

**Minutes – Board of Town Trustees  
June 16, 2016**

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
Crawford County  
Town of Robinson

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES met at the Robinson Township Office at 6:00 p.m. June 16, 2016. The following official business was transacted. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry McCoy. Clerk Vickie Gribben then called the roll.

PRESENT:	Larry McCoy	Township Supervisor
	Vickie Gribben	Township Clerk
	Dave Lachenmayr	Township Highway Commissioner
	Sue Roberts	Township Assessor
	Shirley Berry	Township Trustee
	Lori Hodge	Township Trustee
	Pat Richards	Township Trustee
	Greg Wolfe	Township Trustee

Persons from the public attending the meeting were as follows: Sandy Hyde, Sharon McCoy, Stan Mullins, Becky Taylor, Janie Thackrey, and Matthew Wilson.

Item 3, Pledge of Allegiance.

Under Item 4, Mr. McCoy asked if the trustees if they had received the minutes of the previous meeting. Pat Richards made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. McCoy asked if there were any questions or changes concerning the minutes of the May 19, 2016 regular Monthly Board Meeting. Lori Hodge asked about the motion giving Stan Mullins the right to hire employees for the cemetery. She thought he was also given the authority to fire. Mr. McCoy said the trustees were welcome to come and hear the minutes, and that the motion was made for Mr. Mullins to hire. Mr. Richards asked if the motion could be amended. Mr. McCoy responded that the motion made at the previous meeting could not be amended at this meeting because it was not on the agenda. Mr. McCoy then asked Mr. Richards if his motion to adopt the minutes as written still stood. Mr. Richards said yes. Mr. Greg Wolfe seconded the motion which carried with vote as follows: Lori Hodge-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes.

Under Item 5A, the Supervisor's report, Mr. McCoy dispensed with reading aloud the beginning and ending monthly account balances and the other papers regularly given to the trustees at the monthly township meetings. He informed the trustees that he and Mr. Wolfe had attended a seminar in Collinsville. The Director of TOIRMA was there and recommended that budgets be adopted before the next fiscal year begins instead of 3 months into the new fiscal year. Mr. McCoy said that next February the budgets would be presented. He mentioned that Glen Poshard gave a very inspirational speech. He encouraged the trustees to go to the seminars that TOI offers.

Under Item 5B, Highway Commissioner's report, Mr. Lachenmayr said the crew had been trying to catch up on mowing and are about two thirds done. Next job will be patching roads and hauling gravel. On the blacktop roads, the crew had to do what is called "blotting" which is where when the temperature gets into the mid 90's, it looks likes the road has been freshly oiled. The oil seepage has the benefit of

resealing the road, but the crew has to spread sand and chat on the road to keep the oil from getting on vehicles. Next month, the crew will be chipping and sealing, as the goal is to do six miles of road this year.

Under Item 5C, Assessor's report, Sue Roberts said that this week is the end of the cycle for everything that has happened in 2015. It is set by law that everything has to be turned in by June 15<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Roberts also has been in Effingham three days completing required education. She told the board that she would be giving a report on what she had turned in for last year i.e., new construction, demolitions, etc. at July's monthly board meeting.

Item 6A, New Business, Motion to pass policy on anti-nepotism. Mr. McCoy presented a policy that attorney Jeff Jurgens had written for townships in Illinois. Mr. Jurgens is an attorney that gives many seminars for TOI. Mr. McCoy read the policy to the board. The policy would go into effect upon adoption. After discussion, Mrs. Berry said she would like some more time to think about the policy. After further discussion, Mrs. Berry made the motion to table the policy for review next month. Pat Richards seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes.

Item 6B, Discussion of policies/procedures for Robinson New cemetery and outlying cemeteries. Mr. McCoy told the board that he was going to make some suggestions, the first being that Greg and Shirley, as they are the appointed cemetery committee, be directed to prepare a set of recommendations for managing and administering the Robinson New Cemetery, obviously with input from the entire board and from the public. One possibility to consider is to reestablish a cemetery board with definite guidelines, policies, and practices and specified meeting times to come before this board, and the cemetery board would have management of the cemeteries. Another possibility is to consider privatizing the mowing and management of the cemetery and contracting the grave openings and closings and investigate the possible savings to the township that would result.

Item 6C, Larry McCoy made the motion to pass the Prevailing Wage Ordinance for the Town. Greg Wolfe seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Greg Wolfe-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Larry McCoy-yes.

Item 6D, New Business, Greg Wolfe made the motion to pass the Prevailing Wage Ordinance for the Road District. Larry McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes.

Item 6E, Greg Wolfe made the motion to go into closed session for semi-annual review of closed/executive session minutes. Larry McCoy seconded the motion. The township board went into closed session at 6:29 p.m.

The Township Board came back into regular session at 6:50 p.m. Mr. McCoy made the motion to keep closed to the public the Executive Sessions for January 21, 2010, September 20, 2012, January 17, 2013, February 21, 2013, March 21, 2013, June 20, 2013, February 20, 2014 and August 21, 2014, and to open to the public the minutes of May 19, 2011, June 21, 2012 and October 18, 2012 and to approve the closed session minutes as written for June 18, 2015, and May 19, 2016. Lori Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-no; Lori Hodge-no.

Item 7A, Lori Hodge moved to approve payment of town, general assistance, and payroll bills. Larry McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Lori Hodge-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-no. When the roll was called, Mr. Richards said he wanted a notation that the trustees were not informed that the supervisor was going to consult an attorney other than Mr. Uppencamp, who is the attorney hired by the township.

Item 7B, Larry McCoy made a motion to pay the road district bills. Shirley Berry seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes.

Item 7C: Pat Richards made a motion, seconded by Shirley Berry, to pre-approve payment of Elected Officials for the time period of June 17, 2016 through July 21, 2016. Motion carried with vote as follows: Greg Wolfe-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Larry McCoy-yes.

Item 7D: Shirley Berry made a motion, seconded by Lori Hodge, to pay per diem expenses. Motion carried with vote as follows: Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes.

Item 8: Public Comments. There were questions from Matthew Wilson and Sharon McCoy concerning the discussion about the attorneys.

Item 9: Greg Wolfe made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Shirley Berry seconded. Motion carried with all in favor voting aye.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vickie Gribben  
Township Clerk

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Larry McCoy  
Township Supervisor