

REPUBLIC TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MAY 23, 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:

A motion was made by Tom F. support by Kristina K. to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion by Carol K. support by Kristina K. to approve the minutes of the board meeting held on April 25, 2013. Motion carried.

A motion by Gary J. support by Marilyn B. to approve the minutes of the election commission meeting held on May 6, 2013. Motion carried.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

A motion by Tom F. support by Carol K. to accept the payment of bills. Motion carried.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE

7. REPORTS:

- A. Trustee Carol – Nothing at this time
- B. Trustee Tom – Attended a meeting with Kenecott at the Humboldt Township Hall
- C. Clerk Marilyn – I attended Steven Koski's graduation from Cooley Law School in Lansing this past weekend. It was a proud day! Lori Burton, Office Manager has asked if she can have Memorial Day Holiday off with pay. After discussion, a roll call vote was taken.
ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 AYES - 1 – NAY Motion carried.
- D. Treasurer Koski – I have been working on the ID System. We have received lots of donations for the ball field. Jim Brennan added that he needs approval to purchase materials for the roof for the concession stand. Motion by Carol K. support by Tom F.

to approve the purchase of these materials. Motion carried.

Jim also added that Paul's Park needs new swings and chains.

E. DPW/FIRE/AMB. – No one was here from these departments

F. Assessing/Sup. - The Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority would like to take over the trail system from the DNR. They have sent us a resolution to that affect and they would like us to read it, sign and return. A motion by Kristina K. support by Carol K. to pass the resolution as read. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 – AYES 0 – NAYS

Supervisor Johnson drafted an updated Purchasing Policy which the board shall look over and it will be discussed at our next meeting.

The DNR no longer picks up garbage on Squaw Lake road. A motion by Kristina K. support by Tom F. to place two dumpsters out there from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Motion carried. Tom F. suggested we put a donation can out there to help defray costs. Also, if a sticker has to be purchased to camp there, a letter should be sent to the DNR asking why no garbage pick up. Supervisor Johnson will send a letter.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Water Line Grant - A construction meeting was held on May 22, 2013. Road restrictions will be off in about two weeks, actual construction will begin in about four weeks.
- B. School Lake/Munson Park Update – We have been contacted by the Heritage Trail Authority explaining since Ely Township turned down the millage extra grant money is now free. Carol Fulsher has applied to the state to allow them to move the money to our portion of the trail. If approved, they will finish our 2.5 miles of trail this summer.
- C.. Oasis Sale – No change in status
- D. Flaska Parcel – Work is progressing
- E. Auditorium Heating System – On hold for a short period of time

9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Change of Meeting Date – Marilyn B. has tests at Mayo Clinic on July 26th. In order for her to attend the meeting, we can change it to July 23rd. A motion by Carol K. support by Kristina K. to change July's board meeting to Tuesday, July 23rd. Motion carried.
- B. Bank Building – Motion by Tom F. support by Carol K. to approve the use of the bank building by the "Chicken Coop". Motion carried.

Oasis Building – Motion by Kristina K. support by Tom F. to

approve the use of the Oasis for any overload from the "Chicken Coop" and being this building is for sale, it will be vacated when notice is given that the building has been sold. Motion carried.

- C. Horseshoe Courts – We have been asked if we would consider moving the horseshoe courts. The board has originally approved moving them to the area next to the old Lutheran church site. A motion by Tom F. support by Marilyn B. to move the horseshoe courts to this site enhancing our School Lake recreation area. Motion carried.
- D. Zoning Amendments – The planning commission has presented a motion to the board for the following: The rezoning of Section 30, one quarter of a mile east of Co. Rd LO and Section 31 one half mile east of Co. Rd. LO from R-1 Residential One to RR Rural Residential. The rezoning of Section 29 and 32 East of WR-2 Waterfront Residential Two to end of Sections from MP Mineral Production to RR Rural Residential. For all Sections 29, 30, 31 and 32 currently update Zoning Map of Republic Township or in the Marquette County 2009 Plat Book Page 24 T.46N. – R.29W. A motion by Kristina K. support by Carol K to approve the amendments as presented. Motion carried.


ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 – AYES 0 – NAYS

- E. Old Bank Bldg. Plumbing Repairs – A motion by Kristina K. support by Marilyn B. to approve bid by Michael Todd to make these repairs up to \$1000.00 plus the water drain points. Motion carried.
- F. ID Policy – A motion by Tom F. support by Kristina K. that the board institute a policy that we will only provide Fire ID numbers for residences that provide open gate access to the building or proposed building site. Motion carried.
- G. Memorial Day Activities – Parade at 9:30 a.m. Ceremony at the cemetery at 10:00 a.m. – All board members are requested to be present. Social gathering at the township hall with refreshments after the ceremony. A motion by Tom F. support by Carol K. to approve the township paying for the refreshments. Motion carried.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sandy Travis	Liz Hangas
Laura Maze	Joan Cutting
Jim Brennan	

11. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.


Marilyn Brancheau - Clerk