

**Royalton Township Board of Trustees
Regular Board
Meeting May 10, 2021**

The regular May 10, 2021 meeting of the Royalton Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Robert Basselman.

Members Present: Robert Basselman, Supervisor; Rachel Bernard, Clerk; Michael Eisenhart, Treasurer; Jason Ackerman, Trustee; Julie Marsh, Trustee

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Steve Tilly, Township Manager; Jessica Ishmael, Lincoln Township Library; Mary Nykamp, Wightman; Rolling Prairie and Pleasant Meadow subdivision residents and Mark Valenti

Motion by Eisenhart to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Marsh.

Ayes: Basselman, Bernard, Eisenhart, Ackerman and Marsh

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Ackerman to approve the April 12, 2021 board minutes as presented. Seconded by Eisenhart.

Ayes: Basselman, Bernard, Eisenhart, Ackerman and Marsh

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: (Motion carried 5-0)

Eisenhart presented the Treasurer's Report showing a fund balance of \$2,708,350.18 for April 2021.

Motion by Ackerman to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Bernard.

Ayes: Basselman, Bernard, Eisenhart, Ackerman and Marsh

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Eisenhart to approve the April 2021 bills totaling \$672,711.84. Seconded by Marsh. Bernard, Eisenhart, Ackerman and Marsh

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: (Motion carried 5-0)

Planning Commission Report: Did not meet

Library report presented by Jessica Ishmael

Sheriff's report for April submitted prior to the board meeting

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion by Ackerman to approve the Berrien County Sportsman's Club Outdoor Assembly Ordinance request for their Compton Traditional Bowhunters Rendezvous, June 17 – 20, 2021. Seconded by Bernard.

Ayes: Basselman, Bernard, Eisenhart, Ackerman and Marsh

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: (Motion carried 5-0)

Bids were received from both Abonmarche and Wightman for engineering services for the proposed Hollywood Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project. Mary Nykamp from Wightman discussed the proposal with the Board.

Recommendation by Basselman to work with Wightman and a motion was made by Eisenhart to hire Wightman for the design and permitting of the proposed project and to also have Wightman bill the Township for time and materials for looking into possible future extensions of sewer lines from Marquette Woods to Scottsdale. Seconded by Ackerman.

Ayes: Basselman, Bernard, Eisenhart, Ackerman and Marsh

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: (Motion carried 5-0)

Garbage Collection Service – no action was taken

Business from Audience:

Residents of the Rolling Prairie Subdivision spoke out against the future development of a parcel of land off of Marquette Woods adjacent to the subdivision. Other residents inquired about drainage and utility issues that may arise from the development. Supervisor Basselman suggested they attend the next Royalton Township Planning Commission meeting as this will be the appropriate venue where these issues are and will be addressed.

Items not on Agenda – None

Committee Reports:

Basselmann from the Fire Board gave an update on the 800 MH radios that are being purchased for the Fire Department. Tilly from the Southwest Michigan Regional Sanitary Sewer & Water Authority gave an update on the transmission mains and maintenance.

Motion to adjourn by Bernard at 8:16 PM. Seconded by Eisenhart.

Ayes: Basselman, Bernard, Eisenhart, Ackerman and Marsh

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain: (Motion carried 5-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Bernard, Clerk