

**February 9, 2022 – REGULAR MEETING
ROSE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

DATE: Wednesday, February 9, 2022
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 9080 Mason St, Holly, MI 48442

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

OTHER (S) PRESENT: Township Attorney John Mulvihill, Renee Kraft, Recording Secretary,

OTHERS: Katie Jaffke, Taylor Whyte, Roberta Pechota, Nicole and Jeff Mack, Sarah Minter, Rhonda Gelstein, Bonita Cortina, Melinda Davis, Sheila Tabaczek, Carly Tabaczek, Jason Tabaczek, Theresa Evans, Angela Gammage, Teddi Kollenberg, Mark Gelstein, Anne Buehler, Joe Durocher, Debra Osher, Paul Englehart, Scott Blaska, Mark Bolan, Nicole Bignotti, Shelby Oberdorf, Leanne Johnson, Tom Wirth, Tara Robertson-Smith, Kim Carey, Alex Feringa, Todd Carey, Emily Tippen, Gisela Lendle-King, Marilee Carstens, Christopher Kettle, Darla Manning, Lori Babin, Julius Stern

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Trustee Walls to approve the agenda. Seconded by Treasurer Gambka.

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

Motion by Trustee Noble to approve the agenda with the following items added-New Business Item C-Taxing Authority; New Business Item D-Letters of Communication: Taxing Authority and Letters received. Seconded by Clerk Miller.

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

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to approve the agenda as presented adding C-Taxing Authority. Seconded by Trustee Noble.

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

2. Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion by Clerk Miller to approve the Consent Agenda minus the HAYA Report and adding the closed-session minutes from the 12th of January. Seconded by Trustee Noble.

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

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to approve the Consent Agenda as presented minus the HAYA Report. Seconded by Trustee Walls.

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

3. Presentation:

None

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

Melinda Davis: Licensed Attorney speaking in opposition to the Devoted Barn.

Adrienne: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of the Devoted Barn.

Anne Buehler: Comments in support of following the law.

Angela Gammage: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of Devoted Barn.

Emily Tippen: Neighbor to Devoted Barn. Comment regarding a previous Devoted Barn comment.

Kim Carey: Sold the Property on a Land Contract to the Devoted Barn. Comments against Devoted Barn.

Tara: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of Devoted Barn.

Roberta Pechota: Commissioner of Village of Holly ZBA. Comments in support of following the ordinances.

Mark Gelstein: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of the Devoted Barn.

Gisela Lendle-King: Questioned if anyone on the Board has been to the Devoted Barn?

Lori Babin: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of Devoted Barn.

Katie Jaffke: Former volunteer. Comments in opposition of Devoted Barn.

Nicole: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of Devoted Barn.

Rhonda Gelstein: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of the Devoted Barn.

Sarah Minter: Border at Devoted Barn. Comments in support of Devoted Barn.

Julius Stern: Comments on Closed Door Sessions and attorney fees.

Heather: Volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of Devoted Barn.

Joe Durocher: Comments in support of Devoted Barn. Questioned how long this will continue.

Debbie Osher: Licensed Attorney speaking in support of Devoted Barn. Volunteer at the Devoted Barn.

Kate Costello and daughter Ashley: Both volunteer at the Devoted Barn. Comments in support of Devoted Barn.

5. Public Hearing:

None

6. Unfinished Business:

A. Rose Townhouse Discussion-H2A Architects-postponed until a later date

None

B. Rose Township Fire Millage Renewal:

Board Members reexamine the Fire Millage that was voted on at the January 12, 2022 meeting.

Motion by Walls to consider amending the motion from 1/12/22 regarding the millage for the fire department. Second by Noble. All in favor say Aye. All said Aye.

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

NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion by Walls to propose the fire millage to be 3.5 mills for 6 years for Fire and EMS to go on the August ballot which includes 2022-2027 and develop language for fire authority. Second by Noble.

VOTE: YES: Walls, Noble, Scheib-Snider

NO: Gambka, Miller

ABSENT: None

7. New Business:

A. Closed Session Policy Discussion:

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to keep doing our closed sessions. During closed session the policy would be to not receive the attorney's written opinion until the Board goes into closed session. Seconded by Walls.

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

NO: Miller

ABSENT: None

B. Closed Session with counsel to discuss trial or settlement strategy regarding specific pending litigation pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) regarding the Township of Rose v. Melissa Borden and Devoted Friends Animal Society, Inc., Case No#19-17042-CZ and COA #356599, since an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the settlement or litigation position of the Township:

Motion by Trustee Walls to go into closed session at 8:26pm. Seconded by Treasurer Gambka.

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

NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to go back into open session at 8:59pm. Seconded by Trustee Walls.

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

NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion by Trustee Walls to move that the Township counsel be granted authority to convey to Devoted's attorney the Board's response to settlement offer discussed in closed session. Seconded by Treasurer Gambka.

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

NO: Miller

ABSENT: None

C. NOCFA as a Taxing Authority:

Clerk Miller read her taxing authority proposal.

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snider to take no action. Seconded by Trustee Walls.

VOTE: YES: Gambka, Walls, Scheib-Snider

NO: Miller, Noble

ABSENT: None

8. Announcements:

A. Planning Commission Meeting: March 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. (tentative)

B. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting: March 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. (tentative)

C. N.O.C.F.A. Board Meeting: February 15, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. Rose Township Offices.

D. Assessing Office: M-F, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 248-858-2179, doyler@oakgov.com

E. Township Board Regular Meeting: March 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

9. Miscellaneous Reports:

A. N.O.C.F.A.: Treasurer Gambka stated that due to a citizen attacking the Board Meeting it ended early. Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated there were two closed sessions with no action taken on both. Next month NOCFA discussion will include: engine repair, budget amendments, attorney interviews, Chief review, union negotiations and attorneys.

B. Planning Commission: Trustee Noble stated that the Oak Wilt Ordinance will be submitted to the Board next month.

C. HAYA: none.

D. Cemetery Committee: Clerk Miller stated we have an election May 3, 2022 for Holly School District. Holly Schools area Clerks tried to convince them to change to August, but they voted for May 3 special election. Clean-up Day is finalized for May 14.

E. Zoning Board of Appeals: Treasurer Gambka stated there was no meeting.

F. Parks and Recreation: Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated she applied for two grants, CISMA and Oakland County Parks. One is for removal of autumn olive and the other is for planting native plants in Dearborn Park.

G. Heritage Committee: Supervisor Scheib-Snider stated they discussed events for 2022: Historic walk, camp Ohiyesa on Hickory Ridge, and meet your neighbor event.

H. Supervisor Report: Supervisor Scheib-Snyder stated they had a meet and greet with library. Five people received and renewed their library cards. Ordered KN95 masks from State of Michigan to be distributed at the office. Building Department, Code Enforcement, is moving to the Rose Township Office.

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

Chris Kettle, NOCFA Firefighter: Corrected comment made about EMS/Fire Department. Not happy with bickering in Fire Board and Township Board.

Scott Blaska, NOCFA Firefighter: Calling NOCFA an EMS authority is disheartening and not correct. Most NOCFA firefighters live in Rose and Holly Townships, which is unheard of. Doesn't want to see NOCFA go away because of politics. Firefighters will start to leave soon.

Tim Seal, NOCFA Firefighter: Have four EMS trucks with 3 of them close to breaking down. Inflation has caused all prices to go up. They need the tools to do their jobs.

Julius Stern: Discussion on Old Town Hall. Wants improvements to be a township vote.

11. Adjournment: 9:36pm

Approved/Corrected



Debbie Miller, MMC, MiPMC II
Rose Township Clerk