

Republic Township Board

November 17, 2016

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 Trustee Knapp, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen to approve, all in favor, motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

10/27/16 Regular Meeting – Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Clerk Brancheau, all in favor, motion carried.

11/02/2016 Special Meeting – Motion by Trustee Knapp, seconded by Clerk Brancheau, all in favor, motion carried

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

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

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Carol Nicholas
John Ulrich

7. REPORTS:

- a. **TRUSTEE KNAPP** – Nothing at this time.
- b. **TRUSTEE FELDHUSEN**- To thank the public for re-electing me to the Board. Also Republic Community Services is now working on organizing the annual Christmas Party for the kids to held at the School, and the over 80 Christmas baskets.
- c. **CLERK BRANCHEAU** – Like to thank Gary and Terry for their service.
- d. **TREASURER KOSKI** – Like to thank both for their service. Also we have to construct ADA picnic tables for the campground. An organization has contacted me that donate time and money for ADA projects. They will donate one table and will also donate manpower to help construct the tables. We will make sure the table they purchase is placed near the veteran's memorial with an acknowledgment on it. We are also looking for other manpower for help in constructing them.
- e. **ASSESSOR** – Nothing at this time
- f. **SUPERVISOR** – Nothing at this time.
- g. **DPW** – Nothing at this time

- h. **FIRE/AMBULANCE** – Just put money in to the ambulance for new tires and other maintenance issues.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. **Mine Rail Agreement** – Tabled for Next Board
- b. **Sewer Spill**– Signed consent order is done. Copy will get attached to the minutes. The immediate payment of \$2,800.00 will soon go out and the other \$14,000 will be paid over time.
- c. **Veteran's Memorial** – Currently has a balance of \$10,479.39 to help pay for the new memorial.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **DPW Foreman**– Alan Koski has been the DPW foreman for the last two months as a probationary period and it is time to make it permanent. Motion by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen, all in favor, motion carried.
- b. **Assessor Agreement**– Supervisor Johnson has offered to stay on as Assessor until February 28, 2017 to assist with the transition to Mr. Ulrich. The pay rate will remain the same, with a 30 day notice to terminate contract early. Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Clerk Brancheau, all in favor, motion carried.
- c. **Furnace for Old Bank Building** – We had received a price of \$4,679.00 for a new furnace for the Old Bank Building. This included a 10 year warranty on parts and labor. Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen, discussion followed regarding the logistics of putting in a new furnace. Motion and support was withdrawn, this will be addressed again at a later date.
- d. **Drywall Bids for fire bay** – Motion by Trustee Knapp, seconded by Treasurer Koski to go out for bids to get the drywall done in the old fire bay so it can be put to use, all in favor, motion carried.
- e. **John Deere Tractor** – 4410 model, 38 horsepower with only 750 hours on it. Rear PTO, 4WD, 3 point hitch. It also has a front end loader with interchangeable forks, 48” snow blower, a 6 ft brush hog, a rake and a ballast box. This has been offered to us for \$22,500.00 and will accept a payment schedule. We had been looking for something like this to clear snow here in town. Motion by Supervisor Johnson to purchase this with \$5,000.00 down with the remainder to come out of the budget in the following year, seconded by Treasurer Koski, all in favor, motion carried.
- f. **Auditor Agreement** – Anderson Tackman. For the next three years, required by Rural Development, motion to agree to another 3 years by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Clerk Brancheau, all in favor, motion carried.
- g. **Foreclosure Property** – Piece of property in foreclosure across the street from the old Park Hotel. Motion to reject ownership of this property by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Treasurer Koski, all in favor, motion carried.
- h. **ZBA Membership** – Comments that were made at the last meeting regarding the rules on how ~~SBA~~ ZBA members are chosen were incorrect and the Board is correct in choosing the members. Motion to approve Donald Tapio, from the PC, Tina Koski from the RTB, And Ron Kulie from the public at large by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Treasurer Koski, all in favor, motion carried.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:
Carol Nicholas

ADJOURNMENT: Supervisor Johnson adjourned the meeting @ 7:30 pm.

Sworn and Subscribed to by:

Marilyn Brancheau 13-14-14
Marilyn Brancheau, Clerk Date

Monday Nov. 7, 2016
RES Building
7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by chief Koski.

Roll call was taken with 17 members present and or accounted for.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

(COMMUNICATIONS)

On Tuesday Dec. 13th Marquette County Fire Fighters Assoc. meeting in Richmond TWP at 7:30 p.m.

Al said Fire Training starts January 3rd he will get books order and anything else needed.

Al said U P fire chiefs meeting there wasn't much only a few showed up.

Members went over prices and what styles of shirts or hoodies. A motion to order shirts & hoodies was made by Scott Lofstrom supported by Bill Wheeler. Motion carried.

(COMMITTEES)

Calendar report was given with all calendars out, just waiting on money to come in.

The chief asked if anyone had department business because he had nothing and needs a motion for adjournment. A motion for adjournment was made by Pat Dinkins supported by Jim Koski. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Pat Radcliffe Secretary