

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DECEMBER 13, 2016

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. welcoming new Members to the Board.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve the Agenda as printed. 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 November 9, 2016 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

BILLS: Motion by David Earley, second by David Knoll, to pay the bills as listed, total of \$93,915.86. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes. (5) Yeas, (0) Nays. Motion carried.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: Complaint was received and answered regarding a nuisance of smoke from a wood burner.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to confirm Supervisor Fredericks recommendation to reappoint Matt Bray, Rick Crofoot, and Greg Turner and to appoint Larry Engel along with Board representative, David Knoll, to the Planning Commission to serve a three-year term expiring December 2019. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, as recommended by Supervisor Frederick to reappoint John Rick, Tim Metro, Kim Grossman and Larry Schiewe as an alternate, to serve a two-year term expiring December 2018 on the Board of Review. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPOINTMENTS: Motion by David Knoll, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to reappoint Bernard Neuenfeldt, John Shields, Nelson Stapleton, Boyd Beyersdorf, and Susan Neuenfeldt to serve a three year term on the Zoning Board of Appeals, term expiring December 2019. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 12-1-2016: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, by Resolution 12-1-2016, designating 1st State Bank as a depository and authorizing as signers for Richland Township: David Earley, Treasurer; Ann Marie L. Wudel, Deputy Treasurer; Renee R. Herhold, Clerk; Lisa Edgecomb, Deputy Clerk. Roll call vote Knoll, yes;

Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 12-2-2016: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, by Resolution 12-2-2016, designating Chase Bank as a depository and authorizing as signers for Richland Township: David Earley, Treasurer; Ann Marie L. Wudel, Deputy Treasurer; Renee R. Herhold, Clerk; Lisa Edgecomb, Deputy Clerk. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 12-3-2016: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, by Resolution 12-3-2016, designating Isabella Bank as a depository and authorizing as signers for Richland Township: David Earley, Treasurer; Ann Marie L. Wudel, Deputy Treasurer; Renee R. Herhold, Clerk; Lisa Edgecomb, Deputy Clerk. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

CEMETERY MAINTENANCE: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to table in order to obtain additional bids for grub control at the cemetery. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

REPAIRS-WELL NUMBER TWO: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, approving the bill submitted by Layne for emergency repairs to well number two for \$16,196.50, scheduling special meetings in the future for emergency approvals. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

MME REGISTRATION: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, allowing the Manager to renew a one-year membership with Michigan Municipal Executives (MME) at a cost of \$110.00. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

MME WINTER INSTITUTE: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to allow the Manager to register and attend the Michigan Municipal Executives (MME) winter institute to be held in Kalamazoo, bringing final cost to the Board at the January meeting. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

FARMLAND PUBLIC ACT 116: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve the application submitted by Frank Szabo III, placing 80 acres, parcel number 22-12-2-36-4002-000, into the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act 116 for a period of 35 years, authorizing Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

POLICY 918: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adopt Personnel Policy 918 and the waiver form allowing employees to add supplemental coverage through Aflac, with the employee paying 100 percent of the cost. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes. (5) yeas, (0) nays. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION: A Certificate of Appreciation will be presented to Frederick Clark, thanking him for his many years of service on the Richland Township Planning Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS: Received.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Board was thanked for leaving the brush site open during the month of November.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 7:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:


Renee R. Herhold Rishland Township Clerk