

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Robinson Township Board of Trustees
September 13, 2023 at 7:00 pm
12010 - 120th Ave, Grand Haven MI 49417

Present: Frank Johnson, Bonnie Hayward, Christine Saddler and Travis Vugteveen

Absent: Trustee Travis Bergman

Also present: Attorney Ron Bultje and 56 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 of the 8/9/23 Regular Board meeting. Motion carried.

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

Supervisor Johnson gave his opening remarks.

Cheryl Nelson, Forest Health Forester from the Michigan DNR along with Natalie Bekins, West Michigan CISMA Coordinator WM Conservation Network-Ottawa Conservation District and Nealy Molhoek from Ottawa County Parks gave an in-depth presentation on the Spongy Moth in Michigan. They detailed the life cycle and characteristics of them, the impacts, the steps individual home owners can take to combat them. The presentation was followed by an extensive question and answer period. A PDF of the presentation will be posted on the Township website.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to untangle the discussion on the parking lot painting. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve estimate 8639 from Ace Parking Lot Striping Inc. for the repainting of the parking lot at a cost of \$800. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on if the Board wished to have the Planning Commission continue to develop an ordinance to address Short Term Rentals in the Township. The Board would like it to be limited to a specific area with the area on the North side of North Cedar a logical choice. The Board is directing the Planning Commission to continue.

Saddler made a motion supported by Hayward to hire Jason Quinn as a new firefighter. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve the donation of the old Holmaltro tool to the Ferry Township Fire Department. Motion carried.

It was decided to move the remaining portable restroom closer to the fields and within camera view.

Saddler made a motion supported by Vugteveen to approve quote #2542 from Diemer's Property Services LLC for mole patrol services. Roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. Bergman absent. Motion carried.

Public comment was received: discussion on paving of Sleeper Street, bike path and the wish that the Township would spray for spongy moths.

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

Reports are on file: building and zoning, NORA, Clerk, Fire Department, Water Board, Park, Ambulance.

Consensus of the Board was that the Water Board could hold quarterly meetings.

Vugteveen made a motion supported by Hayward to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Saddler
Robinson Township Clerk