

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
ROBINSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD 02/11/2015 AT 7:30 PM**

PRESENT:

TRACY MULLIGAN
JACKIE FRYE
BONNIE HAYWARD
BERNICE BERENS

ABSENT:

NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

SEE LIST ATTACHED.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED BY SUPERVISOR MULLIGAN. BERENS LED THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

VUGTEVEEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY MINUTES. HAYWARD SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

COMMISSIONER DEJONG GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE SIGN ISSUE IN HAGER PARK, STATING THAT IT WOULD BE REINSTATED AS SOON AS THE MAINTENANCE DEPT. COULD DO IT. HE ALSO TALKED ABOUT COMMUNITY AFFIRMATION AND THE WALK FOR WARMTH, TO HELP THOSE THAT NEED HELP WITH HEATING BILLS.

THE DISCUSSION CONCERNING BUCHANAN TRAIL BEGAN. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE PARTICIPATED IN THE DISCUSSION. MANY RESIDENTS COMPLAINED ABOUT PARTIES AND UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES AT THE END OF THE TRAIL. RON BULTJE REMINDED THE BOARD THAT THIS TRAIL BELONGS TO THE COUNTY AND IS NOT THE TOWNSHIP'S PROBLEM. VUGTEVEEN MADE A MOTION TO SUPPORT THAT THE OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MOVE FORWARD WITH A PUBLIC MEETING BASED ON THE PETITION FOR ABANDONMENT OF THE R.O.W. THAT MOST RESIDENTS WITH LAND ON THE TRAIL HAVE SIGNED. MULLIGAN SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

HAYWARD MADE A MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM #2, WAGE SCHEDULE REVISIONS, UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. BERENS SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUPERVISOR'S WAGE RESOLUTION WITH NO CHANGES, SALARY TO BE \$20,000.00 PER YEAR AND \$75.00 FOR OUTSIDE MEETINGS APPROVED BY THE BOARD. HAYWARD SUPPORTED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

HAYWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLERK'S WAGE RESOLUTION WITH NO CHANGES SALARY TO BE \$20,000 PER YEAR AND \$75.00 FOR OUTSIDE MEETINGS WITH BOARD APPROVAL. BERENS SECONDED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S WAGE RESOLUTION WITH NO CHANGES SALARY TO BE \$20,000.00 PER YEAR AND \$75.00 FOR OUTSIDE MEETINGS WITH BOARD APPROVAL. FRYE SUPPORTED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

HAYWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TRUSTEE WAGE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING \$75.00 PER MEETING FOR TRUSTEES. FRYE SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

THE MEETING SCHEDULE WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED WITH A MOTION BY VUGTEVEEN, AND A SECOND BY BERENS. MEETING DATES MAY BE VIEWED ONLINE AT www.robinson-twp.org

VUGTEVEEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE 04/11/2015 FROM 8:00 TO 12:00 AS DUMPSTER/CLEANUP DAY. FRYE SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

VUGTEVEEN MADE A MOTION TO STAY WITH BRUCE ALLEN (NOW SWE ENTERPISES LLC) FOR THE 2014/15 ROAD BRINING SEASON, AT THE SAME COST AS LAST YEAR OF \$39,060.00.

FRYE MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THE REVISION OF THE WATER BOARD. BERENS SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

SUPERVISOR MULLIGAN STATED SHE WAS WORKING ON THE PERSONNEL POLICY AND MARKING NEEDED CHANGES.

SHE ANNOUNCED THAT A MEETING OUTLINING THE FARM PRESERVATION ACT WOULD BE AT G.H. TOWNSHIP ON 02/19/15 AT 7:00 P.M.

THE YOUNG BUCS BASEBALL TEAM HAS REQUESTED TO RENEW LAST YEAR'S CONTRACT TO USE ROBINSON TOWNSHIP PARK. VUGTEVEEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THAT RENEWAL WITH THE \$100.00 DEPOSIT STILL INCLUDED. BERENS SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO SUPPORT A WATER BOARD MEETING ON 02/23/2015. VUGTEVEEN SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO PAY THE BILLS. VUGTEVEEN SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED. THE REPORTS ARE ON FILE.

VUGTEVEEN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. HAYWARD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:20 P.M.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
JACKIE S. FRYE
ROBINSON TOWNSHIP CLERK**