

HOWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING
June 13, 2016
Howell Township Hall
6:30. p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Coddington	Supervisor
Carolyn Eaton	Clerk/Zoning Administrator
Jonathan Hohenstein	Treasurer
Matthew Counts	Trustee
Dar Howard	Trustee
Lois Kanniainen	Trustee
Michael Tipton	Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Supervisor Coddington called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The roll was called. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO THE BOARD: MOTION by Eaton, seconded by Hohenstein, “**TO APPROVE THE JUNE 13, 2016 AGENDA AS AMENDED; ADD ITEM 8C, WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT MUSKRAT CONTROL AND ITEM 9I, KLAHS’ REU SPLIT.**” Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION by Hohenstein, seconded by Howard, “**TO APPROVE THE MAY 9, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS AMENDED: UNDER NEW BUSINESS E, CORRECT SPELLING OF THE WORD WASTE AND UNDER REPORTS C ITEM 3, CORRECT THE SPELLING OF THE WORD LETTERS.**” Motion carried. (See May 9, 2016 Minutes) Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

See list. Add Pipeline Safety.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Paul Rogers from the HAPRA presented an update on the first 5-1/2 months of the Howell Township participation with the Howell Parks and Recreation. In the HAPRA’s Customer Listing Report, some of the participants who are listed as Howell Township residents are not from the township but have a Howell address.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT BARGE – It is not possible to salvage the current pontoon boat to upgrade it to a working barge that is being recommended for the aeration basin. Jerry Livernois, the plant manager, has recommend a new barge. Discussion followed. **MOTION** by Hohenstein, seconded by Tipton, “**TO PURCHASE THE RECOMMENDED BARGE AT THE PRICE OF \$11,697.00 AS PRESENTED.**” Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Hohenstein-yes, Howard-no, Counts-yes, Kanniainen-yes, Coddington-yes, Eaton-yes, Tipton-yes. Motion carried 6 to1.

- B. WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT KENNEDY PUMP STATION TOOLEY ROAD – Plant manager, Jerry Livernois, gave an explanation of the needed Tooley Road Lift Station. Discussion followed. **MOTION** by Howard, seconded by Hohenstein,

“TO PURCHASE THE FULL REMOTE KISM SYSTEM FOR \$5,620.00 PLUS THE \$780.00 ANNUAL FEE TO HOST THE SERVICE AS PRESENTED.” Discussion followed. Motion carried.

- C. WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT MUSKRAT CONTROL - Plant manager, Jerry Livernois, reported that there are approximately 30 muskrats burrowing and tunneling around the pond which is causing problems. Several people/organizations were contacted to get rid of the muskrats. Creature Control has given a bid of \$150.00 a week for 4 weeks and \$65.00 a muskrat for a total of \$2,550.00 to trap and depose of the muskrats. **MOTION** by Howard, seconded by Tipton, **“TO PROCEED WITH THE BID, NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500.00, FROM CREATURE CONTROL.”** Motion carried 6 to 1.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. H.E.R.O. TEEN CENTER HARTLAND PRESENTATION – H.E.R.O. Teen Center director, Susan Dewan, gave an overview of the center and what it does for teens 7th through the 12th grade. There are teens of diverse backgrounds. She informed that there are several teens that are from the Howell area. Teen leader, Ciara Brown, explained what she likes about the center, some of the activities available and that she believes it is a safe place for teens.
- B. 2016/2017 BUDGET – **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Hohenstein, **“TO APPROVE THE 2016/2017 BUDGET AS AMENDED.”** Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Counts-yes, Coddington-yes, Tipton-yes, Hohenstein-yes, Howard-yes, Kanninen-yes, Eaton-yes. Motion carried 7 to 0.
- C. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT RESOLUTION – **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Hohenstein, **“TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #06.16.402 ADOPTING THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT JUNE 13, 2016.”** Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Hohenstein-yes, Counts-yes, Kanninen-yes, Howard-yes, Eaton-yes, Coddington-yes, Tipton-yes. Motion carried 7 to 0.
- D. 2016/2017 TAX LEVY RESOLUTION – **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Howard, **“TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #06.16.403, 2016 TAX LEVY.”** Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Coddington-yes, Howard-yes, Eaton-yes, Counts-yes, Tipton-yes, Hohenstein-yes, Kanninen-yes. Motion carried 7 to 0.
- E. RESOLUTIONS TO ESTABLISH 2016/2017 TOWNSHIP OFFICERS SALARY:
- 1) Supervisor – **MOTION** by Howard, seconded by Eaton, **“TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #06.16.404, SUPERVISOR SALARY WITH NO CHANGE & \$60.00 PER DIEM FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS AFTER ATTENDING THE FIRST MEETING.”** Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Kanninen-yes, Hohenstein-yes, Howard-yes, Tipton-yes, Coddington-yes, Eaton-yes, Counts-yes. Motion carried 7 to 0.
 - 2) Clerk – **MOTION** Howard, seconded by Hohenstein, **“TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #06.16.405, CLERK SALARY WITH NO CHANGE & \$60.00 PER DIEM FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS AFTER ATTENDING THE FIRST MEETING.”** Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken:

- Howard-yes, Tipton-yes, Hohenstein-yes, Eaton-yes, Kanninen-yes, Counts-yes, Coddington-yes. Motion carried 7 to 0.
- 3) Treasurer – **MOTION** by Tipton, seconded by Counts, **“TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #06.16.406, TREASURER SALARY WITH NO CHANGE & \$60.00 PER DIEM FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS AFTER ATTENDING THE FIRST MEETING.”** Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Eaton -yes, Kanninen-yes, Counts-yes, Coddington-yes, Hohenstein-yes, Tipton-yes, Howard-yes. Motion carried 7 to 0.
- 4) Trustee - **MOTION** by Hohenstein, seconded by Howard, **“TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #06.16.407, TRUSTEE SALARY WITH NO CHANGE & \$60.00 PER DIEM FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS AFTER ATTENDING THE FIRST MEETING.”** A roll-call vote was taken: Tipton-yes, Eaton-yes, Coddington-yes, Kanninen-yes, Counts-yes, Howard-yes, Hohenstein-yes. Township Board salaries stayed the same as last year.
- F. ASSESSOR APPOINTMENT – Township Assessor Marilyn Collins is retiring at the end of the month. Deputy Supervisor/Accounting Clerk Brent Kilpela has been taking Assessing Classes. **MOTION** by Hohenstein, seconded by Howard, **“TO APPOINT BRENT KILPELA AS TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR EFFECTIVE JUNE 29, 2016.”** Discussion followed. Motion carried.
- G. SET PUBLIC HEARING IFEC DATAPAK SERVICES CORP. RESOLUTION – **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Howard, **“TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING ON 07/11/2016 FOR DATAPAK SERVICES CORP, RESOLUTION #06.16.408.”** Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Eaton-yes, Kanninen-yes, Howard-yes, Hohenstein-yes, Tipton-yes, Coddington-yes, Counts-yes. Motion carried 7 to 0.
- H. VIOLATION SIX CORNERS ANTIQUES – Clerk/Zoning Administrator Eaton reported that letters have been sent to Six Corners Antiques located at the corner of Grand River and Warner Road informing them to clean up the property. The township was informed of two different auctions that were to have taken place and then the items would be removed. Recent pictures show that some progress has been made but there are still several violations on the property. Discussion took place with Six Corners Antiques and they now have until June 21st to bring property into compliance with township ordinances or they will be ticketed.
- I. KLAH’S REU SPLIT – The owners of the 5.13 acres on the SE corner of Tooley and Bowen Roads with 4 REUs that is being paid on would like to split the property as follows: 1 REU on 2.41 acres that includes the house and the other 3 REU’s on the remaining 2.72 acres. Discussion followed. It was consensus of the board to allow the split of the property into 2 parcels as requested but with 2 REU’s on each of the parcels.

REPORTS:

- A. SUPERVISOR:
(Coddington)
No report.

B. TREASURER:

(Hohenstein)

- The properties that will go up for tax sale and the township's best options for those properties
- On the road work for Crandall Road and Allen Road.
- The dust problems on the roads because of dry weather. Rain is needed for the chloride to take effect.
- Completion of bridge work on Mason Road.
- The repaving of Burkhart Road from M59 to the Outlet Mall.
- House on corner of Crandall and Warner that the students from the high school built. There is hope that this group might want to purchase township property for future sites for future homes.

C. CLERK/ZONING:

(Eaton)

- See written report.
- Requested that a ½ refund be granted for a permit that was pulled for an addition to a house because mother was moving in. Mother died before anything was started. **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Howard **"TO RETURN ½ OF PERMIT FEE AS PRESENTED."** Discussion followed. Motion carried.
- **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Howard, **"TO SEND DEPUTY CLERK JOHNSON TO CEMETERY SOLUTIONS ON JULY 13TH."** Discussion followed. Motion carried.
- A possible Muggs & Bopps going in corner of Mason and Burkhart.

D. ASSESSING:

(Submitted by Collins)

- See written report.

E. AIRPORT:

(Tipton)

- See written report.
- Open House Fly-In on 6/25 to coordinate with the Balloon Fest.
- Possible paving of Tooley and Bowen Roads and future development.
- Clean-up Day, 10% increase in residents' participation.
- The future combination Shredding and Red Barrel Day, August 6,2016.

F. FIRE AUTHORITY:

(Coddington)

- Amendment to the Michigan Mutual Aid Agreement.
- Update on building.
- Paid bills.

G. MHOG:

(Coddington, Howard)

- Tap-in fees; their fees and our fees.

H. PLANNING COMMISSION:

(Counts)

- Master Plan continuation.

I. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

(Kanniainen)

- Next Meeting on the 20th.

J. Website:

(Counts)

- Development and test runs almost done and should be up and running by the first of July.

K. WWTP:

(Hohenstein)

- Nothing to add. See Unfinished Business.

L. HAPRA:

(Kanniainen)

- Finances.
- Upcoming millage was discussed.

CALL TO PUBLIC:

John Mills, 1750 Oak Grove Road – Commented on the destroyed drain tile on the 1907 Oak Grove Road property. Gave comments about his property in Rolling Oaks. Had questions about the pontoon boat used at the WWTP. (See Unfinished Business.) Gave an opinion about using minks to help in getting rid of muskrats. Wanted to understand if there was a pay raise to the board in the previous motions? (No, the salaries stayed the same.)

DISBURSEMENTS REGULAR AND CHECK REGISTER:

MOTION by Eaton, seconded by Hohenstein, **“TO APPROVE THE REGULAR DISBURSEMENTS THROUGH JUNE 8, 2016 AND CHECK REGISTER AS PRESENTED, ALSO ANY CUSTOMARY AND NORMAL PAYMENTS FOR THE MONTH AND TO RECOMMEND FERGUSON ROOFING FOR THE NEW ROOF AS QUOTED (\$20,760.00).”** Discussion followed. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by, Kanniainen, seconded by Howard **“TO ADJOURN.”** Motion carried. The meeting adjourned 8:35 p.m.

Approved: X

Carolyn Eaton
Howell Township Clerk

As Presented: X

As Amended: _____

Corrected: _____

Mike Coddington
Howell Township Supervisor

Dated 07.11.2016

Signed: _____
Debby Johnson, Recording Secretary