

# RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FEBRUARY 9, 2016

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Brian R. Frederick, Supervisor      David Earley, Trustee  
Joel Wardin, Clerk      Dan Preuss, Treasurer  
Susan 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 Dan Preuss, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve the Agenda as presented. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Motion by Joel Wardin, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve and file Minutes from the regular meeting held January 12, 2016 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**BILLS:** Motion by Dan Preuss, second by Joel Wardin, to pay the bills as listed, total of \$669,799.19. Roll call vote Preuss, yes; Frederick, yes; Earley, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Wardin, yes. (5) Yeas, (0) Nays. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:** Motion by Joel Wardin, second by Dan Preuss, to approve the reports as listed. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2016-2017 BUDGET WORKSHOP/PUBLIC HEARING:** Motion by Joel Wardin, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to set the 2016-2017 Budget Workshop for Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 6:30 P.M. with the Public Hearing of the proposed 2016-2017 Budget following at 7 P.M., and adoption of the proposed Budget in conjunction with the regular March 8<sup>th</sup> Board of Trustee meeting. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**REZONE PARCEL:** Motion by Joel Wardin, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to grant the rezoning of parcel number 22-12-2-26-2002-002, 14640 Gratiot Road, as recommended by the Planning Commission from A-2 Agricultural to C-2 General Commercial, amending the Zoning Map to reflect the change. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**POLICE OFFICER:** Motion by Dan Preuss, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, authorizing the Township Manager to advertise, seeking applicants to fill a full time position for Police Officer. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**COUNTY ROAD MILLAGE:** Motion by Dan Preuss, second by Joel Wardin, marking option "C" opposing seeking a County wide road millage, providing explanations to the County as discussed. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**OPEN HOUSE:** Motion by Joel Wardin, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, approving a "meet and greet" open house for both Chief Doyle and Manager Reno on Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, from 3 to 7 P.M., with cost not to exceed \$40.00. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**WAGE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** Motion by Joel Wardin, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, as recommended by the Wage Committee, to increase the Office Manager's salary by \$.48 per hour effective with the new fiscal year, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**SAGINAW FUTURE AGREEMENT:** Motion by Dan Preuss, second by David Earley, to enter into a one-year Agreement with Saginaw Future, authorizing a payment of \$500.00 in lieu of the \$1,000 as invoiced, authorizing Supervisor Frederick, to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Voice vote. Frederick, yes; Preuss, yes; Wardin, no; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes. (4) yeas, (1) nay. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Motion by Dan Preuss, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to receive and file communications as presented. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments and questions were received and answered. Manager Reno stated the part time clerical position has been filled with a start date of Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, with a beginning wage of \$10.25 per hour.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Joel Wardin, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
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Joel Wardin                      Richland Township Clerk