



**VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2025 at 4:30PM**

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Vanderstelt at 4:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call – Council present: Jeff Guiles, Chris LeFaive, Bill Overkamp, Carl Rothenberger, and Roger Vanderstelt.
Staff Present: Amy Haack, Clerk; Ann LaCroix, Treasurer; and Jake Griffis, DPW Supervisor.
Public Present: Fruitport District Library Board members (Rose Dillion, Nan Riekse, Ruth Woodward, Anna Dudas); Matt Lubbers-Moore, Fruitport District Library Director; Pat Walsh, 4840 Farr Road; Matt Wakely, 158 Lake Street; and Dave Markgraf, 2800 E Sternberg.
3. Public Comment – No public comment was made.
4. Discussion of Library Expansion/Renovation in Pomona Park – Overkamp began the discussion by asking how much property in Pomona Park is the Village Council willing to give up to build/renovate a new library that would include a community center, septic system, etc. Markgraf stated county would require a raised septic system with an encompassing fence. Markgraf said community center parking would require 100 spaces. Rothenberger said he can't think of a better place for the library and posed the question of where a better space would be. Rothenberger pondered if it's possible to expand the area where the septic system could go to the overflow parking area in the park. Haack and LaCroix reminded everyone that preliminary engineering and design for the new park property project show much of the current overflow parking space will be utilized for improved parking expansion and grant requests have been submitted and are progressing successfully. LeFaive questioned the legitimacy of the required size of the parking lot. Dillon raised concerns regarding expanded park space for the library expansion could impede Lions Club Old Fashioned Days event. Rothenberger said the park should be planned for 365 days a year and not for an event that happens once a year. Library Board will email the most recent library renovation designs to Village Council and will verify in writing county rules regarding septic system needs and design.
5. Public Comment – No additional public comment was made.

6. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Haack, Clerk