

**July 10, 2024 – REGULAR MEETING
ROSE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

DATE: Wednesday, July 10, 2024
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 9080 Mason St, Holly, MI 48442

PRESENT: Paul Gambka, Treasurer Patricia Walls, Trustee
 Dianne Scheib-Snider, Supervisor Debbie Miller, Clerk

ABSENT: Agnes Miesch, Trustee

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to excuse Trustee Miesch from tonight’s meeting. Second by Treasurer Gambka. Motion carried.

OTHERS PRESENT: Angie Guillen, Recording Secretary

OTHERS: Paul Englehart, Paul Hobbs, Diana Hobbs, Jeff Chambers, Barb Chambers, Eric Visser, Debra Bourdeau, Sharon Reisenauer, Julius Stern, Will Love, Mike Maher, Debbie Maher.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Scheib-Snider called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Treasurer Gambka to approve the agenda as presented with amendments. Second by Trustee Walls.

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

Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated she wanted to add the Library Service Contract under New Business item D. She stated she sent the contract to the Township Attorney but did not discuss it. This is similar to the things that we’ve signed in the past. She also indicated under announcements for the N.O.C.F.A. Board meeting, the date was incorrect and should be July 23, 2024.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to approve the consent agenda as presented with amendments. Second by Treasurer Gambka.

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

Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated there were extra words in the minutes that needed to be corrected on page 4 after the Motion and Second of the words “Treasurer Gambka”. She indicated there was no roll call on the approval to accept revenues as the resolution backs all this.

Brief Public Comments on items appearing on the agenda under unfinished business & new agenda items only: (limit comments to 3 minutes)

Eric Visser addressed the Board regarding the procedures for the public hearing and to make sure in the future it gets completed timely. He stated from his vantage point, it is the Boards responsibility to make sure the notice goes out. Also, we would like to respectfully ask when it does come to a vote that Supervisor Scheib-Snider would politely recuse herself from voting given the potential interest.

Will Love addressed the Board regarding the terms of the assessment for the required public hearings.

Julius Stern addressed the Board regarding in the past there were no questions being answered but now that it is election season the Supervisor is providing explanations.

Dan Johnson addressed the Board regarding the SAD.

3. Public Hearing:

Supervisor Scheib-Snider explained the required publications were not completed so there will not be a public hearing.

4. Unfinished Business:

- A.** Amended Fish Lake Aquatic Weed Control Special Assessment District Resolution to Approve a Public Hearing Date to Hear Objections to the Project and Petition. Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated we need to amend this Resolution to state that during the August 14, 2024, meeting at 7 p.m. or soon after to hold a Public Hearing for the Special Assessment for Fish Lake Aquatic Weed Control.

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to amend this Resolution to state that during the August 14, 2024, meeting at 7 p.m. or soon after to hold a Public Hearing for the Special Assessment for Fish Lake Aquatic Weed Control. Second by Trustee Walls.

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

- B.** Amended Big Trail, Frushour, Field Drive Special Assessment District Resolution to Approve a Public Hearing Date to Hear Objections to the Project and Petition. Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated we need to amend this Resolution to state that during the August 14, 2024, meeting at 7 p.m. or soon after to hold a Public Hearing for the Special Assessment for Big Trail, Frushour and Field Drive.

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to amend this Resolution to state that during the August 14, 2024, meeting at 7 p.m. or soon after to hold a Public Hearing for the Special Assessment for Big Trail, Frushour and Field Drive. Second by Trustee Walls.

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

5. New Business:

A. Township Board Recording Secretary Wage Discussion

Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated she would like to postpone the wage discussion until she can find documentation stating what the outcome was from a prior Board meeting. Second by Trustee Walls. Clerk Miller stated she provided the recording secretary payment history from July 2019 through the current date. We have always paid the recording secretary \$150.00 for the first hour and if the meeting is an additional hour or longer \$300.00. This has gone back 6 years. It takes 6-7 hours to complete minutes after they are taken. She addressed the Board and asked if they were satisfied with the minutes the recording secretary has provided in the past. All Clerks have their own recording secretary. She further shared that copies of the Deputy Clerks payroll checks, mileage checks and paystubs are being taken and copied from the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer and it is illegal as they provide the Deputy's Retirement pension funding and payments for her insurance. This has now created a liability for this Township.

B. Creation of Eveline Drive Special Assessment District Resolution

Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated there was no public hearing in July.

Motion by Trustee Walls to adopt 2024-XX to create a Special Assessment District for Eveline Drive with a hearing to be held on the 14th day of August 2024, commencing at 7 p.m. to hear objections to the assessment role. Second by Gambka. Discussion ensued.

VOTE: YES: Walls, Gambka, Miller, Scheib-Snider

NO: None

ABSENT: Miesch

C. Appointment to the Holly Area Youth Assistance Board of Directors Resolution

Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated we need an appointment to the Holly Area Youth Assistance Board of Directors.

Motion by Trustee Walls to adopt Rose Township Resolution 2024-XX appointment to the Holly Area Youth Assistance Board of Directors. We are appointing Martina Sykes to the HAYA Board. Second by Treasurer Gambka.

VOTE: YES: Gambka, Miller, Walls, Scheib-Snider

NO: None

ABSENT: Miesch

D. Library Services Contract

Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated she added D. Library Services to the agenda. We discussed this during our Budget Meeting in June. She asked for an agreement for \$2.00 per person which was shared with the Township Attorney.

Motion by Trustee Walls to approve the Library Service Contract with Holly Township Library effective July 1, 2024, for a term of three (3) years and extension by an agreement of both parties for additional periods. Second by Treasurer Gambka. Discussion ensued regarding the rate of \$2.00 for the term of years.

VOTE: YES: Miller, Walls, Gambka, Scheib-Snider

NO: None

ABSENT: Miesch

6. Announcements:

- A. **Planning Commission Meeting:** August 1, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.
- B. **Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting:** August 6, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.
- C. **N.O.C.F.A. Board Meeting:** July 23, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. N.O.C.F.A. Station #1
- D. **Assessing Office:** M-F, 9:00am - 5:00pm, Rob Doyle, 248-858-2179, doyler@oakgov.com
- E. **Township Board Regular Meeting:** August 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.
- F. **NoHaz,** Sat. July 20, 2024, at Kensington Church 4640 S. Lapeer Rd., Orion Township

7. Miscellaneous Reports:

- A. **Clerk Report:** Clerk Miller reported on the August 6, 2024, election and indicated when early voting starts and location. She provided an update on how many ballots were sent out and returned so far. She stated she distributed a copy of the updated employee policies and procedures manual to the Board. She indicated she received a communication from our Insurance Administrator regarding the price of insurance going up 19.5% effective November 1, 2024. She further discussed the cameras for the Township Hall that the Supervisor added herself too and if the person that hit the Township Ramp is being issued a citation. She asked for a status as the Township has a \$1,000.00 deductible.
- B. **Cemetery Committee:** Clerk Miller indicated there was nothing to report. She mentioned the upcoming court case regarding garbage that was put in the dumpster. She indicated the entire cemetery committee will be in attendance.
- C. **N.O.C.F.A.:** Clerk Miller stated they met last month and updated the N.O.C.F.A. Meeting dates, and the new schedule was placed on the Township website. N.O.C.F.A. has a new Fire Chief Weil and retired Chief Lintz is going to be the administrator effective July 1, 2024.

Supervisor Scheib-Snyder reported that they approved the asphalt repairs at Station 1 & 3 in the amount of \$16,400.00. The N.O.C.F.A. Meetings will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month going forward at 6:30 p.m. At the May N.O.C.F.A. Meeting the former Fire Chief Jeremy Lintz asked the Board to sell him the N.O.C.F.A. vehicle 2018 Dodge Durango RT Sport Utility with 75,000.00 miles on it with the trade in value of \$25,481.00 for \$10,000.00. She stated Chief Lintz asked for the \$10,170.00 he paid towards other new vehicles that he drove for work and personal use in the amount of \$90.00 a month from April 2005 through September 2014. Because the vehicles were also used for private use and all the repairs were paid for by N.O.C.F.A. and he wanted to be reimbursed. She compared it to us paying for 20% of our health benefits and she wouldn't expect to receive those back even though she doesn't have to do it. She asked for Board minutes pertaining to when the vehicle was purchased, and she did not receive them. A letter from the auditor stated it wasn't necessary to withhold the funds but necessary doesn't mean we have to give him the amount off for the car that he is purchasing. She should have received the meeting minutes as requested. Clerk Winchester made a motion to sell the vehicle for trade in value minus the \$90.00 a month the Chief paid for ten (10) years for other new vehicles. Kullis, Miller, Winchester and Stilwell voted to grant the Chiefs request at the June Meeting by selling the Chief the Dodge Durango for approximately \$10,000.00. It was a 4 to 1 vote, and she was the only one who opposed the discount of the vehicle at a discounted rate. It goes against previous decisions from the N.O.C.F.A. Board in other fiscal years. She met with Chief Weil and shared her vision for N.O.C.F.A. in the future. She expressed her gratitude for the Fire Personnel, and she thanked him for meeting with her. She showed him the Old Historic Hall and discussed her vision for the future regarding using it for an emergency facility if needed in the future.

- D. **Planning Commission:** Trustee Miesch was not in attendance to report on the meeting.

- E. HAYA:** Trustee Walls indicated the minutes were included in the packet. There was a euchre fund raiser held on June 23, 2024.
- F. Treasurer Report:** Treasurer Gambka indicated the taxes were sent out June 30, 2024, and we have received about \$200,000.00 in tax payments so far. He expects to have a smooth tax season.
- G. Zoning Board of Appeals:** Treasurer Gambka indicated the meeting was cancelled.
- H. Parks and Recreation:** Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated they purchased some picnic tables for the residents to enjoy. We planned a workday to assemble those here at the Old Historic Hall and the parks. She expressed her gratitude to the volunteers who make the community better.
- I. Heritage Committee:** Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated the Committee is looking forward to helping host the open house which there has not been a date set for yet since she just received a credit increase to order and purchase the chairs. She called Comcast to have internet access set up at the Old Historic Hall to install security cameras and have them set up.
- J. Supervisor Report:** Supervisor Scheib-Snider indicated she is busy closing out the invoices for Fiscal Year 2024 and still has not received the Attorneys June bill, but she did receive code enforcement. She noticed we did not give any funds to HAYA for FY 2024, so she approved giving them \$5,000.00 a piece for 2024 and 2025 and let them know they would be receiving those funds. She adopted the approved 2025 Budget into the BS & A program. She met with the Lieutenant from the Michigan State Police and shared her vision for an emergency command center if needed at the Historic Hall. Clerk Miller asked for clarification if there was an elevator installed at the Old Historic Hall and if the building would be ready to use for the August 6, 2024 Election.

8. Brief Public Comments – Comments only, limit comments to 3 minutes

Eric Visser addressed the Board regarding the public notice and if the Board would commit to sending it out and who would be sending it out.

Will Love addressed the Board regarding the notice and when it will be sent out.

Mike Maher addressed the Board regarding agenda item “New Business” and the recording secretary wage. For FY 2025 it seemed it was approved and now even though we discussed it, voted on it and approved it, we are going to discuss wages again. For the recording secretary that’s got to be frustrating. Last meeting it was approved, and it is a disappointing, curious thing to see there is wage discussion one meeting post Budget 2025 approval.

Julius Stern addressed the Board expressing gratitude to N.O.C.F.A. for working in the rain during the storm cleaning up down trees and protecting residents from down power lines.

Bill Jobses addressed the Board regarding the public confusion regarding questions and never receiving solutions. He further discussed clarification on the Budget deficits. He stated residents are furious about their taxes being raised.

Brad Stilwell addressed the Board regarding the budget of the Old Town Hall and if it’s under or over budget.

Will Love addressed the Board regarding only receiving one bid for the Old Historic Hall and Supervisor Scheib-Snidars comment on taxes and putting the blame on someone else and it being totally inappropriate. He further stated that the Board should get along in a professional way because it's part of their job.

Sharon Reisenhauer addressed the Board regarding the Township Website YouTube Channel and how to locate and access the meetings.

Andrew Gibbard addressed the Board regarding speed control on Hickory Ridge. Clerk Miller stated residents want local police protection in this Township. There was clarification on if there are assigned cars and a contract with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department for Rose Township. He stated not having local Police Protection and law enforcement is unacceptable.

Clerk Miller recognized resident Mr. Paul Engleharts 99th Birthday.

9. Adjournment: 8:34 p.m.

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

Debbie Miller, MMC, MiPMC II
Rose Township Clerk