

Village of Romeo

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Romeo Board of Trustees was held on Monday, Aug. 15, 2016 at 7:00pm in the Romeo Community Center.

Present: Trustee Edwards, Hart, Malzahn, Rossell, Tornow and Pres. Siglow.

Absent: None

Resolved by: Trustee Fowler, supported by Trustee Hart to approve minutes with the addition by Trustee Malzahn to include that taxes were mailed out late.

Yeas: All Nays: None

Resolved by: Trustee Hart, supported by Trustee Tornow to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$20,805.90 and \$283,577.84

Yeas: Trustee Edwards Fowler, Hart, Malzahn, Pres. Siglow

Nays: None

Clerks Report:

Michael A. Lee Clerk/Admin. reported on attending the Macomb County Block Grant Workshop. Has been working on the AT&T contract for cell tower. Lee was updated by the County regarding the Brownfield Development District distribution. Have worked on the RFP for the annual audit. Also addressed the letter regarding Deer that was sent by the resident. Lee reminded the community of Gleaners Food Bank with be at Grace Lutheran Church located at 7525 32 Mile Rd, 1-3pm Aug. 24, 2016 for assistance with fresh produce, dry goods and proteins. Please pick up after your pets while on your walks throughout town.

Presidents Report:

President Siglow reported on the great job the Romeo DPW did after the storm on this past Friday.

Public Forum:

Ruth Songer of Almont Twp. wants "preferred citizen status" so she could break the rules. She expressed her concerns that if the contacted vendors dropping off goods to local village businesses can park their vehicles in the Fire Lanes, that she can. She noted the Liability that the Village of Romeo, Village Police Department and Village Council has allowing this to happen. An accident could happen and she could be next.

Approval of the Agenda:

Resolved by: Trustee Hart , supported by Trustee Malzahn that the agenda be approved with the addition on Regional Transit Authority to New Business #5.

Yeas: All Nays: None

Old Business:

1) Professional Services Policy- Vettraino

Resolved by: Trustee Fowler, supported by Pres. Siglow to approve the change from person to Village President in the last sentence of bullet point A. of the Policy for Professional Services.

Yeas: Trustee Hart, Fowler, Rossell, Tornow and President Siglow

Nays: Trustee Edwards and Malzahn

Resolved by: Trustee Hart, supported by Trustee Tornow to approve the Policy for Professional Services with the change from person to Village President.

Yeas: Trustee Hart, Rossell, Tornow and President Siglow.

Nays: Trustee Edwards, Fowler and Malzahn

2) RFP- Annual Auditor

Resolved by: President Siglow, supported by Trustee Fowler to approve President Siglow's appointment of Stewart, Beauvais and Whipple as the Village of Romeo Auditing Firm with the five year contract as presented.

Yeas: Trustee Edwards, Fowler, Rossell, Tornow, and President Siglow

Nays: Trustee Hart and Malzahn

New Business

1) Special Events Permit- Harvest Days Closure of North Main St.

Resolved by: Trustee Hart, supported by Trustee Edwards to approve the closure of North Main St. Oct 8th 2016 from 7:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. for Harvest Days.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Note: Contact Village Office when plan has been reached on final tent sizes.

2) AT&T Tower Contact

Discussion was head by the Village Council regarding the contract. Points noted was the monthly lease amount, 2-3 year lease rent if vacated, location and location size. Lee will contact AT&T regarding the items of concern.

3) RFP- Legal Services Review

Discussion was held by the Village Council regarding the RFP presented by Vettrano Consultants for Legal Services. Vettrano thought that the RFP should be divided to 3 separate service: General, Prosecution and Labor. Concerns on Liability Insurance will be looked at and discussed between the Village Attorney, Clerk and Vettrano. Updated RFP will be presented at the next Village Council meeting.

4) Pension Liability Plan

Discussion was held regarding the outstanding Pension Liability and OPEB. Clerk/Admin. Lee and Trustee Tornow will work together to bring information to the Village Council.

5) Regional Transit Authority (Addition)

President Siglow asked the Village Council to look at the resolution provided by State Representative Peter Lucido passed by Bruce Twp. The Village Council will have Village Attorney Mark Clark draft a resolution opposing the Regional Transit Authority Millage.

Board Member Comments:

Village Council briefly discussed the letter from resident regarding the Deer. Lee will contact DNR for assistance.

Adjournment

Resolved by: President Siglow, supported by Trustee Fowler to adjourn the meeting at 8:37p.m.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Michael A. Lee, Romeo Village Clerk/Administrator

Tadd Siglow, Romeo Village President