

October 11, 2023

The Rich Township Board met at the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm. David Scheurer was absent so Tricia Kester appointed Gary Curell to oversee the meeting in his place.

Motion by Kester Supported by Chittick-Harvey. MOTION CARRIED. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Gary Curell opened the meeting with prayer.

Members Present: Chittick-Harvey, Curell, & Kester Members Absent: Scheuer & Mohr

Visitors: Lee Myers, Dan Hurd, Ron Gromak, Keith & Marianne Fleckenstein & Tom Sansote.

Motion by Kester, supported by Chittick-Harvey to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Chittick-Harvey, supported by Kester to accept into record the minutes of the September meeting as drafted. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Kester, supported by Chittick-Harvey to accept into record the Treasurers' Report as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Kester, supported by Chittick-Harvey to pay monthly bills from the General Fund, \$12,350.57 with checks numbered 14049 through 14057. (None from the Mosquito Account.) MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Chittick-Harvey, supported by Kester to pay monthly bills from the Cemetery Fund \$1,220.66 with checks numbered 1212 & 1213. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion by Curell and Kester explaining that Gary had to have his last paycheck voided due to the accidental addition of summer taxes when it should have been omitted; thereby resulting in printing a replacement corrected paycheck for Curell in these bills.

Motion by Curell for the Resolution for Our Home Our Voice (in regard to the current laws trying to be passed which takes away the control of the township in regard to local land use decisions.) We will send this Resolution to the applicable members of government to maintain our local control over local land uses including, but not limited to: Short-term rentals, industrial solar installations, industrial wind turbine installations and sand and gravel mining. We voted unanimously to accept this resolution. Supported by Kester. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment: There was discussion started by Sansote about not renewing our current lawn-care contract for the hall and cemetery. Tom Sansote stated that the trash was overflowing and all over the ground at the cemetery. He stated that someone local mows Watertown Township's cemetery which looks immaculate and they pay them \$6,000/yr. Kester stated that she had visited and saw the branches down and headstones moved after the last meeting. Dan Hurd agrees with doing something to fix the issue. Tom asked if we could be open to getting bids. Kester agreed to bring in the Right Touch Landscaping contract at the next meeting. Curell is open to getting bids on mowers and from others for mowing if that is their wish.

Ron Gromak also brought up that he would like to see us ask for a report from the mosquito control company after each season. Curell stated that we should be able to get that since the company does keep that data. Dan Hurd reminded Kester that she needed to send him a copy of the minutes after each meeting too for the web site. Kester responded that she will send those to him.

There was discussion wondering about where we were with updating our web site and buying the domain names (.org & .gov) for our township. Dan Hurd had the paperwork for the .gov name ready for Scheuer to sign but since he was not here it will be put off until later.

No Zoning permits.

Motion by Chittick-Harvey, supported by Kester to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Tricia Kester, Clerk

David Scheuer, Supervisor