

Republic Township Board
March 23rd 2023
Regular Meeting
Budget Hearing at 6:45p.m.

1. **Call to order:** Jim called the meeting to order at 6:45p.m.
2. **Pledge of allegiance**
3. **Roll call for all Board members-** James Brennan, Anna Griepentrog, Kristina Koski, Frank Haslip and John Ison, all present.
4. **Open Public Hearing**
 - A. **Discussion of Budget**
 - B. **Resolution for budget of 2023-2024-** Jim B. made the motion to accept the resolution, Tina K. seconded this motion. Roll call vote: Jim B., Anna G., Tina K. Frank H. all said yay. John Ison nay. Motion passed.
5. **Public Comment:** None
6. **Adjournment:** Jim B. made the motion to adjourn at 6:50p.m.
7. **Approve Agenda-** Motioned by Jim B. to approve the agenda with addition letter I. seconded by Anna G. Motion passed.
8. **Minutes-** Motioned by Anna to approve the minutes for February 23rd 2023 seconded by Jim B. Motion passed. Motioned by Jim to approve the special meeting on March 9th 2023. Seconded by Tina K. Motion passed. Jim made a motion to approve the informational meeting on February 25th 2023, seconded by Anna, motion passed.
9. **Public Comment-** None
10. **Reports:**
 - A. **IOHT-** Jim spoke about a grant for a truck, tractor and trailer for \$89,000.00

B. TIFA- Filed for permit

C. WETESA- Received bill and will pay in full

D. Zoning Administrator- 1 new permit, 5 total

E. Ordinance Enforcement- Nothing new

F. Assessor- Good report, see attached

11. Old Business:

A. MDNR Trust Fund Grant Application- Jim made the motion to rescind the grant because it is incorrect. Seconded by Tina K. Motion passed.

B. MDNR Passport Grant Application- Motioned by Jim to also rescind this grant for being incorrect. Seconded by Frank H. Motion passed.

C. Resolution for the renewal of the IOHTA millage to place on ballot in August for 2023- Jim made a motion to put resolution on the ballot, seconded by Tina K. Motion passed.

D. Fence River Rd. Paving 2024- Jim made the motion to move forward from County Rd. 601 to Squaw Lake Rd. for paving in 2024. seconded by Frank H. Motion passed.

E. Resolution for bonding capital improvement- Jim made a motion for intent to bond for capital improvements. Tina K. seconded. Motion passed.

F. Transfer station increase and policy changes- The new policy for the transfer station is that fee is to be paid when dumping with check or cash. No charging.

G. Scale Update- We closed out with the insurance company and received final payment.

H. Support letter for approval on Natural Gas Line- Jim made the motion that the Republic Township supports the natural gas letter, seconded by Frank H. Motion passed.

I. Kukla Electric- Tina K. made the motion to have electrical company put 35-amp RV plug to the outside of the Welcoming Center, and a 20-amp 110 gfi. Jim seconded. Motion passed.

9. New Business

A. Computer & software for Assessor- Tina made the motion to update the assessor's computer and new software, seconded by John I. Motion passed.

B. Conditional use permit for cannabis consumption event- Jim made the motion to move to public hearing, seconded by Tina K. Motion passed.

C. Permit application for Marihuana event- Jim made the motion to wave the 120 days for permit and all license's to have it by July 2023 board meeting. Seconded by Tina K. Motion passed.

D. DPW Summer Help- Jim made the motion to post for applications for summer students, seconded by Anna G. Motion passed.

10. Payment of Bills- Motioned by John I. and seconded by Frank H. Motion passed.

11. Public Comment- Terry Knapp

12. Board Comments- John Ison

13. Adjourn- Motioned by Frank H. to adjourn the meeting at 7:40p.m., seconded by Jim B. Motion passed.

Sworn and subscribed to by:

Anna Griepentrog, Clerk

Date