

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of New Russia Township Trustee Regular Meeting

HELD

May 19, 2020

Chairman, Jack Hoyt called the May 19, 2020 Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees: Jack Hoyt, Patricia Brubaker, Andrew Gulish were present, as well as Fiscal Officer, Lisa Akers. Staff and Public: Deputy Plemons, Lester Morris, Bill Burgdorf, Kris Waechter, John and Kathy Rokasy, John Gonos

Motion to Approve May 5, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve the May 5, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Andrew Gulish. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2020-05-13

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The Financial, Investment and Appropriation Reports were reviewed and found in order.

-Fiscal Officer reported Rental Revenue as of 5/19/2020:	\$ 33,112.50
Less Expenditures:	<u><46,473.30></u>
	\$<13,360.80>

Fiscal Officer advised \$11,362.61 in refunds has been issued to date. Great uncertainty continues to exist due to Covid 19 and revenue will probably decline further.

Fiscal Officer also stated she will be working on the 2021 Budget and requested Trustees and Service Supervisor to advise within the next week or so of any new projects/equipment that should be budgeted for in the 2021 fiscal year. Chairman Hoyt stated there should be no major building or equipment purchase in the forthcoming year.

Motion to Approve Warrants

Motion was made by Andrew Gulish to approve warrants totaling \$11,074.62, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Andrew Gulish —aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2020-05-14

PUBLIC CONCERNS AND REQUESTS

John Gonos (Safe Harbor Security) -Discussed with Trustees security camera placement for Administrative and Service Complex. *Trustees would like to see cameras around perimeter of buildings, outside of restrooms, shelter, play ground, parking lots, entrance/exit doors, portico, Lodge Kitchens, hallways, bars, Meeting Room.* John will return at future date with equipment cost.

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STAFF REPORTS

Lester Morris: -Revised Junk Car Resolution for Zoning Amendments and would like Trustees to review. *Chairman Hoyt stated he would like to see what the Prosecutor's Office says before reviewing.* Mr. Morris was again belligerent and said to "forget it" that he is "not doing all this" and that he has never had to go thru all this mess before. *Chairman Hoyt stated he will "not accept" resolution.* Lester approached Chairman Hoyt and threw paperwork on table, again Chairman Hoyt stated he will "not accept". Mr. Morris continued to use derogatory words and was belligerent to all Trustees. *Chairman Hoyt called for Mr. Morris's resignation from Zoning Board of Commission, Mr. Morris refused stating, I'm not resigning, I'll be your worst nightmare.* At that point Deputy Plemons escorted Mr. Morris out-of-meeting and took him out to the parking lot to defuse situation.

Chairman Hoyt discussed the possibility of opening Park this weekend for fishing, walking trails and tennis ONLY until more direction from Governor. All Trustees agreed to open in time for the Memorial Day Weekend.

Kris Waechter: -New tractor is at Motrim for mower install
 -Replaced breakers for fountain at Park, seems to be working
 -Cemetery fountain replaced, found fishing line around old fountain
 -Chipping began, successful
 -Dumpster Days went well
 -Roadside ditch mowing started, Bill Burgdorf interested in learning how to mow ditches
 -Big Trees transplanting five (5) trees in Park, may need to move more for drainage
 -New Seasonal Employee quit due to full-time job offer
 -Potential Seasonal Employee interview = no show
 -Continue to sanitize
 -Northern Refrigeration performed regular maintenance on coolers in "The Lodge"
 -Closed East Hamilton to due flooding (heavy rain)
 -Would like to finish rip-rap around pond (reviewed two quotes) GTI and Kurtz Bros.
 -Potential two (2) high school students for seasonal employment

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Motion to Approve Rip-Rap Purchase

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve the purchase of Rip-Rap for pond maintenance from Gregory Trucking Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$3,600.00, seconded by Andrew Gulish. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2020-05-15

Motion to Approve Transplant of Trees in Park

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve transplanting of trees in Park by Big Trees at a cost not-to-exceed \$1,500.00, seconded by Andrew Gulish. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2020-05-16

Deputy Plemons: Calls for Service

Apr. 30th, 13000 block of Quarry Rd., domestic disturbance report.
 May 3rd, 11000 block of Rt. 58, noise disturbance involving loud explosions. The source wasn't located, but suspected to be coming from the border of Amherst Twp.
 May 4th, 12000 block of Quarry Rd., domestic disturbance/ custody issue report.
 May 5th, 12000 block of Rt. 58, reference a theft from local business.
 May 6th, helped citizen on Russia Rd., with a lost dog.
 May 7th, 47000 block of Russia Rd., unruly child complaint.
 May 7th, 11000 block of Rt. 58, a business owner complained of an ex-employee not returning property, but it was later returned and the matter was resolved.
 May 7th, 11000 block of Rt. 58, an alleged report of animal cruelty, which was later determined to be unfounded.
 May 14th, 11000 block of Rt. 58, a drug overdose in the parking lot of a local business. Narcan was administered by deputies and the victim was transported to the hospital. A second male was cited for driving w/o a license and his vehicle was towed.
 May 16th, assisted with traffic control issues with road closed/ high water signs along E. Hamilton St., along with people complaining about same and others wanting to leave their vehicles parked in the road.

(8) welfare checks were completed, (16) traffic citations were issued along with (6) warnings. (12) bags of trash was picked up along Twp. roads.

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TRUSTEE BUSINESS

Correspondence were reviewed and found in order.

Trustees discussed Office opening next Wednesday to include Saturdays. Trustee Brubaker made changes for LCTA Directory. Also, Martha Verda passed away this morning at the age of 93, Martha was NRT first female Trustee. Food Vendors will be available at Fairgrounds this weekend following social distancing guidelines.

REMINDER: Public Hearing regarding potential house demolition will be 5/26/2020 at 6:00 pm.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Andrew Gulish to adjourn meeting at 8:23 pm, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Andrew Gulish—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye.

MOTION CARRIED

2020-05-17

AFFIRMED by Jack Hoyt at June 2, 2020 Regular Meeting

ATTESTED by Lisa Akers at June 2, 2020 Regular Meeting