

**August 9, 2023 – REGULAR MEETING  
ROSE TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**DATE:** Wednesday, August 9, 2023  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 9080 Mason St, Holly, MI 48442

**PRESENT:** Paul Gambka, Treasurer                      Patricia Walls, Trustee  
                  Agnes Miesch, Trustee                      Dianne Scheib-Snyder, Supervisor  
                  Debbie Miller, Clerk

**OTHER (S) PRESENT:** Kim Viener, Director, Western Oakland Transportation Authority (WOTA)  
                                  Amy Grzymkowski, HR/Marketing Manager, WOTA  
                                  Renee Kraft, Recording Secretary

**OTHERS:** Brad Stilwell, Dan Johnson, Willard Love, Matt Weil, Paul Englehart, Linda Watson-Call, Scott and Autumn Woodcox, Marilee Carstens

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Scheib-Snyder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**1. Approval of Agenda:**

Motion by Treasurer Gambka to approve the agenda with the addition of New Business Item C-Old Town Hall Report. Second by Trustee Walls.

**VOTE: YES:** Miller, Walls, Gambka, Miesch, Scheib-Snyder  
**NO:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

Motion by Clerk Miller to approve New Business Item C-Old Town Hall Report to add to the agenda. No second.

**2. Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snyder to approve the business part of the minutes only. I find the public comment portion to be very bias and has been for some time now. Several comments about me are not factual. I will not approve statements made in public comments going forward. And also, Pat Walls was not absent, she was excused. Second by Trustee Walls.

**VOTE: YES:** Walls, Gambka, Miesch, Scheib-Snyder  
**NO:** Miller  
**ABSENT:** None

**3. Presentation:**

None

**4. Brief Public Comments – Agenda items only: (limit comments to 3 minutes)**

**Will Love:** Addressed the board regarding the contracts for OLSHA and HAYA.

**5. Public Hearing:**

None

**6. Unfinished Business:** None

**7. New Business:**

**A. Western Oakland Transportation Authority (WOTA):**

Amy Grzymkowski – Provides transportation for seniors, disabled adults, veterans, and low-income families. Oakland County approved the millage, and they are hoping to bring WOTA to Rose Township. There was anticipation of about 90 rides a day but ended up with 120 to start with. Through the pandemic they continued to serve the community. In 2023 they added twelve new vehicles to their fleet. They will help Holly take over the transportation and help citizens of Rose Township. Transportation is approximately a 20-mile radius around Holly and costs \$2. They employ local drivers who know the area.

Kim Viener – There was no guidance because the people out here didn't have service. They have been running this service and it has grown by about 33% from what they were doing last year. They bring a sense of community. They do well-fair checks on regular riders. Asked Rose Township board sign over their municipal credits of \$3,078 (that can only be used for transportation), since Holly will no longer have rides. September 5 you will see the WOTA busses. Village of Holly signed the agreement and they expect Holly Township to sign it at their next meeting. They are open weekdays with intentions of opening Saturday and Sunday next year. You must be registered to ride. They will try their best to organize the rides. [www.ridewota.org](http://www.ridewota.org).

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to adopt the Rose Township Resolution to accept transportation services from WOTA. Second by Trustee Walls.

**ROSE TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FROM THE WESTERN OAKLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-15**

At a regular meeting of the Rose Township Board of the Trustees, Oakland County, Michigan (the "Township"), held in Rose Township, 9080 Mason Street, on the 9th of August, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Gambka, Miesch, Miller, Walls, Scheib-Snider

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Scheib-Snider and seconded by Walls.

**WHEREAS**, the Township is currently receiving transportation services that are provided by the Village of Holly through Holly Area Transportation;

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Holly is ceasing providing transportation services and is utilizing the Western Oakland Transportation Authority ("WOTA") to provide transportation services;

**WHEREAS**, the Township desires to accept transportation services from WOTA;

**WHEREAS**, the Township will transfer the Municipal Credits it receives from SMART pursuant to the Municipal and Community Credits Master Agreement to WOTA for Fiscal Year 2024 in partial consideration of WOTA providing the transportation services; and

**WHEREAS**, WOTA has agreed to provide the transportation services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Board of Trustees of the Township hereby resolves to accept transportation services from WOTA.
2. The Board of Trustees of the Township hereby further resolves to authorize the transfer of its Municipal Credits for Fiscal Year 2024 to WOTA.
3. The Board of Trustees of the Township further resolves to authorize the Township Supervisor to execute any document or agreement necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.
4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are rescinded.

A vote on the foregoing resolution was taken and was as follows:

**VOTE: YES:** Gambka, Miesch, Miller, Walls, Scheib-Snider  
**NO:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

**B. Health Benefit Renewal Blue Cross Blue Shield, 1.09% increase:**

Two people use insurance and the rest take the stipend.

Motion by Treasurer Gambka to pass the Blue Cross insurance for the coming year. Second by Trustee Meisch.

**VOTE: YES:** Miesch, Miller, Walls, Gambka, Scheib-Snider  
**NO:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

**C. ~~NoHaz~~ Old Town Hall Report:**

NoHaz report to have the Old Town Hall inspected. Portions of the building has asbestos and lead. She is also having the offices tested. Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated it is not the health and safety of the residents, but the health and safety of the on-site workers. Cost is \$1,500 to have a licensed person remove the asbestos. Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated she used asbestos to make jewelry. She stated the inspector told her if it's your home it wouldn't matter, but since it is a commercial building, it does. Clerk Miller stated the tests should have been completed before the work started. Supervisor Scheib-Snider agreed. The contractor is hiring someone to address the issues. Will Love suggested the board get a quote for the disposal of the asbestos since it's not cheap, because the \$600,000 cost could easily change to \$1,800,000. Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated the \$1,500 should cover the cost of the asbestos removal. Supervisor Scheib-Snider discussed the improvements of the Old Town Hall.

## 8. Announcements:

- A. **Planning Commission Meeting:** September 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
- B. **Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting:** September 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
- C. **N.O.C.F.A. Board Meeting:** August 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Rose Township Offices.
- D. **Assessing Office:** M-F, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 248-858-2179, [doyler@oakgov.com](mailto:doyler@oakgov.com)
- E. **Township Board Regular Meeting:** September 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
- F. **NoHaz Event:** Saturday, September 16, 2023 from 8:00am – 2:00pm at Oakland County Service Center Campus, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd, Pontiac, MI 48241 at [www.nohaz.com](http://www.nohaz.com).

## 9. Miscellaneous Reports:

- A. **Clerk Report:** Clerk Miller stated we have training that starts in August. We will have a November election with possibly nine (9) days of early voting. She read her letter in regards to the board setting up the Clerk for failure by deliberate harassment and a personal vendetta by the Rose Township Supervisor and Board for purposely attempting to sabotage the election process. Miller also requested additional \$10K in June budget meeting for additional help but board did not approve additional funds for elections. She needs the funds now for elections.
- B. **Cemetery Committee:** Clerk Miller stated the signs are up and they are considering adding gold paint so the letters will be more visible.
- C. **N.O.C.F.A.:** Clerk Miller stated that they approved the budget amendments, \$10,000 for rescue, \$16,000 for a new roof for Station #3, meeting dates and updated the cost for the recovery fees. Supervisor Scheib-Snyder stated NOCFA was awarded the 2022 FEMA grant - \$270,000. She has requested the NOCFA officers to submit a quarterly structure fire report to Rose Township.
- D. **Planning Commission:** Trustee Meisch stated it was cancelled.
- E. **HAYA:** Trustee Walls stated there was something about school supplies in their email.
- F. **Treasurer Report:** Treasurer Gambka stated he disagrees with Clerk Miller that she doesn't have enough funds for elections. What was budgeted in past years is higher than what is spent.
- G. **Zoning Board of Appeals:** Treasurer Gambka stated it was cancelled.
- H. **Parks and Recreation:** Supervisor Scheib-Snyder stated they will be installing a kiosk at Rose Ponds and looking at mapping devices.
- I. **Heritage Committee:** Supervisor Scheib-Snyder stated had a great turnout at the heritage mapping event; at least 25 residents attended.
- J. **Supervisor Report:** Supervisor Scheib-Snyder stated we had issues with a loud noise coming from the property siren. She called Homeland Security to have them check it out and also sent a video to DTE. It turned out to be an alarm in the barn next to the siren. July 22 was the NoHaz event- sixteen cars from Rose Township attended. She attended 2023 strategic planning meeting with Road Commission-discussed foliage blocking signs, culverts, approaches, drainage issues and Holly Shores train issue. Fire Chief questioned if the signage at Fish Lake and Fenton Roads needs improvement.

**Attention: On August 9, 2023 during the Rose Township Board of Trustees meeting, Scheib-Snider, Gambka, Walls, and Miesch voted to no longer allow Clerk Miller to include public comments in the Board minutes from today forward.**

**Miller voted no.**

**10. Brief Public Comments: (limit comments to 3 minutes)**

**Dan Johnson:** Addressed the board regarding Xfinity cable internet.

**11. Adjournment: 8:47**

Approved/corrected

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie Miller". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Debbie Miller, MMC, MIPMC II  
Rose Township Clerk