

Final Minutes for April 28, 2011 of the Republic Township Board Regular Meeting.
Minutes are subject to review and approval by the Township Board.
Board Members present: Gary, Faye, Steve, Tom and Paula

1. Called to Order by the Supervisor at 7:00
2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG WAS GIVEN.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved after a motion by Faye supported by Paula with the addition 9F LSCP Partnership, 7F Assessors Line Item; Deputy Assessor. Faye motioned to approve the agenda, supported by Steve.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Faye motioned to approve the minutes of March 24, 2011 with corrections, March 31, 2011, April 13, 2011 with correction, April 26, 2011, April 26, 2011 Budget Workshop. All 5 are in favor.
5. PAYMENT OF BILLS: Paula motioned to approve the bills as presented, supported by Faye. All 5 are in favor.
6. PUBLIC COMMENT: Wolf McNeil spoke.
7. REPORTS:
 - A. TRUSTEE STEVE reported on storing banking records and compliance issues. Steve also expressed the MRWRIA Board should adhere to complying with their bylaws, and while Republic Township Board has oversight of the MRWRIA Board and to provide them latitude to act in their capacity while exploring options.
 - B. TRUSTEE TOM reported that the Planning Commission will be meeting May 16, 2011 after having a two month recess.
 - C. CLERK reported that the 2011 – 2012 Fiscal Year Budget is available for review. The Clerk asked that mileage and meals are reimbursed for a grant workshop she will be attending in Milwaukee on August 10 and 11, 2011. Gary motioned and supported by Faye. All 5 are in favor.
 - D. TREASURER read two letters to the Board by Ted Peppin Ely Township Supervisor and a separate letter by Berle LaPin, Champion Township Supervisor disputing prior media hype towards Gary Johnson Republic Township Supervisor. The Treasurer also reported she had attended a meeting for the Supervisor for Central Dispatch and discussed the Fire Department radios that are needed and are being addressed by Central Dispatch.
 - E. DPW/Fire/Ambulance: Scott stated he would like to purchase two radios for upcoming EMS personnel. He would provide the data to the clerk. Steve motioned and supported by Tom. All in 5 are favor. Gary stated that the Township radio licenses are renewed for another 10 years.

F. ASSESSING/SUPERVISOR: A \$500.00 per year allowance is available to the Assessor/Supervisor's department for any needed clerical duties. Motioned by Faye, supported by Paula. Al Pierce of UPEA has agreed to be the Township's interim Zoning Administrator until a suitable replacement is found. Gary will prepare an agreement for Al Pierce. Gary reported that the tax roll is in agreement with the County.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. WATER LINE GRANT: OGC has some changes to finalize with the paperwork and also needed our auditor's original signature. Construction should commence in June or July. All UPEA engineering costs are to be reimbursed by the Grant including Attorney Fees. Two invoice's were presented by Gary for UPEA for the water line grant, motioned to approve by Faye, supported by Steve.
- B. LO/EVERGREEN ST. SEWER LINE: Eric Waara reported that Rural Development would not permit the sewer repairs for this project in the water line grant. Eric will be returning in May to discuss how we can solve this issue, possibly incorporating the Evergreen St and the balance of the sewer gate valve's that need to be replaced.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. SEWER GATE VALVE REPLACEMENT: A different valve may be used that may save the Township money. Danielson Contracting agreed to modify his bid. Motioned by Steve to pass the resolution to commence with construction which is attached with these minutes, supported by Paula. Roll call vote all 5 are in favor.
- B. TIFA ISSUES: MRBWRIA board member appointments were made; Chuck Hurst, Ileen Todd and Todd Rankinen were appointed for 3 years; Noreen Maki, Kim Isaacson and Wolf McNeil were appointed for 2 years; Wolf McNeil is replacing Jenny Hendrickson; John Jilbert and Roger Crimmins were appointed for 1 year terms. Gary stated that the terms will begin January 1, 2011. Paula asked if Wolf would be placed on the budget committee. Gary said he would make the recommendation to the board. Gary asked the Board for an extension of time to hold the annual meeting that was to commence in January. Paula made the motion and supported by Steve. All 5 are in favor. Gary has informed the MRBWRIA that there are no funds available until 2012, he has asked the Township Board for approval to purchase letterhead and envelopes. Faye reported that all members are not compensated and Paula stated that any accounting services provided to the MRBWRIA by Republic Twp. Board would not be compensated for as well.

- C. SUMMER EMPLOYMENT: Gary acknowledged three applicants for summer DPW help; Zach Barry, Noah Finegan and Nathan Koski. Faye made the motion supported by Paula. All 5 are in favor.
- D. RESTRICTED HAULERS AGREEMENT: An agreement was prepared for contractors within the Township to sign to allow hauling debris to the transfer station. Faye motioned supported by Paula. All 5 are in favor.
- E. ACCESSIBILITY TRANSITION PLAN: The board approved the removal of the drinking fountain with in the township building.
- F. LSCP PARTNERSHIP: LSCP will aid in the acquisition of CCI wetland preserves. The board felt the \$750.00 membership was worth the investment.
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT: Deb Pellow spoke regarding the land bank.
- K. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Stone
Republic Township Clerk