

Minutes
Robinson Township Board of Trustees
November 11, 2020 Regular Meeting
Held Virtually Via Zoom Meeting ID # 8970439 5588
12010 120th Ave, Grand Haven MI 49417

Present: Kuck, Hayward, Saddler, Berens and Vugteveen

Absent: None

Also present via Zoom: Attorney Ron Bultje, Megan Roschek from Burnham and Flower, three virtual attendees

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by an invocation given by Berens

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Berens to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2020 meeting as presented. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Saddler made a motion supported by Hayward to approve the agenda with changes which removed the MERS Adoption Agreement and changed the order. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Public comment: None.

Hayward made a motion supported by Kuck to untable the discussion on the Par Plan Insurance Coverage. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Kuck to approve the proposal from Burnham and Flower for the ParPlan Insurance coverage for the Township, including the Fire Department, with the addition of the Cyber and Privacy Liability Coverage and the PIP Medical Coverage to remain unlimited for a premium of: General Fund \$18,659, Fire \$15,895 for a total of \$34,554 and an additional \$1,377.50 for the Cyber. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to renew the Provident Accidental Death and Dismemberment Coverage for the Fire Department keeping the present plan and selecting the three year prepaid premium. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Berens to change the designees for calls from EPS Security for after-hours disturbances to: incoming Supervisor Frank Johnson as first call and Maintenance person Gary Vandenberg as second, and for Maintenance to be paid for a minimum of 1 hour if he is called in. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Saddler made a motion supported by Berens to make Saddler and Hayward Co-Personnel Officer with the duties to be shared. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Hayward that the Township would pay the outstanding legal bills for the Peterson property escrow because the expenses occurred after the sale. Roll call vote was taken: Kuck: yes, Hayward: yes, Saddler: yes, Vugteveen: no, Berens: yes. Motion carried.

Saddler made a motion supported by Berens to pay Kuck for her attendance at the last Water Board Meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Vugteveen to appoint Hayward as Board Representative for the Water Board. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Hayward to table the Agreement for Contract Services with Brian Werschem. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Berens to have Hayward attend the Ottawa Conservation meeting in December as the Township representative with a per diem to be paid. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

After discussion it was the consensus of the Board that the Treasurer could consult with the Attorney if assistance was needed in filing the small claims paperwork she had.

Saddler made a motion supported by Kuck to approve having Shelia Bekius continue to work as an Election Clerk when needed with approval from two board members. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Berens to untable the METRO Act permit for CenturyTel. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Kuck to approve the METRO Act permit for CenturyTel and to authorize the Clerk to execute the documents. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Berens to untable the Facebook page for the Township discussion. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion supported by Hayward to remove the discussion regarding a Facebook page for the Township from consideration and to focus communication efforts on the current website. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to pay the bills. Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Hayward expressed her gratitude to both Supervisor Kuck and Trustee Berens for their many years of service to the Township, for their hard work and dedication. This sentiment was repeated by the all.

Kuck made a motion supported by Berens to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Reports are on file.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Saddler
Robinson Township Clerk