

# Republic Township Board

## December 17, 2015

### 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 Treasurer Koski, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen to approve with the removal of 9B, all in favor, motion carried.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

11/19/15 Regular Meeting – Motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Trustee Knapp, all in favor, motion carried.

#### 5. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Treasurer Koski made the motion to pay the bills, Clerk Brancheau seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

#### 6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

**Jim Brennan**

#### 7. REPORTS:

- a. **TRUSTEE KNAPP** – Nothing at this time.
- b. **TRUSTEE FELDHUSEN**- Merry Christmas to all and a Happy, Healthy New Year!
- c. **CLERK BRANCHEAU** – Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
- d. **TREASURER KOSKI** – Nothing at this time
- e. **ASSESSOR** – Nothing at this time
- f. **SUPERVISOR** – We received a letter from Joe DeRoche that Mr. Crimmins has stated he will keep the dam and make the necessary repairs.
- g. **DPW** – Nothing at this time
- h. **FIRE/AMBULANCE** – Nancy Currie said thank you to all of you for the new radios.
- i. **OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT** – Nothing at this time.

#### 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. **Mine Rail Line** - There was a joint meeting between both Republic and Humboldt Township Boards to review the agreement, changes are now being made to satisfy both boards.
- b. **Sewer Grant**– Waiting on Duane Reid.

- c. **School Lake/Munson Park Grant** – We are expecting Bill Sanders here on Friday December 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss the plans.
- d. **Water Department** - we have an unbudgeted repair that needs to be approved, motion by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Trustee Knapp,

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Johnson  Aye -  Nay  
 Treasurer Koski  Aye -  Nay  
 Clerk Brancheau  Aye -  Nay  
 Trustee Feldhusen  Aye -  Nay  
 Trustee Knapp  Aye -  Nay  
**5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Motion Passes**

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Approve Members for TIFA & Planning Commission**– We currently have the following members; Todd Rankinen, Chuck Hurst, Norine Maki, Laura Maze and Gary Johnson. With the dam issue being handled another way, Supervisor Johnson would like to freeze the membership and activities for one year. Motion by Trustee Knapp, seconded by Treasurer Koski, all in favor, motion carried. We have received requests for membership on the PC, Motion by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen to appoint Fred Nannestad and Laura Maze to the PC, all in favor, motion carried. Supervisor Johnson will write letters to TIFA Board members informing them of this membership freeze.
- b. **Truck Purchase**– Tabled
- c. **EMT Coordinator Issue**– Nancy Currie will be stepping down as EMT Coordinator. The State requires that in order to operate we must have a coordinator. Ask Nancy to get a job description. Then we will place an ad.
- d. **January 2016 Meeting** - Has been scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the MTA conference will be the week before.
- e. **Adopt Employment Policy** – We have completely revamped our Employee Policy and need to adopt it. Motion by Trustee Knapp, seconded by Treasurer Koski,

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Johnson  Aye -  Nay  
 Treasurer Koski  Aye -  Nay  
 Clerk Brancheau  Aye -  Nay  
 Trustee Feldhusen  Aye -  Nay  
 Trustee Knapp  Aye -  Nay  
**5 Ayes, 0 Nays, Motion Passes**

- f. **FOIA Appeal** – From Mr. Nannestad. Appeal for lease rates that were thought to not be included in a FOIA response regarding Cable America Land and Tower Leases. Response will be made part of the minutes; response was read to the public. Motion to approve the response by Clerk Brancheau, seconded by Trustee Feldhusen, all in favor, motion carried.
- g. **Capital Improvement proposed by Planning Commission** - the Planning Commission has provided to us a proposed capital improvement plan, motion to

accept it by Treasurer Koski, seconded by Clerk Brancheau, all in favor, motion carried

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Laura Maze  
Jim Brennan**

**Tara Williams**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Supervisor Johnson adjourned the meeting @ 7:40 pm.

Sworn and Subscribed to by:

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Marilyn Brancheau, Clerk

Date

Approved