

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MAY 12, 2020

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Knoll, Trustee

Richland Township Board of Trustee met electronically as a result of the Covid-19 Coronavirus pandemic, to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Richland Township, Saginaw County, Michigan of such virus, pursuant to law and the mandates of Executive Order 2020-15 issued by Governor Whitmer for the State of Michigan. Manager Reno acted as facilitator, explaining the guidelines for the electronic meeting.

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 David Earley, to approve the Agenda as printed. 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 April 14, 2020 as written. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

BILLS: Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, to pay the bills as listed, total expenditures of \$64,967.32. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to approve the reports as listed. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

OLD BUSINESS -

SUMP PUMP DISCONNECT PROGRAM: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, authorizing Manager Reno to move forward with the Sump Pump Disconnect Ordinance, submitting to the Township Attorney for review and scheduling a Public Hearing, when allowed, in order to adopt the proposed Ordinance. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

2020-2021 ROAD PROJECTS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to place natural gravel on: Steel Road, from Frost to Dice; Orr Road, from Dice to Tittabawassee; Fehn Road, from Frost to Dice; limestone Hubbell Road, from Fordney – half mile; also, chip and seal: Steel Road, from Dice to Tittabawassee; Orr Road, from Frost to Dice; Raucholz Road, from Gratiot to Frost; Brennan Road, from Gratiot to Frost; Philo Street, total cost of \$106,810. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT POLICIES: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by David Earley, to approve the amended Fire Department Administrative Policies in Section Four, 04.06 through 04.10, as presented. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS -

SERVER PURCHASE: Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, as budgeted, to purchase from Cutting Edge Computers a Dell Poweredge T340 Server with supplemental equipment and monthly monitoring, as quoted for \$5,729.06, authorizing Manager Reno to sign on behalf of Richland Township. Roll call vote Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

MOWER PURCHASE: Motion by David Earley, second by Renee Herhold, as budgeted, to purchase from Bader & Sons Company a John Deere commercial front mower with deck and trade-in for \$22,500 as quoted, authorizing Manager Reno to sign on behalf of Richland Township, financing through Isabella Bank at an interest rate of 3.99 percent for a three-year period. Roll call vote Earley, yes; Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

DPW HIRE: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to offer the full time Department of Public Works Laborer position to Candidate A, starting wage of \$16.50 per hour with a \$.50 per hour increase after 90 days of employment. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

MME FELLOWSHIP HOST: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, allowing Manager Reno to apply for the Michigan Municipal Executives (MME) Local Government Management Fellowship Host Community 2020 program, seeking a qualified intern for a one-year period. Roll call vote Frederick, yes; Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: Motion by Renee Herhold, second by Susan Neuenfeldt, to receive and file communications as presented. Roll call vote Herhold, yes; Neuenfeldt, yes; Earley, yes; Frederick, yes; Knoll, absent. (4) yeas, (0) nays, (1) absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Questions/comments were raised and answered.

AJOURNMENT: Motion by Susan Neuenfeldt, second by David Earley, to adjourn. Unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned – 8:09 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:


Renee R. Herhold (Richland Township Clerk