

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian R. Frederick, Supervisor David Earley, Treasurer
David Knoll, Trustee Renee R. Herhold, Clerk
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 7:13 P.M.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to approve the Agenda as amended adding Item J. – 2016 -2017 Audit. 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 8, 2017 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

BILLS: Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, to pay the bills as listed, total of \$677,141.16. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, 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: Ken Berthiaume, Certified Public Accountant, with Berthiaume & Company presented the 2016-2017 Audit. Comments were received and answered.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 09-2017-01: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adopt by Resolution 09-2017-01, the Richland Township Park Recreation Plan which describes the physical features, existing recreational facilities and the desired actions to improve and maintain recreation facilities during the period between 2017 and 2022, authorizing 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.

NEW BUSINESS -

DPW PLOW PURCHASE: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to purchase an adjustable Western Model 810 wide out plow system from Scientific Brake & Equipment Company

\$6,697, as bid, for the Department of Public Works 2017 Ford F250 truck. Roll call vote Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER PAY: Motion by David Earley, second by David Knoll, to offer a \$3,000 increase to the Manager's salary, \$59,000 to \$62,000, effective October 22, 2017, for year two of the two-year contract, opposing the recommendation by the Wage Committee to increase the Manager's salary by \$2,000. Roll call vote Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, no; Frederick, yes. (4) yeas, (1) nay. Motion carried.

DELINQUENT WATER/SEWER: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to place the delinquent sewer account, as presented, on the 2017 winter tax roll for collection, total amount of \$167.66. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

TRASH ASSESSMENT: Motion by David Earley, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to assess \$132.00 per residential household for 2018 trash collection service on the 2017 winter tax roll. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

MTA WORKSHOP: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, allowing the Office Administrator/Finance Coordinator to attend the Michigan Township Association Accounting and Payroll Workshop to be held in Frankenmuth at a cost of \$111, plus mileage. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

LIBRARY CDARS ACCOUNT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, authorizing Treasurer Earley and Clerk Herhold to sign the letter of authorization with Isabella Bank to reinvest Library Funds, approximately \$58,300, for an additional six months in the Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS) account. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 09-2017-02: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, by Resolution 09-2017-02, declining to adopt an ordinance regulating and authorizing any of the five types of medical marijuana facilities authorized by Public Act 281 of 2016, a “marihuana facility shall not operate in the Township”, providing a copy of this Resolution to the State of Michigan, Medical Marihuana Licensing Board, authorizing 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.

COMPOST SITE: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to contract with Murin Landscaping to chip the brush site at a cost of \$20,000, a \$10,000 expenditure during the current 2017-2018 fiscal year with the \$10,000 balance to be paid in the 2018-2019 fiscal year, and to form a committee to possibly set policy for further maintenance and use of the site. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: Received.

2016-2017 AUDIT: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to receive and file the 2016-2017 Audit as presented. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments were received and answered.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
Renee R. Herhold Richland Twp. Clerk

Minutes Are Not Official Until Approved At The Next Regular Meeting, October 10, 2017