

**Minutes  
of the  
Meeting  
of the  
Robinson Township  
Board of Trustees  
Held 03/13/2013 at 7:30 P.M.**

**Present:**

Tracy Mulligan  
Jackie Frye  
Bonnie Hayward  
Bernice Berens  
Travis Vugteveen

**Absent:**

None

**Also Present:**

Ron Bultje  
Paul VanVelzen  
Greg DeYoung  
Judge Jon Hulsing  
Jon Kran  
Alex Doty  
Several Members of the Public (see list attached.)

**The meeting was opened by Supervisor Mulligan**

The February minutes were approved.

The agenda was approved with two changes: The addition of Circuit Court Judge Jon Hulsing and Ottawa County Commissioner Greg DeYoung to the top of the agenda.

Judge Jon Hulsing introduced himself and gave a short presentation on the Ottawa County Circuit Court System. He explained that surveys are being taken to improve the Court System. Also that the court is working with the county on operational procedures.

Greg DeYoung Ottawa County Commissioner explained the Michigan Works jobs available report that is being sent to local officials. He urged Board Members to check out the OC website. He said he plans on attending local meetings on a regular basis, and urged Board Members to contact him with any question or concerns about local issues.

Hayward made a motion to untable the Orr Earth Change Application. Berens supported the motion and it was approved.

The items asked for to complete the application were submitted. And approved with some discussion on slopes, and size of water surface.

A motion was made by Jackie Frye to approve the Orr earth change request. The approval is based upon a review of the factors in the Earth Change Ordinance, Article V, Section 3. The earth change permit is further based upon the findings of Mr. Kurt Koella of Lakeshore Environmental, Inc., in this letter of March 11, 2013. The earth change permit is further based upon the following conditions: the applicant shall comply with all the material submitted to the Township and its representatives pursuant to the application for this earth change (in the event of inconsistencies in those submissions); the applicant will control over earlier submissions); the applicant will comply with all of requirements set forth by Mr. Koella in his March 11, 2013 letter; the applicant shall comply with all Federal, State, County, and Township laws and ordinances; and the overall volume of the earth change shall not exceed the amount determined by Mr. Koella to be necessary to construct a pond with one acre of surface water with a slope of one foot vertical for three feet horizontal. The motion was supported by Bernice Berens and it passed unanimously.

Vugteveen made a motion to untable the Ambrose Earth Change Application. Berens supported the motion and it was approved. Vugteveen made a motion to approve with condition of compliance of the material from the applicant and compliance with federal, state and local ordinances. Berens seconded the motion and it was approved.

Liability insurance was discussed. The Township's present policy was discussed. Since it does not cover non-monetary lawsuits, Berens made a motion to add that to the policy at a cost of \$500.00 per year. Vugteveen supported the motion and a roll call vote was taken. All members voted aye and the motion was approved unanimously.

Berens made a motion to approve the amendment to the Wind Turbine Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance. Hayward supported the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Vugteveen made a motion to approve the change in wording of the wage schedule (see wage schedule attached.) Frye supported the motion and it was approved.

Frye made a motion to hire Pete Tuls for the position of Zoning Administrator. Wage to start at \$ 26.00 per hour for 8 hours per week to be reviewed after 90 days. Hayward supported the motion and a roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Discussions were held on zoning fees, and litigation matters.

Hayward made a motion to rescind the motion made at the last meeting in regard to cell phones and payment in lieu of. Berens seconded the motion and it was approved.

Vugteveen made a motion to pay the bills. Berens supported the motion and it was approved.

The reports are on file.

Vugteveen made a motion to adjourn. Berens seconded the motion and it was approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

**Respectfully submitted**  
**Jackie S. Frye**  
**Robinson Township Clerk.**