

# Republic Township Board

## December 18, 2014

### Regular Meeting Minutes

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Supervisor Johnson called the meeting to order @ 7:00pm....All Board Members were present.

**2. SALUTE TO FLAG:**

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Clerk Brancheau to approve, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen, all in favor, motion carried.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes for November 20, 2014 Regular Board Meeting – Motion by Trustee Knapp seconded by Trustee Feldhusen, all in favor, motion carried

**5. PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Treasurer Koski made the motion to pay the bills, Trustee Knapp seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Fred Nannestad**  
**Jim Brennan**

**7. REPORTS:**

- a. **TRUSTEE KNAPP** – Nothing at this time
- b. **TRUSTEE FELDHUSEN**- Community Services 80+ Christmas Baskets went well.
- c. **CLERK BRANCHEAU** – Merry Christmas & Happy New year to everyone
- d. **TREASURER KOSKI** – Same sentiment
- e. **ASSESSOR** – Tax roll is done, SEV's will go up.
- f. **SUPERVISOR** – Nothing at this time.
- g. **DPW** – DPW will need a new permit for the chlorine pump, as soon as that is received it can go out on bids. Get leak in South Republic excavated, Supervisor needs permission from Board to enter in to agreement with Lindberg that if it is our problem we fix it, if it is theirs, they fix it. Board wants our guys to do the excavation, and go from there.
- h. **FIRE** – Nothing at this time
- i. **AMBULANCE** – Thank you letter from EMS for the new Stryker Gurney

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. **Mine Rail Line** - Humboldt Twp approved a 75% - 25% split, waiting for papers come back from the attorney ( a rail line specialist)
- b. **School Lake/ Munson Park/ Recreation**- Tabled.

- c. **Bank Trust Fund Grant Status** – Bill Sanders will be at the meeting on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 we will discuss it then.
- d. **Sewer Grant** – Set public Meeting for Thursday January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in the evening 7 PM. Also Duane Reid has agreed to let us do a financial study in hopes of keeping sewer rates down. The cost would be \$3500.00. Motion to approve by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Trustee Knapp, all in favor, motion carried.
- e. **Heritage Trail Construction** – Nothing at this time
- f. **Office Manager’s Report** – was read into minutes.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **RM School Booster Club**– wants to be a legal entity, a non-profit corp: Needs Resolution. Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Clerk Brancheau, **Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.**
- b. **Solid Waste rate increase**– We may have to raise rates. Things are not going well at the MC Land fill. The Tipping fees have gone up again \$4.50 per ton.
- c. **Employee Hiring** – Drew Greipentrog hired on full time effective January 1, 2015 with Two year probation. This means he has 2 years to get his CDL and all certificates required. His other benefits such as holidays, sick time etc will be the same as for any other employee. His starting salary will be \$10.50 per hour. Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Clerk Brancheau, all in favor, motion carried.
- d. **Planning Commission Capital Improvements** – The Board wishes to meet with the Planning Commission regarding their figures submitted as they do not accept the figures presented.
- e. **Pine Grove** – Letter on old Card shop.
- f. **Budget Workshop Dates**- Thursday January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 @ 9:00am for first one.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Jim Brennan**  
**Keith Perry**

**11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT: None**

**12. ADJOURNMENT:** Supervisor Johnson Adjourned the meeting @ 8:00pm

Sworn and Subscribed to by:

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Marilyn, Brancheau, Clerk

Date