

# **RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2017**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** 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.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, to approve the Agenda as amended, by adding Item K – Gratiot Road Property and amending Item H – appointing two individuals to the Salary Compensation Committee for Board Members. 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 October 10, 2017 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**BILLS:** Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, to pay the bills as listed, total of \$153,820.34. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**SIGNAGE-NORTH PINE STREET:** Following discussion, no further action was taken by the Board regarding placement of additional speed limit signage on North Pine Street.

**NEW BUSINESS -**

**HEALTH CARE:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to keep the current health care coverage plan and allowing the Manager and health insurance representative to meet with all employees to discuss future changes and options. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**2011 PATROL CAR:** Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to allow Rick Ford Sales, Inc. to purchase the 2011 Ford Crown Victoria as a salvage vehicle while accepting the insurance company settlement, minus the deductible. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**PATROL CAR ACQUISITION:** Motion by David Earley, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to purchase a 2017 Ford Utility Police Interceptor for \$27,920.46 from Currie Motors Ford of Valpo, replacing the 2011 Ford Crown Victoria. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**DPW 2006 FORD TRUCK:** Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to allow the Richland Township Park Board to purchase the Department of Public Works 2006 Ford F250 Super Duty truck with plow package for \$8,765.00, replacing the 2003 Chevrolet Silverado Truck currently in use at the park. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**APARTMENT CURBSIDE TRASH COLLECTION REQUEST:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to table the request for curbside trash collection for the Timberwood Townhome Apartments, 16805 and 16821 Gratiot Road, a total of 12 units, for further information. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**RESIDENTIAL SIGN COST AGREEMENT:** Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, authorizing Manager Reno to sign on behalf of Richland Township the Cost Agreement for Residential Area Reduce Speed Signs with the Saginaw County Road Commission, participating in the cost of maintenance for the three signs as listed. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**PATROL CAR ACCESSORIES:** Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to equip the new 2017 Ford Utility Police Interceptor as bid by Kay Communication, utilizing equipment that was not damaged along with the purchase of new equipment and installation, projected cost \$4,616.00. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENTS TO SALARY COMPENSATION COMMITTEE:** Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, to appoint Samantha Turner to the Salary Compensation Committee which determines the salaries of the Township Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer, filling the vacancy due to the passing of Scott Stapleton and to renew her appointment with the term expiring in January 2022; also, to appoint Frederick Clark to the Salary Compensation Committee to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Karon Hoppe, with the term expiring in January 2020. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 11-2017-01, PAR PLAN GRANT:** Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adopt Resolution 11-2017-01, seeking grant funding through the Michigan Township Participating Plan to offset the cost to replace two sets of bleachers at the Richland Township Park, authorizing Supervisor Frederick to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll vote Frederick, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent. Motion carried.

**GRATIOT ROAD PROPERTY:** Motion by David Earley, due to a recent drain project, to contract with Greg Kenny (Kenny Brothers Farm) to level the dirt berm along the O'Grady Tile Drain on township owned property in the 16000 block of Gratiot Road. Motion dies due to lack of support. Discussion held.

Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to table for further review. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Received and filed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments were received and answered regarding Hemlock

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Tile Drain project; the Kratz and Tile Drain Board of Determination meeting; Park Board resignation; also, thanking the Fire Department with their response and time in fighting the recent house fire.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 8:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Renee R. Herhold      Richland Township Clerk