

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian R. Frederick, Supervisor David Earley, Treasurer
Susan K. Neuenfeldt, Trustee Renee R. Herhold, Clerk
David Knoll, 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 Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to approve the Agenda as printed. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve and file Minutes from the regular meeting held August 13, 2019 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

BILLS: Motion by David Earley, second by David Knoll, to pay the bills as listed, total of \$318,744.64. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Knoll, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve the reports as listed. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments/questions were received and answered.

OLD BUSINESS:

BUEKER/SANDRIDGE SUBDIVISION DRAINS: Motion by David Earley, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to take from the table Bueker/Sandridge Subdivision Drains. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Motion by David Earley, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, based on Attorney opinion and under Michigan Law, to send letters informing those residents in the Bueker and Sandridge Subdivisions who may have a private drain and tile located on their property with options to correct the drainage problems. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

POLICE OFFICER: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, pending Union approval, authorizing the Manager to hire Kirt Shields as full time Richland Township Police Officer to cover the Village of Merrill and Jonesfield Township, at a pay rate of \$21.37/hourly. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

POLICE PROTECTION CONTRACT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to approve the Contract as presented with the Village of Merrill and Jonesfield Township for police protection services, authorizing Supervisor Frederick and Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

RESIDENTIAL TRASH/RECYCLING: An update on the anticipated cost to provide residential curbside recycling/trash service was given by Manager Reno.

NEW BUSINESS -

ORDINANCE 2019-09, CEMETERY: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to amend the Richland Township Cemetery Ordinance 2006-1 by adopting Ordinance 2019-09 as presented, effective 30 days after publication, authorizing Supervisor Frederick and Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

AUDIT: Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, authorizing the Manager to submit request for proposal for audit services. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 09-2019-01, PERMANENT ABSENT VOTER LIST: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, by Resolution 09-2019-01, to honor the Clerks request to maintain a permanent absent voter list, authorizing Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

DELINQUENT WATER/SEWER: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to place the delinquent water and sewer accounts, as presented, on the 2019 winter tax roll for collection, total amount of \$603.94. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, to receive and file all communications as presented. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments/questions were received and answered.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 7:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Renee R. Herhold

Richland Twp. Clerk