

Minutes – Board of Town Trustees
August 20, 2015

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Crawford County
Town of Robinson

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES met at the Robinson Township Office at 6:00 p.m. August 20, 2015.

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	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: Lacey Kerns, Stan Mullins, Becky Taylor, Janie Thackrey.

Item 3, Pledge of Allegiance.

Under Item 4, Mr. McCoy asked if the trustees had any questions or changes concerning the minutes of the July 16, 2015 regular Monthly Board Meeting. There being none, Shirley Berry made the motion, seconded by Lori Hodge, to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried with vote as follows: Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes.

Under Item 5A, the Supervisor's report, Mr. McCoy referred the trustees to the distribution list from the first installment of property taxes for 2014. He noted the beginning and ending monthly account balances from July 1, 2015 to July 31, 2015. He noted the interest rate has remained the same on the Certificates of Deposit at First Robinson Savings Bank. Mr. McCoy stated that \$480.00 has been received for assistance cases done for the other townships from April 1, 2015 to July 31, 2015. A total of \$5,512.74 has been disbursed for the fiscal year for General Assistance and \$1,116.10 for Emergency Assistance. Mr. McCoy noted the opportunity to nominate a trustee for the Award for Excellence in Public Service. He concluded by asking the officials if they were coming to the Crawford County Annual Association of Townships Dinner Meeting on Thursday, August 27, 2015.

Under Item 5B, Highway Commissioner's report, Mr. Lachenmayr said the Road Crew was very busy helping the County place a culvert measuring 32' X 50'. He said a one ton truck could drive through it. He then noted that they were helping the County with mowing because the County does not have a side arm mower. He concluded that work on the new building is progressing. He said the crew would have their hands full this winter finishing the inside of the building.

Under Item 5C, Assessor's report, Sue Roberts said she had completed her second maintenance class which was called Mass Appraisal of Income Producing Property. She said that a total of four classes are required during her four year term and she has completed two of them. She said something she did not realize that with the property taxes, all changes on assessment for the prior year have to be turned in to the Assessor's office by June 15th every year. Mr. McCoy asked if she had found more properties that had not been placed on the tax records. She said yes. One was Oxfords' property which was found that it was not on the tax records when it sold. The first building permit for a building on the property was issued 1998. Mrs. Roberts stated that County Assessor Hope Weber can go back, but the problem is not knowing when the property was actually built, only when the building permit was issued. Ms. Weber's assistants use satellite imagery to find new buildings.

Item 6A, Revision of Cemetery Rules and Regulations. The Cemetery Committee met Monday, August 17, 2015. The committee recommended a change to Rule #16 to now read "There shall be no additional charge where a mausoleum/ledger is used, however, Robinson Township shall not assume any duty to maintain or repair such mausoleum/ledger. Only granite ledgers are allowed in Sections 2 through 14, A, AA, 3A and F of Robinson New, Newlin, Kirk, and Robinson Old Cemeteries. No ledgers are allowed in Sections 15, 16, and 17 of Robinson New Cemetery." After discussion, Shirley Berry made the motion to accept the change to Rule #16. Greg Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes.

Item 7A, New Business, Building Grounds Improvements. Pat Richards said the sign on the parking lot needs to be replaced. Mr. McCoy said that he had contacted Jay Anderson about one. Mr. Richards said he had in mind to table any motion until next month. He continued that he would like the board members to determine what they would like and come to a decision next month. He personally would like a lighted sign on the building. Mr. Richards also addressed the concrete bumpers and the parking lot. Mr. McCoy said rubber guards would be the best. Mr. Richards agreed. As concerned the parking lot, Mr. Richards said that he personally used Best Seal and the company also did County Market. On the matter of handicapped parking, he thought that the number of required spaces should be determined and then placement of the spaces. Mr. Richards did not like the public parking in the lot, specifically, the lawyer across the street. Mr. McCoy responded that the lawyer parked in the Township parking lot at his invitation, as the street was much used and a car parked in the street leaves only one lane for two lanes of traffic. Ms. Hodge said she could not park in the lot by the Post Office and the Police Station. More discussion followed. Pat Richards made the motion to table a decision until the next meeting. Shirley Berry seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; and Larry McCoy-yes.

Item 8A, Approval of Town, General Assistance, and Payroll bills. Greg Wolfe moved to approve payment of Town, G.A., and Payroll bills. Lori Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes.

Item 8B, Pat Richards made a motion to pay the Road District bills. Greg Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards.

Item 8C: Pat Richards made a motion, seconded by Greg Wolfe, to pre-approve payment of Elected Officials for the time period of August 21, 2015 through September 17, 2015. Motion carried with vote as follows: Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes.

Item 9: Shirley Berry made a motion, seconded by Lori Hodge, to pay per diem. Motion carried with vote as follows: Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes.

Item 10: Public Comments. There were none

Item 11: Shirley Berry made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Larry McCoy seconded. Motion carried with all in favor voting aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:39 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Gribben
Township Clerk

Larry McCoy
Township Supervisor