

REPUBLIC TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 28, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All board members were present.

2. SALUTE TO FLAG

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Kristina Koski support by Carol Kellow to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Tom Feldhusen support Kristina Koski to approve the minutes from February 28, 2013, March 5, 2013 and March 21, 2013. Motion carried.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Motion by Carol Kellow support by Tom Feldhusen to accept the payment of bills. Motion carried.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

7. REPORTS:

- A. Trustee Carol – Attended the MCTA meeting in March. The annual dinner will be held on May 4, 2013. Each township should bring a door prize. All board members received a copy of the Michigan Development Act which Carol brought from the meeting. Attended the Recreation meeting in Republic.
- B. Trustee Tom – The recycling is going real well. but the bins are full and need to emptied
- C. Clerk Marilyn – Nothing at this time
- D. Treasurer Tina – Working on improving the accounting system. Utility bills must be paid according to payment policy posted. Date set for the dedication ceremony for the ballfield (Bum) is June 22, 2013.
- E. DPW/Fire/Ambulance – The townships back hoe has been transported to Nortrax for Repair. Our attorney sent a letter to John Deere to see if we could be compensated for any of the repair costs.  
Ten people have signed up for the EMT class which will be held in the next month or two. The estimated cost per person is \$2000.00.  
Jonathon Hansen signed up for an EMT-Basic course at Marquette General

Health System in December 2012 without board approval. He brought the bill for \$1300.00 to the township to pay saying he had Scott Hansen, EMS Coordinator's approval. A motion by Kristina Koski support by Tom Feldhusen stating on completion of the course and certification to be an EMT the township will pay the bill. Motion carried.

- F. Assess/Supvr. – A thank you letter and check will be going out to The Feighner Co. for the dock.

## 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### A. Water Line Grant –

A motion by Kristina Koski support by Marilyn Brancheau to pay invoice from Republic Water Construction Account in the amount of \$31,695.04. Resolution passed.

ROLL CALL VOTE - 5 AYES - 0 NAYS

- B. School Lake/Munson Park Project – All the information for the grant is sent to Bill Sanders, Project Engineer and he will file the grant on April 1, 2013.
- C. Oasis Sale – Nothing to report
- D. ZBA Membership – No applications received
- E. Flaska Parcel – Per discussion at the last meeting, the supervisor will start the process of survey and appraisal.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Auditorium Heating System – Swicks is recommending changing the heaters in the auditorium. Their price is \$12,700.00. A motion by Kristina Koski support by Tom Feldhusen to go out on bids from other companies. Motion carried.
- B. Cemetery Hill – Someone has inquired if the board would approve selling the top of the rock knob right behind the cemetery vault to be used for a cored burial plot for ashes. The purchaser would have the normal stone information etched into the rock. The Board approved this purchase stating that the purchaser would pay the price of a cemetery lot.
- C. Budget Approval – A motion by Gary Johnson support by Carol Kellow to adopt the budget as presented. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE - 5 AYES - 0 NAYS

- D. TIFA – A motion by Kristina Koski support by Tom Feldhusen to approve contract with TIFA at \$1.00 a year renewable each year. Motion carried. Supervisor Johnson appointed Treasurer Koski to be his alternate for the TIFA Board. Motion by Kristina Koski support by Carol Kellow to appoint a new member to the TIFA Board, Laura Maze. Motion carried.
- E. Floating Bear Road – Two residents from floating bear road were present and asked if the township could provide them with services, such as plowing and mail service. Marquette County Road Commission has never plowed the road and it would cost the township mega bucks to meet the specs to have it be an approved plowed road.


10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jim Brennan  
Liz Hargas

Liz Hargas stated that the ladies from St. Vinnies will start clean- up in April in the Old Bank Building. They have seven crafters interested to display or teach crafts and are hoping to be open Memorial Day weekend. Supervisor Johnson suggested the township donate free utilities for the first year.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

  
Marilyn Brancheau  
Clerk