

ROYALTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
Royalton Township Hall
January 9, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Robert Basselman.

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

Motion by Genovese to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2016 Board meeting as presented. Motion carries.

Klug presented the Treasurer's Report showing a fund balance of \$4,948,078.67. Motion by Foust to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carries.

Reports Submitted: Planning Commission Report presented by Foust.
Lincoln Township Public Library Report presented by Mary Hill.
Berrien County Sheriff's Report by Officer Mazurek.

Dr. Patricia Quattrin gave a presentation on the proposed Girls Academy project in Benton Harbor.

A request from the Southwest Michigan Regional Airport Authority to have the Royalton Township Board approve their By-Laws was discussed. Motion by Foust to approve the By-Laws as presented. Motion carries.

Tilly presented the Estimate of Cost from the Berrien County Road Commission for doing some repaving and drainage work in the Ponds. Motion by Klug to accept a bid from Michigan Paving to do the work. Motion carries.

Supervisor Basselman set a special board meeting for 9:00 AM on Thursday, January 12, 2017 to allow board members to interview the three firms who have submitted bids to prepare grant applications for the township's Park Plan.

John Olson presented cost estimates for sewer and water extensions to the corner of M-139 and Dickinson Road.

Following a short discussion, Klug moved to increase our school crossing guard's pay rate to \$9.25 per hour. Motion carries.

A recommendation from the Fire Board to increase fire fighters pay rate to \$16.00 per hour was received. Motion by Klug to accept the recommendation. Motion carries.

A discussion on letting bids for a new fire truck was discussed. Motion by Klug to authorize Tilly to request bids for a new fire truck. Motion carries.

Motion by Foust to pay the invoices for December 2016 in the amount of \$98,314.88. Motion carries

Motion by Klug to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

William A. Foust, Clerk