

Robinson Township

Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting

November 11, 2019

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Robinson Township Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, November 11, 2019. Chairman Kendall called the first Hearing to order at 6:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was conducted.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Rodger Kendall, Vice Chair Mary Donaldson, Supervisor David Foley, Manager/Secretary Crystal Brown, Solicitor Alan Shuckrow and Township Engineer Keith Straight. Zoning Officer Mark Dorsey was absent.

Chairman Kendall made acknowledgment of Veteran's Day, and recognized veterans in attendance.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION The Chairman asked if anyone wished to speak on agenda items only. There were no speakers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve the minutes from the meeting and hearings held October 14, 2019. Motion was seconded by Foley. Solicitor Shuckrow made a recommendation to attach letter from Houston Harbaugh regarding Westport Project to Conditional Use Hearing minutes of October. Secretary will do so.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

BILLS AND PAYROLL Donaldson made a **motion** to authorize payment of the October bills and payroll. Seconded by Foley.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley - Yes

CORRESPONDENCE Donaldson made a **motion** to accept correspondence for October. Seconded by Foley.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

REPORTS

Reports on file:

- Fire Department**-Midway 17 calls, McDonald 3 calls.
- Police**-on file, 39 calls, read by Chief Dennis Ahlborn
- Zoning**-on file
- Animal Control**-12 calls
- Supervisors**-Donaldson inquired on status of newsletter, Manager responded that one is in progress.
- Solicitor**-Alan Shuckrow reported on the Rita Drive proceedings, Validity Challenge hearing status and working with office on day-to-day matters.
- Public Works**-Kendall stated that trucks and road crew are prepared for winter maintenance and interior framing work is underway for future office space.
- Engineer**- on file
- Manager** – introduced supplemental office employee and described problems with contamination of recycling unit

Kendall made a **motion** to accept reports, Seconded by Donaldson.
RCV: Kendall-Yes, Donaldson-Yes, Foley-Yes.

OLD BUSINESS

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve the final land development application of Robinson Power Company, LLC for the Beech Hollow Energy Project contingent upon the developer satisfying all outstanding engineering comments; executing all necessary agreements with the Township and receiving all state and federal permits needed for the project. Seconded by Foley. Solicitor explained the process by which a vote could be taken, specifically that with a three member board, where two members have a conflict of interest, by necessity those with a conflict may vote to generate a majority vote. Kendall and Foley read conflict/abstention memos, signed them, and submitted them to Secretary. By necessity, Foley then voted.
RCV: Kendall – ABSTAIN, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

NEW BUSINESS

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve 5-year Police Contract with McDonald Police Department. Seconded by Foley.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to approve Rodger and Susan Kendall Subdivision Phase 4. Seconded by Foley. Engineer provided explanation of this simple residential subdivision, which creates a 2-acre lot. Kendall read, signed, and submitted an abstention memo and submitted to Secretary.
RCV: Kendall – ABSTAIN, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to remove the following roads from ETC Northeast Pipeline excess weight road agreement: Maple Grove Road, Foley Road, Shaffer Road, and Valleyview Road. ETC will continue to bond and utilize Campbell and Washington Road. Seconded by Foley. Manager explained that Road Foreman has indicated that the referenced roads are in satisfactory condition and ETC is not responsible for any recognized damages.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to purchase Visa gift cards in the amount of \$25.00 each for 6 employees as Thanksgiving recognition. Seconded by Foley. Solicitor Shuckrow requested to compensate the Township for these gifts on behalf of Strassburger McKenna Gutnick & Gefsky, and Engineer Keith Straight increased the amount by \$25.00 to a total of \$50.00 as a gift on behalf of his firm Redcon Engineering. These gestures were acknowledged with gratitude.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Donaldson made a **motion** to appoint resident George Protch as Robinson Township liaison to the Midway Sewage Authority. Seconded by Foley.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF OTHER MATTERS

Resident Christopher Amodeo of 1502 Candor Road referenced a general election campaign mailing that contained his name as a candidate, disavowed any connection with the sending of such mailing, and disputed the accuracy of the information contained within.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Kendall adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m. which was seconded by Donaldson.
RCV: Kendall – Yes, Donaldson – Yes, Foley – Yes

Respectfully submitted:

Crystal Brown, Manager and Secretary