

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MARCH 11, 2020

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brian R. Frederick, Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER: Clerk Herhold called the public hearing/regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Due to the absence of the Supervisor, motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to appoint Treasurer Earley to act as Chair. Unanimous vote. Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING: Chairman Earley opened the Public Hearing with Manager Reno reviewing the proposed 2020-2021 Budget with revenues/expenditures totaling \$5,243,020. Chairman Earley called for public comment (three) times. Notice of the Hearing was posted and advertised as required.

ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, to adjourn the Public Hearing. Unanimous vote. Public Hearing adjourned – 7:14 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:14 P.M. by Chairman Earley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve the Agenda as submitted. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to approve and file Minutes from the regular meeting held February 11, 2020; also, Minutes of the Election Commission meeting held February 11, 2020 as written. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

BILLS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to pay the bills as listed, total of \$573,556.18. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent, (0) nays. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve the reports as listed. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

OLD BUSINESS-

SAW GRANT – SEWER RATES: Motion by David Knoll, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, in order to meet the State of Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) mandates, to increase the sewer minimum 10,000 gallon rate from \$40.50 to \$50.63 and to increase the sewer 1,000 gallon rate from \$4.05 per 1,000 gallons to \$5.06 per 1,000 gallons for anything over 10,000 gallons. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS -

FIRE PROTECTION-FREMONT TOWNSHIP: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to approve the Fire Protection Agreement with Fremont Township as presented, with a total fee of \$40,524.66, effective April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, authorizing

Supervisor Frederick, Clerk Herhold, and Fire Chief Morse to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

FINAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, authorizing Manager Reno to make final budget adjustments in order to close the books for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 03-2020-01, SCHEDULE OF FEES: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Knoll, by Resolution 03-2020-01 to approve the Fee Schedule as presented, with the addition of revised burial/cremation interment fees, effective with the new budgetary fiscal year, April 1, 2020, authorizing Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll call vote Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent, (0) nays. Motion carried.

2020-2021 ROAD PROJECTS: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to brine all gravel roads, two applications, one and a half loads of hot patch, along with seeking estimates on proposed road projects as discussed for fiscal year 2020-2021. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 03-2020-02, ADOPT 2020-2021 BUDGET: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, by Resolution 03-2020-02, to adopt the 2020-2021 Budget, total revenues/expenditures \$5,243,020, authorizing Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Knoll, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent, (0) nays. Motion carried.

SET MEETING DATE/TIMES: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, the Board of Trustee meetings be held the second Tuesday of the month, 7:00 P.M., for fiscal year 2020-2021. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 03-2020-03, POVERTY GUIDELINES: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, by Resolution 03-2020-03 to adopt guidelines for poverty exemptions as required by Section 7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL211.7u), authorizing Clerk Herhold to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Herhold, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent, (0) nays. Motion carried.

POLICE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by Renee Herhold, to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented with the Police Officers Labor Council, authorizing Supervisor Frederick and Manager Reno to sign on behalf of Richland Township, effective April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2023. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Knoll, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes. (4) yeas, (1) absent, (0) nays. Motion carried.

SAGINAW FUTURE AGREEMENT: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to enter into a one-year Agreement with Saginaw Future, authorizing a payment of \$500.00 as invoiced, authorizing Supervisor Frederick to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

SUMP PUMP DISCONNECT: Manager Reno provided information regarding a proposed sump pump disconnect ordinance.

COMMUNICATIONS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to receive and file communications as presented. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Knoll, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 7:59 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:



Renee R. Herhold Richland Township Clerk