

Holly Township
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Minutes of April 17, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Kullis called the Regular Meeting of the Holly Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 pm located at the Karl Richter Campus in Holly Area Schools Meeting Room, 920 E. Baird St., Holly, Michigan 48442

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

George A. Kullis, Supervisor
Karin S. Winchester, Clerk
Jennifer Ryan, Treasurer
Derek Burton, Trustee
Steve Ruth, Trustee

Members Absent: None

AGENDA APPROVAL

- **Motion by Clerk Winchester to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Trustee Burton. A voice vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion carried 5/0.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2024.
2. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes – March 6, 2024.
3. Approval of Financial Statement – March 2024.
4. Approval of Bills for Payment – April 2024.
5. Receipt of Routine Reports:
 - A. N.O.C.F.A. Minutes – March 18, 2024.
 - B. Planning Commission Minutes – March 5, 2024.
 - C. Building Permits – March 2024.
 - D. Treasurer’s Annual and Quarterly Report – March 31, 2024.
6. Communications: None.

- **Motion by Treasurer Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Supported by Trustee Ruth. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion carried 5/0.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 2024 Block Grant Application Hearing.

- **Motion by Clerk Winchester to open the public hearing at 6:32 pm. Supported by Trustee Burton. A voice vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion carried 5/0.**

No public comments.

- **Motion by Clerk Winchester to close the public hearing at 6:36 pm. Supported by Trustee Burton. A voice vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion carried 5/0.**

PRESENTATIONS: Holly Parks 2024-25 Proposed Parks Budget.

Amy Childers (Program Coordinator) and Joe Hutchins (Chairperson) presented the parks budget. Trustee Burton commented that it appears there will be extensive updates and maintenance this year. Childers confirmed. The beach will be staffed with senior citizens who will be paid through a program with Michigan Works at no cost to Parks and Recreation. The beach will be free all summer (no beach tags required). The cost of operating supplies is greatly reduced due to carefully tracking consumables.

REPORTS:**Trustee Ruth**

- No report. No Planning Commission meeting this month.

Trustee Burton

- HAYA youth recognition has been extended. Submit nominations as soon as possible. The application is on the website.
- HAYA 2023 annual report is out and will be forwarded to the board.

Clerk Winchester

- Clerk Winchester attended MTA class and presented the following highlights:
- Township properties and facilities are not for public purposes. If used for public purposes, the board must state why and include that in policy.
- If the space is leased, it should be at the going rate within the community. Taxpayers have a right to a fair return on rental of their public facilities.
- If the board leases to a public or private individual, the property should be returned to the tax roll as it's no longer being used for governmental purposes.
- No board member or employee has the right to allow use of the public facilities.
- If the Township Hall is used for public purposes, it has to be for everyone. There should be no distinguishing between community groups and other residents that wish to use it. It's an everybody or nobody policy.

Treasurer Ryan

- Treasurer Ryan and the Deputy Treasurer are going to MMTA meeting, so the Treasurer's office will be closed April 22-26.

Supervisor Kullis

- There was a post on the Riverside North Facebook page calling for more people to attend tonight's meeting regarding what's going on with the roads and turning over the roads to the Oakland County Road Commission. This is a project that's been going on for 20 years. When these developments are created there is a bond put forth and there are requirements that the developer needs to do. The project was begun in 2005 and sat virtually empty for many years. There have been three developers on this property, and the bond has been used for different things along the way. The bond was set in 2005 when the development began, and the dollar doesn't go as far as it used to. The Township is working with the current developer as well as we can. They have completed items but still have a list of things to be done. It comes down to finances. The road commission is requiring the roads to be redone since they were begun 15 years ago. They also have to do deed restrictions and easements. If there is court action to go after the bond (which is from the first developer), there's not enough money in the bond for the work that needs to be done. Also, if they're at a point where they're losing money, they can file bankruptcy and then it's up to the HOA. The developers are communicating with us and with the

county and getting some things done – not as quickly as we might like – but it’s moving along. Hopefully, the two gentlemen present tonight will take this information back to the homeowners. We are hoping to get this resolved without anyone filing bankruptcy and without going to court because the court costs come out of the bond. The landscaping around the sidewalks should be done within the next couple of weeks. Spark Paving will be repairing the crack. There are street trees to address, but we’ll get to that after the roads.

PUBLIC COMMENT (on Agenda items only) None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Township Hall Property.

Supervisor Kullis and Clerk Winchester met with HRC, and they will have a proposal for the May meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Township Boards and Meeting Dates – Proposed Resolution 2024-07.

The Planning Commission meetings have been moved from the first Tuesday of the month to the second Wednesday of the month. Nothing else has changed. Meetings are scheduled at the Township Hall until a move-in date for the new location is established.

➤ **Motion by Trustee Burton to approve Proposed Resolution 2024-07 with the correction of changing the address for the location of both meetings to 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan. Supported by Clerk Winchester. A roll call vote was taken. Treasurer Ryan, yes; Trustee Ruth, yes; Clerk Winchester, yes; Trustee Burton, yes; Supervisor Kullis, no. The motion carried 4/1.**

2. Meeting location change for June 19 meeting.

➤ **Motion by Clerk Winchester to change the meeting location for June 19 to 102 Civic Drive at 6:30. Supported by Treasurer Ryan. A voice vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion carried 5/0.**

3. 2024-25 NOCFA Budget, Proposed Resolution 2024-08.

The budget total is \$2,845,750. That’s a 4% increase to the Townships’ portions. Holly Township’s portion is \$1,103,000.

➤ **Motion by Clerk Winchester to approve the 2024-25 NOCFA budget, Proposed Resolution 2024-08. Supported by Treasurer Ryan. A roll call vote was taken Clerk Winchester, yes; Treasurer Ryan, yes; Trustee Burton, no; Trustee Ruth, yes; Supervisor Kullis, yes. The motion carried 4/1.**

4. Park Budget.

Moved to next month’s agenda to prepare a Resolution.

5. HAYC Contract for Opioid Settlement Activities.

Clerk Winchester stated that it was the board’s intention when we received the settlements to transfer the funds to NOCFA. Unfortunately, it puts NOCFA in a different reporting category, and it isn’t feasible for them to use the money. The Holly Area Youth Coalition can use the funding which also has an educational component. If additional settlements are received, the money will automatically go

to HAYC.

- **Motion by Supervisor Kullis to approve the HAYC contract for Opioid Settlement Activities. Supported by Clerk Winchester. A roll call vote was taken Trustee Ruth, no; Treasurer Ryan, yes; Trustee Burton, yes; Clerk Winchester, yes; Supervisor Kullis, yes. The motion carried 4/1.**

6. Application for the CBDG, Proposed Resolution 2024-09.

- **Motion by Treasurer Ryan to approve Proposed Resolution 2024-09, the CBDG Application, as updated. Supported by Trustee Burton. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion carried 5/0.**

7. Removal of One Board of Review Alternate, Term Ending December 31.

- **Motion by Supervisor Kullis to remove Pam Krantz as an alternate. Supported by Treasurer Ryan. A voice vote was taken. All present voted yes. The motion was carried 5/0.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Erick Fair, 2109 Middle Ridge Drive, addressed the board.

Martin Andreski, 2105 Middle Ridge Drive, addressed the board.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Kullis adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Diane M. Hill, Recording Secretary

Karin S. Winchester, Clerk