: 734-646-8206 E-mail: sgarriso@umich.edu

2005 Ford F-350 Ambulance September 15, 2021 4:00 p.m.

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810 - 267 - 3499	8,600	9/15/21
AUBURN GOODW,N	5,150	9/14/21
MIKE WITTE	4,107	9/15/21
MIKE SMITH	5,000	9/15/21
TODD DRINKARD	2,800	9/14/21
MIKE MAY	5,101	9/14/21
KRIS KOPACKI	2,852	9114/21
ALANG LONNOLLY	5,500	9/14/21
NHTHAN WING	8,000	9/14/21
CAPI ULMOR	7,500	9/1/21
LORON WRIGHT	4,000	9/15/21
BOLIVAN VOL. FIRE PERT	5,000	91,5121
SCOTT MACERO	5,000	9/15/21
ZACH LESSNIK	3,000	9/15/21

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LUKE PROJECT 52 CLINIC	10,000	9/7/21
ROGER MTUT	9,000	9/8/21
FONDA MARTIN	5,000	9/14/21
CAR HUB	4,000	9/13/21
BRIAN FLOWERDAY	5,325	9/14/21
DIELSEZ REDOMPTION	4000	9/14/21
DIELSOL REDOMPHON	4,000	9/14/21
KOUN MCKINNEY	6,750	91,5/2,

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FUND & ACCOUNT		ORIGINAL BUDGET 12/31/2021	AS AMENDED 12/31/2021	PROPOSED AMENDMENTS	PROPOSED NEW BUDGET
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND Revenue: 401-000-692.000	APPROPRIATION FUND BAL.	\$4,730,000.00	\$4,830,000.00 -	\$1,630,000.00 =	\$3,200,000.00
Expenditures: 401-261-971.001	TOWNSHIP IMPROVEMENTS	\$4,600,000.00	\$4,350,000.00 -	\$ 1,630,000.00 =	\$2,720,000.00
POLICE FUND Revenue: 207-000-692.000	APPROPRIATION FUND BAL.	\$0.00	\$32,600.00 +	\$277,400.00 =	\$310,000.00
Expenditures: 207-301-971.002	POLICE: BUILDING REN	\$20,000.00	\$52,600.00 +	\$ 277,400.00 =	\$330,000.00

Purpose of Amendment:

To decrease the Township Improvements expenditure to more accurately reflect 2021 expenditures and therefore decreasing the amount from the appropriation fund. To increase the Police Building Renovations expenditure to more accurately reflect 2021 expenditures and therefore increasing the amount from the appropriation fund.

BUDGET AMENDMENT WORKSHEET 2021 PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENTS BOARD MEETING - September 20, 2021

FUND & ACCOUNT		ORIGINAL BUDGET 12/31/2021	AS AMENDED 12/31/2021	PROPOSED AMENDMENTS	PROPOSED NEW BUDGET
GENERAL FUND Expenditures: 101-672-704-001	ACT CTR: COORDINATOR WAGE P-T	\$29,250.00	\$29,250.00 -	\$13,000.00 =	\$16,250.00
101-672-940-000	ACTIVITY CTR: RENT EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00 +	\$13,000.00 =	\$13,000.00

Purpose of Amendment:

To decrease the Coordinator Wage and create the Rent Expense line, where the net effect is zero.

8d) Draft of 2022 Budget will be emailed to Board Members.

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