

<b>ROSCOMMON TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES</b>	
<b>8555 Knapp Road, Houghton Lake, MI 48629</b>	<b>3222</b>
<b>May 7, 2019</b>	
Supervisor Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and Trustee DuPuis lead the Pledge of Allegiance.	Call to Order
Board Present: Randall-Supervisor, Milburn-Clerk, Hose-Treasurer, DuPuis-Trustee, and Christian-Trustee.	Roll Call
	<b>AGENDA</b>
Supervisor asked to add recognition of firefighters who completed certification. Motion by Milburn, second by DuPuis to amend the Agenda to include the Firefighter Recognition under New Business 1b. All yes, Motion carried.	Agenda Amendment
	<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
Motion by Hose, second by DuPuis, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda with the additional bills. All yes, Motion carried.	Approved
	<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>
None	
	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>
Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce request for July 6 fireworks approval. Motion by Hose, second by Christian, to adopt Resolution #2019-5-7 to authorize Supervisor to review and sign the 2019 Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce fireworks permit for Saturday, July 6, 2019. All yes, Motion carried.	Resolution 2019-5-7 HL Chamber Fireworks
Correspondence from the Roscommon County Treasurer with foreclosed properties was reviewed. Motion by DuPuis, second by Christian, to adopt Resolution #2019-5-7a, WHEREAS, Roscommon Township acknowledges the impact that County Tax Foreclosed Properties have on the quality of life, economic stimulus and property values of parcels within Roscommon Township. WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act, (Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL 211.78m, et seq.) authorizes townships, after the first right of refusal of the State of Michigan, to purchase for a public purpose any property located within that city, village, or township set forth in the judgment and subject to sale under said section by payment to the foreclosing governmental unit of the minimum bid. WHEREAS, Roscommon Township wishes to take a proactive approach of eliminating blighted properties which in turn promotes public safety, enhances local economic development opportunities and improves the major gateway in to Houghton Lake. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Roscommon Township Board authorizes the purchase of the following 2019 Roscommon County Foreclosure property identified as follows: 011-450-221-0000 -104 Columbus. Legally described as: Lot 63, LAKEVIEW HEIGHTS, for a cost of \$2,209.63, plus the County's Interest and Fees Due of \$1,097.15 for a total of \$3,306.78 from line item: 101-333-958-00. All yes, Motion carried.	Resolution #2019-5-7a Roscommon Township Blight Elimination of County Tax Foreclosed Properties
Roscommon County Road Commission Annual Spring Township Meeting is May 13, 2019.	RCRC Spring Meeting
	<b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b>
Trustee DuPuis presented quotes for installation of LED lighting at the Township Hall. Motion by Christian, second by Hose, to contract with Top Notch Electric for an amount not to exceed \$4,025, to be paid out of line 101-265-976-00. All yes, Motion carried.	LED Township Hall Project

	NEW BUSINESS
Supervisor Randall advised the Board that Fire Chief Williams wanted to donate a fire truck that he had located that was once owned by Roscommon Township. Motion by Milburn, second by DuPuis to adopt Resolution 2019-5-7b, WHEREAS, Roscommon Township Fire Chief Joseph Williams acquired a 1945 Chevrolet Fire Truck that served Roscommon Township as Number 521; and WHEREAS, in an effort to return a piece of history to the Roscommon Township Fire Department and to the residents, to create a spark in the memory of those firefighters who operated and utilized this truck, and to ignite new camaraderie and interest for the current and future firefighters, Chief Williams would like to donate this vehicle back to its original home base. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Roscommon Township Board accepts the 1945 Chevrolet-Vehicle Identification Number 9MS4231315 as a donation from Joseph Williams. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Roscommon Township Board greatly appreciates Chief Williams' efforts and commitment to the Fire Department, to the Township, and to its residents. Although Roscommon Township originally purchased the truck in 1945 for \$4,283.25, its return is priceless. All yes, Motion carried.	Resolution 2019-5-7b Donation of 1945 fire truck by Fire Chief Williams
Supervisor recognized Firefighter R. Scott Gilmore and Firefighter Cody Doyle for their successful completion of Firefighter I, II/Hazmat Operations certification.	Firefighter recognition
Correspondence from Roscommon County Gypsy Moth Suppression Program was read.	Gypsy Moth
Flyer regarding Household Hazardous Waste Collection day was reviewed. First collection date is June 1, 2019 at the Roscommon County Road Commission Building.	Household Hazardous Waste Collection
There was discussion regarding the recent Compost/Recycle Center Resident Permit Policy. Supervisor asked the Board to consider reducing the extra permit fee for residents. Consensus of Board to remain at \$75 for extra permits.	Compost Center Permits
Clerk requested 500 flags for veteran graves at the cemetery. Motion by Hose, second by Christian to authorize the purchase of new flags for veterans at the cemetery for a cost not to exceed \$500 from line 101-276-797-00. All yes, Motion carried.	Veteran Flags
Clerk presented a quote for an elevator inspection that MI is now enforcing. Motion by Hose, second by Milburn, to authorize Clerk to sign a Cat 1 Hydro Test agreement with Otis Elevator for a cost not to exceed \$631.09 from line 101-265-954-00. All yes, Motion carried.	Hall Elevator Hydro Test
Tenth annual Movie in the Park licensing and contract were reviewed. With the assistance of the Goodwin family, Ralph Breaks the Internet was chosen as the movie. Motion by Hose, second by Christian to authorize Clerk to contract with Great Lakes Outdoor Movies and license fee for a cost not to exceed \$2,230.00 from line 101-698-959-00 and sign agreement with service organization to provide concessions. All yes, Motion carried.	Movie in the Park
Property Owner assessing field inspection letter, schedule and field assistants was reviewed. Supervisor requested Assessor Assistance be approved to go to MCAT course Motion by Milburn, second by Hose, to authorize Assessor Assistant Mattie DuFrense to attend the MCAT course in Okemos, Michigan, September 18, 2019 through September 20, 2019, to include mileage and accommodations from lines 101-209-910-00 and 101-209-860-00. All yes, Motion carried.	Assessing Field Inspections and MCAT Course
Land Division Ordinance was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Hose, second by DuPuis, to authorize Fahey, Schultz, Burzych & Rhodes Law Firm to update the Roscommon Township Land Division Ordinance and application for a cost up to \$500.00 plus publication from line 101-101-807-00 and 101-101-851-00. All yes, Motion carried.	Land Division Ordinance

<p>MTA correspondence regarding input on its preference regarding an intended bill to make nonpartisan townships offices optional to townships was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Christian, second by Hose, to adopt Resolution 2019-5-7c, Be it resolved, that the Township Board record in support to legislation that would allow township boards the option to have its elected offices appear as nonpartisan on the ballot. The discussion for the officials positions are as follows: Trustee Christian expressed his support of nonpartisan offices. He stated that voters should take the time to educate themselves regarding the person running and not rely upon the party with which the person is affiliated. He further stated his hope that straight party voting be eliminated and voters use careful consideration of each office. Trustee DuPuis declined to comment. Treasurer Hose supported Trustee Christian's opinion. Clerk Milburn expressed her agreement with Trustee Christian in that voters should carefully consider their vote but reminded the board that straight party voting had been part of Proposal 3 on the last ballot and was passed by voters therefore it is voters Constitutional right to vote straight party. She further stated that having a party affiliation gives the voter an idea what guidelines an elected official may use when considering their vote on township issues. Supervisor Randall expressed her hesitation with a township board deciding whether its members should be partisan or nonpartisan. She further stated her hesitation regarding what could possibly be in the bill as far as would all offices be included or could offices be chosen individually. Roll call vote: Randall-no, Treasurer-yes, Clerk-no, Trustee DuPuis-abstain, Trustee Christian-yes. Tie vote, Motion failed.</p>	<p>Resolution 2019-5-7c MTA Request for Input on Nonpartisan Township Offices</p>
<p>Houghton Lake State Airport Manager Ambrose stated his intention to have a fundraiser at the airport 4th of July weekend. He said he would present information at the next Board meeting. Ambrose also asked for approval to attend Michigan Aviation Professionals Training Course in Mt. Pleasant. Motion by Christian, second by Hose, to authorize Airport Manager Chris Ambrose to attend Michigan Aviation Professionals Training Course on May 30 and May 31, in Mt. Pleasant, MI to include mileage from line 101-101-870-00. All yes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>HL Airport Fundraiser and Training Course</p>
<p>The Board viewed the MDNR Project Agreement and quotes for Lakeview Park. Motion by Hose, second by Milburn, to approve up to \$5,000 for Lake Park amenities as per MDNR Development Project Agreement from line 101-698-933-00. All yes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Lakeview Park Phase II Amenities</p>
<p>M55 Beautification Committee's proposal for flowers along M55 at Lakeview Park was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Milburn, second by Hose, to authorized up to \$300.00 for flowers in front of Lakeview Park for the M55 Beautification Committee to plant from line 101-698-777-00. All yes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>M-55 Beautification Committee-Lakeview Park</p>
<p>Quote for concrete at Heights Park new pavilion was presented. Motion by Milburn, second by Christian, to approve the concrete and preparation quote of \$1,700.00 and to authorize and additional \$3,000.00 to line 101-698-778-00 from contingency line 101-101-999-00. All yes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Heights Park Concrete</p>
<p>Supervisor made a sincere request to name the Heights Park after resident and former ZBA and Planning Commission member Kevin Sperry. Motion by Milburn, second by DuPuis, to officially name Heights Park the "Kevin Sperry Heights Memorial Park. All yes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Kevin Sperry Heights Memorial Park</p>
<p>Trustee DuPuis presented information regarding fence guard at the Dutcher Ballfields and Skinner Toddler Park. Motion by DuPuis, second by Christian, to authorize the purchase of fence guards for the ballfields and toddler park for a cost not to exceed \$1,400.00 from line 101-698-779-00. All yes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Skinner Park Fence Guard</p>
<b>ANNOUCEMENTS</b>	
<p>Clerk advised that she read in the paper that an August 6, 2019 special election would be taking place although she had not receive an official notice yet and that the Township would have to look at changing its August meeting.</p>	<p>August 6, 2019 Special Election</p>

