

Minutes
August 9, 2017
Robinson Township Board of Trustees
12010 120th Ave, Grand Haven MI 49417

Present: Kuck, Hayward, Saddler, Berens, Vugteveen

Absent: None

Also present: Attorney Ron Bultje, Commissioner Dejong, and 9 members of the public

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m.

Berens gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Berens made a motion seconded by Hayward to approve the July 12, 2017 Regular Board minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion seconded by Kuck to approve the agenda with the addition of items: #17 baseball field reservations, #18 Park Security Grant, # 19 any and all other business. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kuck shared that the Township Hall open house was held and was well attended. The new side door for the meeting room has been installed. Final occupancy has been issued.

Commissioner Greg Dejong relayed that he was a member of a contingent of Commissioners who were invited to the White House yesterday. They attended a series of presentations from different agencies. They were able to make connections that will allow them to better serve the residents of Ottawa County.

M-45 Special Use and Site Plan was presented by applicant Leon Hoogewind, proposing to add additional storage building and a small office building to existing storage location. Supervisor Kuck declared the Public Hearing open.

Public comments:

Terri Hodgson, 11131 104th Ave: What is the location of the fence: new fencing on the east and south sides shall be opaque per Section 31.8H of the zoning ordinance. The opaque fencing on the east side begins where the old fencing stops. T. Hodgson also questioned why someone would want to build more storage units when the current ones are not being utilized. – the previous owners did not maintain the property. It has been cleaned up.

Paul DeWitt, 11068 104th Ave: Rumor was that he was purchasing the Embassy's ball diamond and expanding.: No that is not happening.

Ken Huberts, 10276 Lake Michigan Drive: will there be anything stored outside? No, there is only a tractor that is used for work around the facility. He also shared the concern that since the previous storage facility was not successful.

Paul DeWitt, 11068 104th Ave: The area has drainage issues; The PC evaluated the drainage during their review and approved of the plan. Additional ditching will be done around the property.

Terri Hodgson, 11131 104th Ave; What will be the access points?; one access off M-45. What about security? : There will only be one gate which requires a key or code for entrance. They are a very secure facility.

Hayward made a motion seconded by Vugteveen to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

Berens made a motion seconded by Vugteveen for approval of the M-45 storage site plan and special use requests based on compliance with the Site Plan Standards in Section 31.8 of the Zoning Ordinance and the Special Use Standards in Section 32.5 of the Zoning Ordinance with the recommendation and conditions set forth by the Planning Commission at their June 27, 2017 meeting. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion seconded by Berens to change the land division application fees to \$50 per parcel plus \$15 extra per every additional split and to eliminate the \$100 fee for parcels over 50 acres. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion seconded by Kuck to change the fee for a private road application to \$50. Motion carried.

Discussion held on the soil removal application. It will be changed to add a second line so the owner and the applicant, if applicable, will sign.

Vugteveen made a motion seconded by Saddler to make the Supervisor the Personnel Manager with backup for the Clerk in the absence of the Supervisor. All personnel records will be maintained by the Clerk. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion seconded by Vugteveen to table the discussion on zoning administrator wages.

Discussion was held on the Ottawa County Road Commission's strategic plan. There will be a public hearing held on September 28th.

Saddler made a motion seconded by Vugteveen to table the farmland preservation resolution. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Ottawa County Broadband Initiative. Consensus approval was given to Kuck to attend the meetings.

Kuck made a motion seconded by Hayward to have the NOCH Ambulance agreement remain tabled. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion seconded by Vugteveen to have the cemetery mower remain tabled. Motion carried.

Hayward made a motion seconded by Berens to reject the proposed Resolution in support of MDOT and the expansion of M-231. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Township Hall renovation update: the final bill has been received which was approved by AECOM. Project came in under budget.

Kuck made a motion seconded by Vugteveen to approve the removal of a historic picture of the Clark School by Hayward to have it framed. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion seconded by Berens to reimburse Kuck for water and ice purchased for the open house. Motion carried.

Kuck made a motion seconded by Hayward to implement a \$25/per day fee for reservation of the baseball field. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion seconded by Kuck to approve signing the ParPlan Grant agreement and up to \$750 for additional costs not covered by the grant. Roll call vote was held with all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Reports are on file.

Berens made a motion seconded by Vugteveen to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Vugteveen made a motion seconded by Berens to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Saddler
Robinson Township Clerk