



**ADA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
January 14, 2019**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Haga at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Supervisor Haga, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Moran, Trustees Jacobs and Proos. Members absent: Trustee Hurwitz. Also present: Planning Director Ferro, Parks Director Fitzpatrick, DDA Coordinator Hilbrands, and approximately 16 community members.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Added to the agenda under III A. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – December 17, 2018 Township Board Minutes. **Moved by Proos, supported by Moran, to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

Township Board Minutes – 12/10/18 and 12/17/18

**Receive and File Various Reports/Communications**

1. GVMC Transportation Newsletter – Fall, 2018; 2. Comcast Update Letter – 12/3/18 and 12/19/18; 3. Fire Department Activity Report – 11/18; 4. Township Building Report; 5. Park Directors Report – 12/18; 6. Parks, Recreation and Land Preservation Advisory Board Minutes – 11/8/18; 7. Ada Historical Society Minutes – 11/8/18; 8. Hope Network Transit Services – 11/18; 9. Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) Minutes – 12/4/18; 10. Planning Commission Minutes – 9/20/18; 11. Grand Rapids Business Journal – 12/18; 12. Progressive AE – Progress Minutes – Settlers Grove Project – 12/12/18. **Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to approve the Minutes and accept the Reports and Communications under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

**ADA TOWNSHIP GENERAL WARRANTS**

Treasurer Moran presented the following Hand Checks: #101 \$70,644.01; #205 \$69,734.80; #208 \$12,413.62; #211 \$90,181.26; #213 \$13,995.74; #214 \$8,749.76; #401 \$84,292.64; #590 \$5,622.82; #591 \$1,721.83; #592 \$794.91. Total all Hand Checks: \$358,151.39. Warrants: #101 \$35,860.23; #205 \$62,259.69; #211 \$2,230.25; #214 \$2,955.04; #248 \$1,210.00; #401 \$6,633.33; #590 \$109,609.48; #591 \$144,196.00; #592 \$1,893.88. Total all Warrants: \$366,847.90. Total All Check and Warrants: \$724,999.29. **Moved by Jacobs, supported by Proos, to approve the Warrant Report for January 14, 2019, in the total amount of \$724,999.29. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Proos, Smith, Moran, Haga; No - 0; Absent - Hurwitz. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**BOARD COMMENT**

Treasurer Moran congratulated Supervisor Haga regarding the Grand Rapids Business Journal award. Clerk Smith also congratulated Supervisor Haga. She also stated that MLive is ceasing publication of the Advance and Cadence. Publication will now need to be done through the Grand Rapids Press and will be more expensive.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no Unfinished Business.

## NEW BUSINESS

### LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER FUNDING

Planning Director Ferro explained that the Board held a special meeting on December 17 regarding the location of the library/community building. There was a request from the board at that time to identify additional cost and funding amounts. There is \$960,000 pledged by a donor. There was discussion about using money formerly earmarked for parking and of contingencies, and building options. **Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to proceed with the budget including \$300,000 from the township, reassigning \$540,000 from money designated for parking, and pursuing building plans for the north side of Headley.** There were comments about continuing to pursue additional funds, about making the building look a part of the community, and the deficit of \$1.5 million. **Motion carried.**

### FUNDING RQUEST FROM HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR MUSEUM MANAGER

Bernie Veldkamp, AHS President, stated they need someone to oversee the museum. **Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to approve an expenditure of \$25,000 per year as requested.** Proos requested a quarterly update. **Motion carried.**

### ROSELLE PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS

#### 1. NORTH TRAIL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Sandra Bliesener and Paul Warning, OCBA, presented the project. **Moved by Proos, supported by Moran, to proceed with both projects. Motion carried.**

#### 2. PICNIC AREA AND PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

**Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to assist with application for a grant of \$7,000. Motion carried.**

### RESOLUTION R-011419-1 – GRAND RAPIDS TRIATHLON ROAD CLOSURE REQUEST

Andy Vidro presented the request, with the road closure starting ½ hour earlier on June 8. **Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to adopt Resolution R-011419-1, which is a road closure request for the Grand Rapids Triathlon. Roll Call: Yes – Proos, Moran, Haga, Smith, Jacobs. Absent – Hurwitz. Resolution adopted.**

### BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS

**Moved by Jacobs, supported by Proos, to approve the appointments of Dan Carter and Jacob Heglund to the Compensation Commission and Judy Levick to the Parks, Recreation and Land Preservation Committee as requested. Motion carried.**

### RECOMMENDATION TO FILL TRUSTEE VACANCY

Interviews for applicants to fill the trustee vacancy were held on January 10. Those interviewed were Garry Davies, Norman Rhoades, and Colin McAleenan. **Moved by Jacobs, supported by Moran, to appoint Colin McAleenan to fill the trustee vacancy. Motion carried.**

## OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Betty Jo Crosby, stated she had requested several years ago and was renewing he request to hire a township manager. She said there is too much to do for a half-time person.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.