

Holly Township
Board of Trustees – Special Virtual Meeting
Minutes of August 19, 2020

Call to Order: Supervisor Kullis called the regular meeting of the Holly Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:42 p.m. Held on Zoom Webinar.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

George Kullis, Supervisor
Mark Freeman, Treasurer
Karin Winchester, Clerk
Steve Ruth, Trustee
Pat Feeney, Trustee

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Agenda Approval.
2. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes – June 22 and June 30, 2020
3. Approval of Financial Statement – June/July 2020.
4. Approval of Bills for Payment – June - August 2020.
5. Receipt of Routine Reports:
 - A. N.O.C.F.A. Minutes – June 16 and July 21, 2020.
 - B. Planning Commission Minutes – June 2 and July 7, 2020.
 - C. Building Permits – June/July 2020.
 - D. Treasurer’s Annual and Quarterly Report – June 30, 2020.

Agenda Approval:

- **Clerk Winchester made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Treasurer Freeman supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken; all those present voted yes; motion carried 5/0.**

Public Hearings: none.

Presentation: none.

Reports:

Supervisor Kullis updated the Board about the North Holly Road Construction.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only:

Mary Blanchard, 3444 Old Leake Dr- addressed the Board regarding the Holly Heritage Farmstead.

Business:

1. **National Recovery Month – Proposed Resolution 2020-18.**

- **Clerk Winchester moved to approve the National Recovery Month – Proposed Resolution 2020-18. Treasurer Freeman supported the motion. A roll call was taken; all those present voted yes; motion carried 5/0.**

2. National Suicide Prevention Month – Proposed Resolution 2020-19.

- **Clerk Winchester moved to National Suicide Prevention Month – Proposed Resolution 2020-19. Trustee Ruth supported the motion. A roll call was taken; all those present voted yes; motion carried 5/0.**

3. Bat Extermination Proposals.

Supervisor Kullis presented the proposals he had received to solve the bat problem at the Township Offices. Clerk Winchester stated that Michigan Wildlife Solutions offers a warranty and that is going to be important moving forward. Trustee Feeny stated that the warranty is important. The Board continued conversation about the need to remove the bats from the offices and the damage the bats are causing to the building and its contents.

- **Clerk Winchester moved to approve the proposal from Michigan Wildlife Solutions for \$3,050.00. Trustee Ruth supported the motion. A roll call was taken; Feeny: yes; Freeman: yes; Ruth: yes; Winchester: yes; Kullis: yes; motion carried 5/0.**

4. Speed Limits on Unpaved Roads Discussion.

Supervisor Kullis informed the Board that this was a topic of discussion at the last Oakland County Township Supervisors (OCATS) meeting. MDOT currently sets the speed limits on unpaved roads; stating that roads without posted speed limits are 55 mph. There have been discussions with State Representatives and Senators about this topic; there is support from both parties. There is a sample for resolution language included in the Board packet, OCATS is looking for questions or comments; once this has been reviewed and the language is finalized, a resolution and signed bill will be submitted to the legislation.

This legislation would bring the decision on unpaved road speed limits back to the local municipal level. Supervisor Kullis stated that TIA would assist with proper studies.

5. Senate Bill 431 Discussion.

Senator Ruth Johnson is looking for feedback on Senate Bill 431; Supervisor Kullis asked the Clerk and the Treasurer specifically being they deal with the gravel pits more than other Board members.

6. Communications

Supervisor Kullis asked Trustee Feeny to comment. Trustee Feeny stated that Mary Blanchard had read the letter for the Farmstead from attorney Dale Smith. Trustee Feeny stated that he felt that the letter should have been on the agenda for discussion. Trustee Feeny also stated that there should be a conversation about the Farmstead as a whole, the plans, and the involvement of the Farmstead group.

Supervisor Kullis stated that prior to the Dale Smith letter, the Farmstead group had submitted a suggestion for a contract/agreement between the Farmstead group and Holly Township. The Board continued conversation on various comments made or not made by Board members.

Public Comment:

Mary Blanchard, 3444 Old Leake Dr- addressed the Board.

Derek Burton, 14016 Fish Lake Rd-addressed the Board.

Adjournment

Supervisor Kullis, hearing no other business, adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Amy N. Hillman
Recording Secretary

Karin S. Winchester, Clerk