

**Minutes – Board of Town Trustees  
October 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. October 16, 2014.

The following official business was transacted. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry McCoy. Mr. McCoy made a motion to have Becky Taylor act as interim clerk for the meeting. Greg Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor voting aye.

Mr. McCoy then asked for the roll call.

PRESENT:	Larry McCoy	Township Supervisor
	David Lachenmayr	Township Highway Commissioner
	Sue Roberts	Township Assessor
	Shirley Berry	Township Trustee
	Lori Hodge	Township Trustee
	Pat Richards	Township Trustee
	Greg Wolfe	Township Trustee
ABSENT:	Vickie Gribben	Township Clerk (Came at 6:10p.m.)

The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

Persons from the public attending the meeting were as follows: Becky Taylor, Leon Taylor, Janie Thackrey, and Gary Wilson.

Item 4, Mr. McCoy asked for public comments. He mentioned that Oblong Township Supervisor Susie Tracy asked him to inform the officers that Oblong Township will be hosting the annual County Township Association Dinner to be held on Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 6:00p.m. Location is the Oblong Community Center on South Range Street and Lori Williamson of Taste of Home will be catering. Mr. McCoy asked the board to let him know in the next week if they and their spouse and/or a guest would be attending in order to give Mrs. Tracy a head count.

Item 5, Approval of minutes of previous meeting. He asked if the trustees had any questions or changes concerning the minutes of the September 18, 2014 regular monthly board meeting. There being none, Pat Richards made the motion, seconded by Shirley Berry, to approve the minutes for the meeting 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 read the beginning and ending balances for the Town, Road District, and General Assistance Money Market funds. He then discussed the two distributions received from property taxes to date noting that one more distribution will be coming. He noted the intergovernmental GA cases. He concluded by stating that the interest rate on the Certificates of Deposits at First Robinson Savings Bank has remained the same. He asked for questions. There being none, he asked for the Highway Commissioner's Report.

Highway Commissioner's Report, Item 6B. Mr. Lachenmayr said the crew has been trying to get the roads ready for winter, patching potholes, trimming trees and cutting down some dead ones. He would still like to get one more roadside mowing before winter, but the weather has been too wet. He concluded by stating before long the crew would be putting on the snow plows. Mrs. Roberts asked if he were having trouble getting salt for the roads. Mr. Lachenmayr said he spoke with Justin Childress on Monday who said he hasn't got salt actually promised to the street department yet and that it would be "iffy" if they could get it. Mr Lachenmayr concluded by saying he was stockpiling sand. That way, he said, there would be sand to spread on the roads.

Item 6C, Mrs. Roberts said she had nothing to report at this time.

Clerk Vickie Gribben came to the Township Meeting at 6:10p.m. and assumed the clerk's chair.

Item 7A, New Business, Adoption of Road District Resolution for Enterprise Zone for Timber Creek Village Exemption. Chairman McCoy introduced Mike Shimer, Zoning Administrator, who informed the trustees that he was at the Township meeting on April 21, 2011 when the Board of Trustees voted to abate the property taxes on Timber Creek Village for five years. He explained adoption into the Enterprise Zone allows the property to be taxed at the value it was before construction of the building for five years. He said the Zoning Office needs a separately signed document representing the Road and Bridge Department as the intent at that April 21, 2011 meeting was for both the Township and the Road and Bridge to have agreed. The trustees will sign the paper for the Road District to adopt Timber Creek into the Enterprise Zone today, October 16, 2014. The taxes resulting from this oversight will not be reimbursed; the tax abatement for the Road and Bridge will carry forward five years. Pat Richards made the motion for Road and Bridge to adopt the abatement. Greg Wolf seconded the motion which carried with vote as follows: Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-abstain; Shirley Berry-yes.

Item 7B, New Business, Tentative Tax Levies for Town & Road. Final action on the levies will be taken at the November 20, 2014 board meeting. A Truth in Taxation Hearing will be needed for the Road District Levy which will start at 5:45p.m. November 20, 2014. Mr. McCoy asked Mr. Lachenmayr to explain the Road and Bridge Levy. Mr. Lachenmayr said that it was necessary to ask for the maximum tax rate every year in order to receive County participation on bigger projects such as bridges and culverts. A tax increase over 5 per cent requires a hearing. Mr. McCoy said the Town is maintaining the budget that was asked for last year; therefore, no hearing will be needed for the Town. Lori Hodge made the motion to hold the hearing for the Road and Bridge Tax Levy. Shirley Berry seconded the motion which carried with vote as follows: Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes; Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes.

Item 8A, Other Business: Lori Hodge moved to approve payment of Town, G.A., and Payroll bills. Greg Wolfe 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 8B, Pat Richards 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 8C: Lori Hodge made a motion, seconded by Shirley Berry, to pre-approve payment of elected officials for the time period of October 17, 2014, through November 20, 2014. Motion carried with vote as follows: Shirley Berry-yes; Pat Richards-yes; Lori Hodge-yes; Greg Wolfe-yes; Larry McCoy-yes.

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

Item 10: Adjourn Meeting: Motion was made by Shirley Berry and seconded by Greg Wolfe to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all in favor voting aye. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vickie Gribben  
Township Clerk

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Larry McCoy  
Township Supervisor