

Minutes  
Robinson Township Board of Trustees  
Meeting January 8, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.  
12010 120<sup>th</sup> Ave, Grand Haven, MI 49417

Present: Supervisor Kathryn Kuck, Treasurer Bonnie Hayward, Clerk Christine Saddler and Trustee Bernice Berens and Trustee Travis Vugteveen

Also present: Attorney Ron Bultje and four members of the public.

Berens gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2019 Regular Board meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2019 Special Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission as presented. Motion carried

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Commissioner Greg DeJong was absent

Public comment: Junita Bocanegra who is running for 58<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge introduced herself and outlined her experience and qualifications for the position.

Marcia VanVelzen questioned if there had been a meeting set up with Deppe and Ottawa County regarding water permitting concerns. To our knowledge no meeting has been set up

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to approve the summer tax collection contract with both Zeeland and Grand Haven Public Schools at a rate of \$2.87 per parcel. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Berens made a motion supported by Hayward for the Township to absorb the escrow shortage of approximately \$30 for Zach Zoerhof who was given a Class A Earth Change permit to build a pond which was subsequently denied by EGLE. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to approve the Supervisor's appointment of Shawn Martinie to the Planning Commission for a three-year term to expire in 2023. Motion carried.

Potluck Pickup will no longer provide compactors and personnel that would help load dumpsters for the annual Dumpster Day. They would be willing to provide dumpsters for a designated time period. It would be the responsibility of those bringing items to place them in the dumpster themselves.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Kuck to work with Potluck Pickup for a dumpster day that would consist of dumpsters staged on site without compactors or manpower provided by Potluck and to have the date pushed back to late April or May. Motion carried.

After review of bids, Kuck made a motion supported by Hayward to contract with Michigan Chloride Services LLC for road brining for 2020. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Ottawa County Parks desire to talk to the Board regarding no wake zones on the Grand River. Anyone is welcome to speak to the Board during our Public Comment portion of the meeting. No special agenda item is needed.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to adopt Fire Department Budget Resolution 2020-01-01 amending 206-336-95600-802 increasing it by \$10,000 and decreasing 206-336-95600-003 by \$10,000. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

It was the consensus of the Board that future legal expenses for PFAS matters would be split between the Township and the Fire Department.

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to approve the Policy and Guidelines for Poverty Exemption from Taxation for the year 2020. Motion approved.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Reports:

Fire: 317 runs in 2019

NORA: Looking at possibility of operating millage

Library: working with Loutit Library to scan historical records.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Saddler  
Robinson Township Clerk