

**Minutes – Board of Town Trustees
January 16, 2014**

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Crawford County
Town of Robinson

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES met at the Robinson Township Office at 6:00 p.m. January 16, 2014. 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
	David 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: Becky Taylor, Janie Thackrey, Lacey Whipkey, Gary Wilson and Matthew Wilson.

Item 3, Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 4, Public Comments, there were none.

Under Item 5, Mr. McCoy asked if the trustees had any questions or changes concerning the minutes of the December 19, 2013 regular Monthly Board Meeting. There being none, Lori Hodge made the motion, seconded by Greg Wolfe, to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried with vote as follows: Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes.

Under Item 6A, the Supervisor's report, Mr. McCoy wished everyone a Happy New Year. He then asked the trustees to verify the information on the required Statements of Economic Interest and to make any necessary corrections. He read the beginning and ending balances for the month of December 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 of the Total Town Money Market, the Town IMRF Money Market, the General Assistance Checking, the General Assistance Money Market, the Total Road District Checking, the Total Road and Bridge Money Market, and the Road and Bridge IMRF Money Market. Chairman McCoy stated that there was no change in the interest rates on the Robinson Township Investment List with First Robinson Savings Bank. He noted the page covering the General and/or Emergency Assistance cases handled through the intergovernmental agreements with the other participating townships and the amounts that Robinson Township had disbursed through General or Emergency Assistance. He asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Under Item 6B, the Highway Commissioner's report, Mr. Lachenmayr told the trustees that the State of Illinois had sent a check for \$5448.40 to help on the flood damage that occurred last summer. He also said that the road crew was busy keeping the main roads passable during the last major snow storm. He said they lost power at the barn, had fuel line problems and had two tractor tires split which is a big expense, but the crew got everything repaired. He ended by saying he was ready for spring.

Under Item 6C, Assessor's report. Mr. McCoy welcomed Sue Roberts back to the board in another area of expertise. Her term started January 1, 2014. He asked if she had anything to report. Mrs. Roberts mentioned that she had met with Hope Weber, the Supervisor of Assessments, and they have gone over a lot of things. Mrs. Roberts said she knows Mrs. Weber and Mrs. Weber's office staff from Mrs. Robert's former job in real estate and anticipates a good working relationship. She mentioned that Mrs. Weber told her that there will be a new requirement for the Township Assessor and that will be to take photos of the properties she will be assessing. She concluded by saying she may be buying a camera in the near future, and, hopefully getting into the swing of things. Mr. McCoy asked if anyone had any comments or questions and wished her the greatest success in her endeavor and ended by saying that he knew she would do a good job.

Item 7A, Continued Business, Discussion of Highway Department's Pole Barn Specifications. Mr. McCoy noted that the construction had been tabled and asked if Mr. Lachenmayr had come up with anything. Mr. Lachenmayr responded that he had been given until the February 2014 meeting to come up with a plan. Mr. McCoy moved to table Item 7 until the February meeting. Pat Richards seconded. Motion carried with vote as follows: Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes.

Item 8A, New Business, Approval of Assessor's Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. Mr. McCoy asked if Mrs. Roberts anticipated an employee. She said no and had decreased the amount budgeted this year for one and, hopefully, by the next year the budgeted amount for an employee will disappear completely. She ended by stating that she just did not want to rush into making that decision and find out that she might need an employee. Motion was made by Larry McCoy and seconded by Shirley Berry to approve the assessor's budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 as presented. Motion carried with vote as follows: Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes.

Item 9A, Pat Richards moved to approve payment of Town, G.A., and Payroll bills. Lori Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried with vote as follows: Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes.

Item 9B, Lori Hodge made a motion to pay the Road District bills. Larry McCoy 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 9C: Shirley Berry made a motion, seconded by Lori Hodge, to pre-approve payment of Elected Officials for the time period of January 17, 2014 through February 20, 2014. Motion carried with vote as follows: Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes.

Item 10: Shirley Berry made a motion, seconded by Larry McCoy, to pay per diem. Motion carried with vote as follows: Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes.

Before proceeding to Item 11, Pat Richards mentioned discussion of the addition of awnings and a new sign for the Township Office. Mr. McCoy said he would put the item on the February agenda.

Item 10: Adjourn Meeting: Motion was made by Greg Wolfe and seconded by Lori Hodge to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all in favor voting aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Gribben
Township Clerk

Larry McCoy
Township Supervisor