

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Robinson Township Board of Trustees
February 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm
12010 - 120th Ave, Grand Haven MI 49417

Present: Supervisor Frank Johnson, Treasurer Bonnie Hayward, Clerk Christine Saddler and Trustee Travis Vugteveen

Absent: Trustee Travis Bergman

Also present: Attorney Ron Bultje and eleven members of the public

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Supervisor Johnson gave the invocation.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Saddler made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve the agenda with the following changes: removal of Greg DeJong's update and the addition of purchase of computers for the Fire Department, resignation of Steve Parent from the Fire Department, request from Four Pointes Center for Successful Living for a contribution, acceptance of Par Plan Risk Reduction Grant and Charter Township eligibility notification. Motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson gave his opening remarks.

Loutit District Library Director John Martin along with Library Director Select Sara Derdowski and Library Historian Jeanette Weiden presented their Annual Report.

SADDLER MADE A MOTION SUPPORTED BY JOHNSON TO PURCHASE THE 50c SERIES LIBRARY DROP BOX FROM KINGSLEY LIBRARY RETURNS AND EQUIPEMENT AT A COST FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT TO NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF THE COMMUNITY GRANT (\$7,142.00). ROLL CALL VOTE WAS HELD WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING YES. BERGMAN ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to approve the proposal from Fresh Coast Planning LLC for planning and zoning services. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried.

Saddler made a motion supported by Hayward to approve the purchase of three new buoys from Overton's at a cost not to exceed \$900. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Johnson to accept the Policy and Guidelines for Poverty Exemptions from Taxation as written with the understanding that the Federal Poverty Guidelines will be updated annually to represent the current poverty levels. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen that Robinson Township chooses to not act as their own 911 answer point. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to set the Robinson Township Board of Trustees meeting schedule for the fiscal year 2022-2023. Meetings shall be held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Johnson to pass General Fund Budget Resolution No. 2022-02-01 increasing Planning Commission account 101-400-000 by \$20,000 and Inspection Department account 101-371-00000 by \$15,000, Decreasing Park Capital Improvement account 101-752-00000 by \$15,000 and Road Maint. Lighting Const. Account 101-446-00000 by \$20,000. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried,

Saddler made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve Fire Department Budget Resolution No. 2022-02-02 increasing Assoc. Dues, Mag. Etc. Account by \$1,000 and decreasing Maint/Repairs Department Account 206-336-93000-001 by \$1,000. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion approved.

A discussion was held regarding the proposed 2022-2023 Wage Schedule. The consensus of the Board was to set the Assessor salary to \$47,500, increase Deputy Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, Secretary and Maintenance by 4%, and other positions excluding all Fire and Board Reps, to increase by 2%.

Hayward made a motion supported by Saddler to pass Supervisor's Compensation Resolution No. 2022-02-03 setting salary at \$27,000 per year and \$100 for approved non-statutory meetings. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion approved.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Johnson to pass Treasurer's Compensation Resolution No. 2022-02-04 setting salary at \$27,000 per year and \$100 for approved non-statutory meetings. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion approved.

Hayward made a motion supported by Johnson to pass Clerk's Compensation Resolution No. 2022-02-05 setting salary at \$27,000 per year and \$100 for approved non-statutory meetings. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion approved.

Hayward made a motion supported by Saddler to pass Trustee Compensation Resolution No. 2022-02-06 setting at \$132 per meeting. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion approved.

Hayward made a motion supported by Johnson to set March 14, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. for the Budget Workshop and March 30, 2022 at 7:00 pm for the Budget Public Hearing. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Saddler to approve Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance 2022-02-01, draft date 01/25/22, amending the ordinance in regards to corner lots, private roads and lots off of private easements. Roll call vote was held. Vugteveen: yes, Saddler: yes, Hayward: yes, Johnson: no, Bergman: absent. Motion carried. Attorney Bultje will prepare summary for publication.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to not pursue gypsy moth abatement. Motion carried.

Supervisor Johnson reappointed Steve Young as a member of the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring January of 2025.

Saddler made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve Supervisor Johnson's reappointment of Steve Young to the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring in January 2025. Motion carried

Supervisor Johnson reappointed Lydia Brown as a member of the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring January of 2025.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve Supervisor Johnson's reappointment of Lydia Brown to the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring in January 2025. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding possible uses of ARPA funds. Treasurer Hayward proposed using the money for the new cemetery to allow for landscaping, power, water, etc. This idea was well received.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve the proposed purchase of a new computer, remote camera and TV and accessories for the Fire Department at a cost not to exceed \$3,900. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to accept the resignation of Steve Parent from the Fire Department. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Johnson to accept the Michigan Township Participating Plan Risk Reduction Grant in the amount of \$2,500 for a security camera for the Township parking lot and to authorize the Clerk to execute the grant. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Saddler to approve a contract for the fiscal year 2021-2022 with Four Pointes Center for Successful Aging in the amount of \$5,000 to provide services to Robinson Township residents, and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the contract. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried.

Public comment: none

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

Reports are on file.

Motion was made by Vugteveen and supported by Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Christine Saddler
Robinson Township Clerk