

**ROYALTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
Royalton Township Hall  
October 12, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Steve Tilly.

Present: Steve Tilly, Supervisor; William Foust, Clerk; Michael Klug, Treasurer; Robert Basselman, Trustee; Rocky Genovese, Trustee; James Soteriou, Township Manager

Motion by Klug to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2015 Board meeting as presented. Motion carries.

Klug presented the Treasurer's Report showing a fund balance of \$4,717,607.63. Motion by Foust to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carries.

Planning Commission Report presented by Foust.

Lincoln Township Public Library Report presented by Mary Hill.

Berrien County Sheriff report presented by Office Mazerik

Proposal to set Halloween Trick or Treat hours as 6 to 7:30 PM on Saturday, October 31, 2015. Motion by Basselman to approve Trick or Treat hours. Motion carries.

Township Manager Jim Soteriou announced his retirement effective December 31, 2015.

Following a discussion on the results of the Board's Interview Committee, Foust moved that the Township Manager's position be offered to Steve Tilly at a starting salary of \$65,000 annually plus benefits and that a performance and benefit review be addressed by the Board after 6 months of employment. Motion carries.

Steve Tilly accepted the employment offer and then submitted his resignation as Royalton Township Supervisor effective at the end of the Board's November 9, 2015 regular meeting. Motion by Foust to accept Tilly's resignation. Motion carries.

Foust then made a motion that the Board appoint Trustee Bob Basselman to serve out the remainder of Tilly's current term as Royalton Township Supervisor. Motion Carries.

Bob Basselman accepted the appointment as Royalton Township Supervisor and then submitted his resignation as a Royalton Township Trustee effective at the end of the Board's November 9, 2015 regular meeting. Motion by Foust to accept Basselman's resignation. Motion carries.

A deadline of Monday, November 2, 2015 at 5 PM was set for receiving applications to serve out the vacant term as Royalton Township Trustee. A selection committee consisting of Steve Tilly, Mick Klug and Jim Soteriou was formed to review the applications. The top candidates will be brought to the November 9, 2015 Board meeting for discussion.

Motion by Basselman to approve the September 2015 invoices in the amount of \$108,858.73.  
Motion carries.

Motion to adjourn at 7:27 PM by Genovese. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

William A. Foust, Clerk