

**Republic Township Board**  
**March 23, 2017**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**2. SALUTE TO FLAG:**

**3. WELCOME TO THE PUBLIC**

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Supervisor Ulrich seconded by Treasurer Koski to approve the agenda with the addition of 8F Budget Amendments, all in favor, motion carried.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

02/23/17 Regular Meeting – Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Supervisor Ulrich, all in favor motion carried

03/02/17 Budget Meeting – Motion by Supervisor Ulrich, seconded by Treasurer Koski, all in favor motion carried

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**7. REPORTS:**

- a. **TRUSTEE FELDHUSEN**– Road Commission Advisory Board has not had any meetings for months
- b. **TRUSTEE STANKUS**- MCSWC, Marquette County may join again, however, they would need a unanimous vote from all 20 participating municipalities.
- c. **CLERK BRANCHEAU** – Nothing at this time
- d. **TREASURER KOSKI** – Nothing at this time
- e. **DPW** – Nothing at this time
- f. **IOHT** – Dean DuMoulin stated that Humboldt and Ely have not yet approved the millage for maintaining their portions of the trail yet. Also, he will be taking a seasonal job with the DNR so he will need an alternate for his IOHT meetings.
- g. **FIRE/AMBULANCE** – EMS Coordinator Hailie Dyer spoke, working on arranging for a school, costs need to be budgeted for and our transport status is currently under review. Because our numbers are so few, anytime more than one of us is out of the Township, we are technically out of service, so more people to run this service is a must. Also, we will need to purchase a new AED to be in compliance very soon.
- h. **ASSESSOR** – Board of Review went well. There will be one more meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am to finalize everything.

- i. **PLANNING COMMISSION** – 3/13/17 met for public hearing on the Zoning Maps, an issue came up so we met again on the 20<sup>th</sup> of March and passed the map with 5 ayes and one abstaining, PC recommendation is to approve the map.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR** – PC approved the Zoning Map, you all have copies. Motion by Supervisor Ulrich, seconded by Treasurer Koski to accept the new Zoning Map as presented

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Supervisor Ulrich**      X   Aye -      Nay  
**Treasurer Koski**      X   Aye -      Nay  
**Clerk Brancheau**      X   Aye -      Nay  
**Trustee Feldhusen**   X   Aye -      Nay  
**Trustee Stankus**      X   Aye -      Nay

All in favor, Motion is carried.

- j. **SUPERVISOR** – Attended Budget meetings, TFA meetings, still doing interviews for DPW, Range Communications for an additional camera for the fire bay

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. **Sewer Grant**– Met with Matt Trudeau this morning; went over the latest drawings and have submitted to USDA for comment. Hopefully be able to go for bids by late May
- b. **Veteran’s Memorial** – Currently has a balance of \$13,178.76 to help pay for the new memorial. Working on a new design, flag poles will be provided by Superior Extrusion and name plates are being worked on. More donations are expected.
- c. **Spring Clean-up** – Perhaps have a free Transfer Station day and there should be a weight limit. Speak with Al Koski about the weight limit for his suggestion.
- d. **Mine Rail**– April 5<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm here at the Town Hall.
- e. **Adopt 2017/2018 Budget and Budget Amendments** – Motion already in Budget hearing for the budget itself, but the budget amendments need a motion. Motion by Supervisor Ulrich to accept final budget amendments as presented, seconded by Trustee Stankus:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Supervisor Ulrich**      X   Aye -      Nay  
**Treasurer Koski**      X   Aye -      Nay  
**Clerk Brancheau**      X   Aye -      Nay  
**Trustee Feldhusen**   X   Aye -      Nay  
**Trustee Stankus**      X   Aye -      Nay

All in favor, Motion is carried.

- f. **DPW Hire** – Mr. Harger refused our offer, interviews are still ongoing
- g. **Land Division Ordinance** – Minor changes to the Land Division Ordinance, have been reviewed by attorney. Motion to adopt/publish the Land Division Ordinance # 2017-31 by Supervisor Ulrich, seconded by Treasurer Koski,

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Ulrich  Aye -  Nay  
Treasurer Koski  Aye -  Nay  
Clerk Brancheau  Aye -  Nay  
Trustee Feldhusen  Aye -  Nay  
Trustee Stankus  Aye -  Nay

All in favor, Motion is carried.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **New Meeting Dates**– Are finished and posted
- b. **PC Resignation**– Post for 2 new PC members.
- c. **Wellhead Protection Program** – Motion by Supervisor Ulrich to have UPEA assist with applying for grants to update out program, seconded by Trustee Stankus, all in favor, motion carried. Please ask for an estimate
- d. **IOHT Millage Renewal** – Possibly put it on this year’s ballot.
- e. **Township vs. Perry** – August 24, 2017 will go to mediation. Motion by Clerk Brancheau, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen to make Treasurer Koski the official representative for the mediation, all in favor, motion carried
- f. **Assessor of Record** – Mr. Johnson has asked for more time to review the role and the actions of the Board of Review than the 4 hours previously approved. He has asked for \$25.00 per hour for anything over 4 hours and mileage. Motion by Supervisor Ulrich, seconded by Treasurer Koski to approve this request

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Ulrich  Aye -  Nay  
Treasurer Koski  Aye -  Nay  
Clerk Brancheau  Aye -  Nay  
Trustee Feldhusen  Aye -  Nay  
Trustee Stankus  Aye -  Nay

All in favor, Motion is carried.

- 10. **PAYMENT OF BILLS** – Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Supervisor Ulrich

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Ulrich  Aye -  Nay  
Treasurer Koski  Aye -  Nay  
Clerk Brancheau  Aye -  Nay  
Trustee Feldhusen  Aye -  Nay  
Trustee Stankus  Aye -  Nay

All in favor, Motion is carried.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Marilyn Helmila  
John Ison

**ADJOURNMENT:** Supervisor Ulrich adjourned the meeting @ 8:40 pm.

Sworn and Subscribed to by:

Marilyn Brancheau 5-4-17  
Marilyn Brancheau, Clerk Date

APPROVED