

**ADA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 23, 2015**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Haga at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Supervisor Haga, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Rhoades, Trustee LeBlanc, Trustee Proos, and Trustee Jacobs. Also present: Fire Chief Murray, Planning Director Ferro, and seven community members.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Haga added to the Agenda: under Communications, 8. Roselle Park Progress Report; under New Business, C. Township Fire Station 2 Improvement Change Order Request, and D. Trustee Vacancy Interview Selection.

Motion by LeBlanc, supported by Rhoades, to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion carried.

GENERAL TOWNSHIP BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

November 9, 2015 Regular Board Meeting

Receive and File Various Reports/Communications

1. Treasurer's Investment Report-10/31/15; 2. Ada Fire Department Activity Report-10/15; 3. Comcast Update-11/5/15; 4. Park Director Report-11/13/15; 5. Historical Society Minutes-10/8/15; 6. Ada DDA Minutes-10/12/15; 7. Hope Network Transportation Report-10/15; 8. Roselle Park Progress Report.

Motion by Jacobs, supported by LeBlanc, to approve the Minutes and Accept the Reports and Communications under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

ADA TOWNSHIP GENERAL WARRANTS

Treasurer Rhoades reported the general township warrants, with receipts in the following amounts: Hand Checks: #101 \$8,133.89; #205 \$517.76; #208 \$131,957.46; #248 \$100.00; #590 \$92.31; #591 \$304.00; #592 \$20.51. Total all Hand Checks: \$141,125.93. Warrants: #101 \$44,711.62; #205 \$1,575.92; #208 \$5,118.60; #213 \$1,483.00; #248 \$1,710.00; #590 \$7,073.29; #591 \$28,631.09; #592 \$3,724.48. Total Warrants: \$94,028.00. Total All Checks and Warrants: \$235,153.93. **Moved by LeBlanc, supported by Jacobs, to approve the Warrant Report of November 23, 2015 in the total amount of \$235,153.93. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, LeBlanc, Proos, Rhoades, Smith, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BOARD COMMENT

Trustee Jacobs complimented everyone for a great job on the "Bonfire, Brats & Beer" despite the weather; there was a great turnout.

Clerk Smith stated the MTA Conference is coming up in January, and the early bird deadline for registration is December 8th. Anyone interested in going should let her know.

Trustee LeBlanc stated previously there was talk about a joint meeting with the Planning Commission. Now that they are looking at updating the Master Plan incorporating the Envision Ada Plan, he thought it might be a good time to look at some dates and schedule a joint meeting. Trustee LeBlanc asked, in light of the large number of people in the community volunteering their time on various boards, commissions, parades, etc., if we have we ever done a volunteer thank you, open house, or party. He stated he would like to suggest doing something like that to say thank you, as we are very fortunate to have an involved community.

Trustee Proos stated he would like to thank Jim Ferro with his planning, sending out the minutes, and pictures of the Envision Ada Plan as it has been very helpful. He also stated that we did have one joint meeting with the Board, the Planning Commission, and the DDA, and that needs to be repeated.

Treasurer Rhoades stated the Park Director does have a volunteer appreciation lunch for the people that volunteer at the parks.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-112315-1, GRAND RAPIDS TRIATHLON

Andy Vidro, President Tri4Health, stated this will be the sixth year, and it will be another national championship, similar to last year's. The request is for Buttrick Avenue to be closed from Thornapple River Drive to Grand River Avenue from 6:00 p.m. on June 11, 2016 to 6:00 p.m. to June 12, 2016; Thornapple River Drive closed from Ada Drive to the Township border south from 4:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Thornapple River Drive/Fase Street south to Thornapple River/Buttrick Avenue. **Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to adopt Resolution R-112315-1, Grand Rapids Triathlon to be held June 11 and 12, 2016, with the various road closures. Roll Call: Yes – LeBlanc, Proos, Jacobs, Smith, Rhoades, Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.**

HOPE NETWORK TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT

Supervisor Haga stated there are no changes in the contract from last year for the door-to-door transit services. **Moved by Proos, supported by Rhoades, to approve the contract between Ada Township and Hope Network for the door-to-door transit services. Roll Call: Yes – Proos, LeBlanc, Jacobs, Rhoades, Smith, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.**

CHANGE ORDER REQUEST FOR FIRE STATION 2

Supervisor Haga stated that Chief David Murray asked for consideration of: 1. a change of color change and treatment for the board and batten that would amount to an increase of \$8,643.00; 2. if no improvements were made to the back of the station, and adding only colored siding to the tower would be \$3,977.00; or 3. if the siding color was changed, and adding board and batten in the front and the two side, doing nothing to the back and tower there would be a credit of \$1,111.00. **Moved by Smith, supported by Rhoades, to approve the Change Order for Fire Station 2 to go with option 1, the color change and treatment for the board and batten, in the amount of \$8,643.00. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, LeBlanc, Proos, Rhoades, Smith, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.**

TRUSTEE VACANCY INTERVIEW SELECTION

Supervisor Haga stated four applications for the Trustee position were received from: Daniel Horowitz, George Childers, Angela Butterfield, and Joe Cairo.

Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to interview the four candidates on November 30th that have applied for the trustee position: Daniel Hurwitz, George Childers, Angela Butterfield, and Joe Cairo. Motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Sheriff Deputy Ryan Roe stated the Tinsel, Treats & Trolley, and the Santa Parade are coming soon, and there will be no charge to the Township. Many phone calls were received after the news release about the home invasions, and there have been no additional home invasions. He also stated he was invited to speak at the USDA and presented an office safety presentation, and his goal is to do more presentations.

Trustee Proos asked if there were any families in our community that could use support for Thanksgiving or Christmas.

Roe stated they are currently meeting families for the Shop with a Sheriff program, so if there are any families that they cannot take, or didn't hear about, he will share that information.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Smith
Ada Township Clerk

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