

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AUGUST 13, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian R. Frederick, Supervisor David Earley, Treasurer
Susan K. Neuenfeldt, Trustee Renee R. Herhold, Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Knoll, Trustee

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Richland Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Frederick at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, to approve the Agenda as amended, adding Item L. – Fire Truck Disposal. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve and file Minutes from the regular meeting held July 9, 2019 along with the work session held July 25, 2019 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

BILLS: Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, to pay the bills as listed, a total of \$462,745.09. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to receive and file the reports as listed, including the 2018-2019 Audit as presented by Kenneth Berthiaume with Berthiaume & Company. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Questions and concerns were heard and answered about the drainage project with the safety issue of glass located in the top soil used for yard repairs, requesting an Attorney be involved to help resolve the issues.

OLD BUSINESS -

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING: An update on the anticipated cost to provide residential curbside recycling was given by Manager Reno.

TOWNSHIP LOGO: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to approve the township logo as presented, thanking Nicole Turner for designing the logo. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

FIELDSTONE DRAIN: Remain tabled for opinion from legal counsel.

BRUSH TRUCK EQUIPMENT: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to purchase the necessary equipment from CSI Emergency Apparatus, LLC, as quoted, for the new brush truck, total cost of \$35,515.53, expenditure from the Fire Fund - Reserve Account. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS -

SEWER LIFT STATION UPGRADES: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, as budgeted, to approve upgrades to the North Hemlock Road sewer lift station as proposed from Jett Pump & Valve, L.L.C., total expenditure of \$3,995.64. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

WATER PIPING UPGRADES: Motion by David Earley, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, as budgeted, authorizing Dynamic Piping Company to rework the existing piping for chlorine induction at the two well locations at a cost of \$1,650.00 as quoted. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

2019-2020 INSURANCE RENEWAL: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to renew liability and property insurance with the Michigan Township Participating Plan through the Decker Agency, total premium of \$37,663.00, August 1st, 2019 through August 1st, 2020, authorizing Manager Reno to sign on behalf of Richland Township, directing the Manager to pursue the best rates possible on an annual basis. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP PROPERTY-GRATIOT ROAD: Consensus of the Board is to allow the Manager, working with the Township Assessor, to determine an appraised amount for the township owned Gratiot Road commercial zoned property for an interested party looking to purchase 2.5 to 5 acres.

SET PUBLIC HEARING POLICE/FIRE MILLAGE RATES: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to set the Public Hearing for Tuesday, September 10th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. to establish the millage rates for police and fire protection for the 2019 winter tax roll for operation during the 2020-2021 fiscal year, authorizing the Manager to publicize as necessary. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLICATIONS: Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, authorizing all required publications be placed in The Saginaw News, in a summary format if feasible. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

POLICE PROTECTION CONTRACT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to provide a notice of intent to the Village of Merrill and Jonesfield Township for police protection services as outlined in the proposed Agreement. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Frederick, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

POLICE OFFICER: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, authorizing Manager Reno to post notice to accept applications for a full time Certified Police Officer on the MCOLES site and other available free sites. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

CDARS RENEWAL: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to renew township funds in the Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS) at Isabella Bank for a one-year investment period, authorizing Treasurer Earley and Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of the Township. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

WATER TOWER: Motion Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to enter into Agreement with Dixon Engineering & Inspection Services for a maintenance inspection of the 250,000-gallon spheroid elevated water tank as required by the Environmental Great Lakes & Energy (EGLE), estimated cost of \$3,250.00, authorizing Manager Reno to sign the Agreement on behalf of Richland Township. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

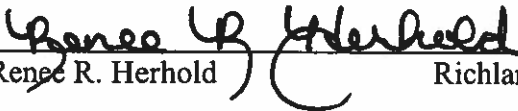
COMMUNICATIONS: Received.

FIRE TRUCK DISPOSAL: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, authorizing disposal of 992 Pierce Pumper setting a minimum bid and advertising in the Fire Trader along with other available sites. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Questions and comments were received and answered.

PROCEEDINGS: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adjourn. Unanimous vote.
Meeting adjourned – 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:



Renee R. Herhold Richland Twp. Clerk