

# **RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**AUGUST 14, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Brian R. Frederick, Supervisor                      David Earley, Treasurer  
David Knoll, Trustee    Renee R. Herhold, Clerk

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Susan K. Neuenfeldt, Trustee

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Richland Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Frederick at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge to the Flag.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Knoll, to approve the Agenda as amended, adding Item K. – Resolution 2018-08-01 P.A. 116 Removal. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to approve and file Minutes from the regular meeting held July 10, 2018 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**BILLS:** Motion by David Earley, second by David Knoll, to pay the bills as listed, a total of \$243,476.83. Roll call vote Knoll, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Knoll, to receive and file the reports as listed. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Questions and concerns were heard and answered about the drainage project regarding the cost, how the assessment was spread per parcel, top soil used for yard repairs, and completion date of the project.

## **OLD BUSINESS -**

**HEMLOCK SCHOOL DISTRICT CROSSWALK:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, directing Manager Reno to draft a letter to the Hemlock School District addressing the concerns as the Board discussed regarding the request for a crosswalk. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**DARK STORE FUNDING REQUEST:** Motion by David Knoll, second by David Earley, to not participate in any financial support to Escanaba to stop the use of the “Dark Store” argument as requested. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS -**

**FIRE HYDRANT REPLACEMENT:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, approving Kalin Construction Co., Inc. to remove and replace the fire hydrant on Sproll Street, total cost of \$5,053.20 as quoted and as budgeted. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SIGNS:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to allow the Hemlock Public School District to place State Championship signs recognizing the Hemlock Varsity Pompon on both North and South Hemlock Roads at the expense of the School District. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**MANAGER CONTRACT RENEWAL:** Motion by David Knoll, second by David Earley, authorizing the Wage Committee to move forward in negotiating a new contract with Manager Reno, current contract expires October 21, 2018. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**SIGNAGE REQUEST:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Knoll, to deny the request to place blind person signage on South Pine Street based on correspondence from the Saginaw County Road Commission whom no longer places or maintains signage for deaf or blind persons. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT WEAPON PURCHASE:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to purchase three Springfield rifles for \$1144.00 each from CMP Distributors, Inc. as quoted and budgeted. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**2018-2019 INSURANCE RENEWAL:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Knoll, to renew liability and property insurance with the Michigan Township Participating Plan through the John Gandolfi Agency, total premium of \$36,636.00, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 through August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, authorizing Manager Reno to sign on behalf of Richland Township, directing the Manager to pursue the best rates possible on an annual basis. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**SET PUBLIC HEARING POLICE/FIRE MILLAGE RATES:** Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, to set the Public Hearing for Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. to establish the millage rates for police and fire protection for the 2018 winter tax roll for operation during the 2019-2020 fiscal year, authorizing the Manager to publicize as necessary. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**TRASH ASSESSMENT:** Trash assessments will be reviewed during the September meeting for collection in 2019. Preliminary rates were provided.

**LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSAL:** During a special meeting of the Library Board in order to meet the filing deadline, the Library Board approved language to place the Library Millage Proposal on the November 6th, 2018 General Election ballot seeking 1.0 mills for ten (10) years 2018 to 2027 inclusive, to provide funds for all library purposes authorized by law, including operating and construction of a library building for the Rauchholz Memorial Library.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Received.

**RESOLUTION 2018-08-01:** Motion by David Knoll, second by David Earley, by Resolution 2018-08-01, as requested by Patrick and Linda Dorr to release approximately 7,995 square feet, parcel number 22-12-2-27-4002-000, from the Farmland Development Rights Agreement, Public Act 116, authorizing Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments were received and answered regarding the library millage proposal. Public Safety Day is scheduled for Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup> during the Hemlock Farmers Market. Manager Reno stated special assessment deferment information will be posted on the web.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 8:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Renee R. Herhold

Richland Twp. Clerk