

Minutes
Robinson Township Board of Trustees
March 11, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.
12010 120th Ave, Grand Haven, MI 49417

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

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

Hayward gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2020 Regular Board meeting. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Greg DeJong gave an update on events in Ottawa County. Dr. Paul Heidel gave a presentation on the Coronavirus epidemic. There is up to date information on the Ottawa County Department of Public Health's website

Public Comment: Vern Helder who is a current District Court Magistrate and is running for District Court Judge introduced himself.

Berens made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve the renewal of the Jack Dykstra Emerald Lake Class B Earth Change Permit based on the conditions set forth by the Planning Commission at the February 25, 2020 meeting and previous conditions for the permit. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to approve the Semco Energy Gas Company Franchise Ordinance No. 2020-03-01 and to allow the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the agreement. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Saddler to have Attorney Bultje make a summary of the ordinance for publication. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to approve the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement (MABAS) and authorize the Supervisor to sign. A Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to approve the hiring of Trevor Cain as a Firefighter Cadet. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Vugteveen to table the request from NORA (North Ottawa Recreation Authority) to place a millage on the August 2020 ballot in Robinson Township. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to pass National Library Week Proclamation Resolution No. 2020-03-07. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kuck announced that the Board was invited to and Open House at the Ottawa County Road Commission on May 7th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Berens made a motion supported by Saddler to approve having Kuck and Hayward attend the Ottawa Area Planners Meeting on May 12th and be paid a per diem. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Berens to approve the Grant of License Agreement with the Tri Cities Strykers Club for use of the Park from April 1-June 30 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5:00-8:00 pm except for the days that Grand Haven Christian has the park reserved and to have the Clerk and Supervisor sign the agreement. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding purchasing new soccer goals and nets which would cost approximately \$2,000 and a stationary bike for installation near the playground.

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

Clarification was made that employees can run for a Board position. If they were to be elected, they must resign their position. Those duties could be assigned to them as additional duties if the Board chose to do so.

Reports:

Fire: Fire Chief VanVelzen stated that they had a reciprocal agreement for coverage with Grand Haven Township in case either department is affected by the Coronavirus epidemic

Clerk: The Presidential Primary went smoothly

NORA: Will clarify with the proposed millage language with them

Library: Discussion was held about the scanning of our archives (currently assessing) before turning them over to the State of Michigan. The consensus of the board was that they were happy with the current plan.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Saddler
Robinson Township Clerk