

ROSCOMMON TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES	
8555 Knapp Road, Houghton Lake, MI 48629	3281
April 2, 2024	
Supervisor Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Airport Manager Chris Ambrose lead the Pledge of Allegiance.	Call to Order
Board Present: Randall-Supervisor, Milburn-Clerk, Hose-Treasurer, Christian-Trustee, Schwach-Trustee. Absent: None	Roll Call
	AMENDMENT
Supervisor asked to add Invasive Species Management to the Agenda. Motion by Milburn, second by Schwach, to add to the April 2, 2024 Agenda under New Business #2d, Huron Pines Invasive Species Management Contract for Roscommon Township Compost/Recycle Center. All ayes, Motion carried.	Approved
	CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Schwach, second by Christian, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented with the March 5, 2024 Meeting Minute correction to strike the Motion to reappoint Kevin Nagel and additional bills. During discussion Clerk Milburn asked if the Board should rescind the Motion instead of striking the Motion and it was decided to strike. All ayes, Motion carried.	Approved
	PUBLIC COMMENT
None at this time.	None
	CORRESPONDENCE
Roscommon County Business & Economic Development Director updated Board on First Impressions Regional Tourism Assessment Forums that will be held in May 2024, with the first forum on May 1 at Markey Township Hall.	First Impressions Tourism Assessment
Houghton Lake Men's League request to use fields was considered by the Board. Motion by Milburn, second by Christian, to authorize the Houghton Lake Men's League use of Dutcher Softball Complex Fields 1 and 2 on Mondays and Wednesdays from May through August for the 2024 season. The annual tournament is allowed April 20 and 21, 2024, said approval is conditional upon proper insurance. There will not be a cost for use of the fields, instead we would appreciate with League's assistance in clean up after its events. Porta potties will be placed throughout the park for park use, if additional porta potties are required it will be the responsibility of the Leagues'. All ayes, Motion carried.	HL Men's League
	UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Zoning Board of Appeals reappointment was considered by the Board. Motion by Hose, second by Schwach, to reappoint Joseph Williams to the Roscommon Township ZBA for a term to begin April 7, 2024 through April 7, 2026. All ayes, Motion carried.	Williams ZBA Reappointment
Houghton Lake Advisory Board applicant was discussed by the Board. Motion by Christian, second by Schwach, to appoint Kurt Beachnau, owner of Lyman's on the Lake, to represent Roscommon Township on the Roscommon County Houghton Lake Advisory Board for a term to begin April 2, 2024 through April 2, 2026. All ayes, Motion carried.	County Houghton Lake Special Assessment District
	NEW BUSINESS
Roscommon Township Fire Department Millage Renewal proposal was presented. Motion by Milburn, second by Hose, to adopt Resolution #2024-4-2, Roscommon Township, Roscommon County, Michigan, Fire Department Operating Millage Renewal. WHEREAS, the Township Board of Roscommon wishes to submit the question of renewing for Fire Operating Millage to qualified electors of the Township for the purposes of general fire department operations; and WHEREAS, townships may provide fire protection services, as authorized by Act 33 of 1951, MCL 41.801, et seq. and other applicable statutes; and WHEREAS, townships may impose and levy ad valorem property taxes to finance lawful public services, as authorized by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and other laws; and WHEREAS, the previously authorized fire operating 1.00 millage in 2014 expired in December 2023 and the Township Board of Roscommon Township wishes to continue providing fire protection and prevention services in the Township and the previous approved millage is necessary to provide adequate funding for the services.	Resolution #2024-4-2 Fire Department Equipment Millage Renewal Proposal

<p>NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Board of Roscommon Township, Roscommon County, approves the following millage ballot question language and directs the Clerk to submit it to be placed on the August 6, 2024 election ballot: Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Roscommon Township of 1.00 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value), reduced to .9562 mills (\$0.9562 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks be renewed at up to 0.9562 mills (\$0.9562 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) and levied for ten (10) years, 2024 through 2033 inclusive, for the purpose of fire department operations, raising an estimated \$183,368.00 in the first year the millage is levied. All ayes, Resolution adopted.</p>	<p>Continued Resolution #2024-4-2 Fire Department Equipment Millage Renewal Proposal</p>
<p>Roscommon Township Compost/Recycle Center spring/summer/fall schedule was discussed. Consensus of the Board to open for compost and recycling on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, Wednesdays through Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until December 2024, weather permitting.</p>	<p>Compost/Recycle Center Spring/Summer/Fall Hours</p>
<p>Treasurer advised Compost/Recycle Center 2024 permits are available at the Township Hall and non-resident permit price increased to \$90.00 per permit.</p>	<p>Compost/Recycle Center 2024 Permits</p>
<p>Tree removal at Roscommon Township Compost/Recycle Center was discussed. Motion by Christian, second by Hose, to authorize Andre Tree Service to remove eight dead oak trees along the fence at the Roscommon Township Compost/Recycle Center for a cost not to exceed \$1,650.00, from budget line item 226-000-776-00. All ayes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Compost/Recycle Center Tree Removal</p>
<p>Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Roscommon County Road Commission was announced. Supervisor advised this is the only collection day for 2024.</p>	<p>Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day</p>
<p>Huron Pines, Huron Hartland Invasive Species Network survey result from the Compost/Recycle Center was discussed. Results found invasive species at the center and recommended removal/treatment of Tree of Heaven and Japanese Knotweed. Information was provided to share with residents on ways to avoid spreading invasive species. Motion by Milburn, second by Schwach, to authorize Supervisor to execute contract with Huron Pines for invasive species management at no cost to the township. All ayes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Invasive Species Management and Contract for treatment and removal</p>
<p>Roscommon County Road Commission Road 2025 Agreement were presented. Supervisor read roads that are covered in the agreement. Motion by Christian, second by Schwach, to adopt Resolution #2024-4-2a, to authorize Clerk and Supervisor to execute Agreement for Local Road Improvement with the Roscommon County Road Commission. All ayes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Resolution #2024-4-2a RCRC Road Agreement</p>
<p>Request from Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc. to use township property for equipment storing/staging was presented. Motion by Schwach, second by Hose, to authorize Supervisor to execute Property Use Agreement/Permit with Rieth-Riley to utilize parcel 011-214-001-1080 (corner of M-55 and Federal), as presented. All ayes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc. Permit</p>
<p>JC Design and Consulting LLC owner Jeremy Carrier presented information on Facilities Management contract to the Board.</p>	<p>Facilities Management</p>
<p>Utility-Scale renewable energy facilities and the preemption of local control was discussed. Motion by Christian, second by Schwach, to adopted Resolution #2024-4-2b, Opposition to Legislation to Preempt Local Control of Utility-Scale Renewable Energy Facilities as presented. All ayes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Resolution #2024-4-2b Renewable Energy Facilities Preemption of Local Control Opposition</p>
<p>Clerk presented information on Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks Member Education Day. Motion by Hose, second by Schwach, to authorize Clerk and Deputy Clerk to attend the MAMC Education Day, Tuesday, April 9, 2024, in Mt. Pleasant for a cost of \$50.00 each plus mileage. All ayes, Motion carried.</p>	<p>Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks Education Day</p>
<p>Clerk presented revised Employee Handbook. Board offered input and considered additional changes. Motion by Hose, second by Schwach, to approve the Employee Handbook updates effective April 2, 2024. All ayes, Motion carried. Board discussed updating job descriptions, evaluations and making employee supervisor more clear possibly by updating policies. It was consensus to bring the updated Employee Handbook back for further updates in two months.</p>	<p>Employee Handbook Updates</p>

Board reviewed Summer Tax Collection Agreement from Houghton Lake Community Schools. Board discussed invoicing instead of retaining \$2.50/parcel fee and interest language. Motion by Milburn, second by Hose, to authorize Treasurer to execute Summer Tax Collection Agreement with the Houghton Lake Community Schools for the 2024 tax year. All ayes, Motion carried.	HLCS Summer Tax Collection
	ANNOUCEMENTS
Trustee Schwach updated Board on Healthy Aging in Houghton Lake grant he and Supervisor Randall prepared to enhance community infrastructure, including bike paths/sidewalks.	Healthy Aging in Houghton Lake Grant
	PUBLIC COMMENT
Resident stated how nice the property where Diesel's Motel was located looks now.	6585 WHLD
Maintenance Lead thanked Board for work and research on grant.	Grant
	ADJOURN
Motion by Christian, second by Hose, to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. All ayes, Motion carried.	8:16 PM
Carie A. Milburn, Township Clerk Date:	
Diane F. Randall, Township Supervisor Date:	Minutes prepared by Deputy Clerk Stogiera
THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROSCOMMON TOWNSHIP BOARD	

