

Village of Richland/Richland Township

Joint Meeting

7401 North 32nd Street

Richland, MI 49083

March 10, 2016

Approved as amended by council adding Richland Township minutes to the Village Joint minutes- JWH

Village Present:

President Greve
Clerk Holewa
Treasurer Edds
Trustee Koporetz
Trustee Lewis
Trustee Smith
Trustee Gross
Trustee K. Foust

Township Present:

Supervisor Harma
Clerk LaDuke
Treasurer Drouin
Trustee Wendzel
Trustee Byrnes
Trustee A.J. Harma
Trustee P. Foust

Absent: Village trustee Prentice

Others present:

Twp. Attorneys R. Seeber and T.S. Koches

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Harma at 7:00 pm

Supervisor Harma led the Pledge of Allegiance

It was announced that Supervisor Harma would be the moderator for this meeting.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended Bynes/ Drouin – CARRIED

Motion to approve May joint meeting minutes A. Harma/ Greve – CARRIED

Citizen comments:

Joe Kaywood 8882 Macywood Lane, Suggested that both boards send an acknowledgement thanking the Fire Department for their service.

New Business:

HHW – the Township and Village both participate. No cost to individuals dropping off items.

Fire Department:

355 calls for 2015. 71 calls in the Village

Village report on services provided to village residents:

Local Police Department, Department of Public Works, Master Planning and Zoning, Local Ordinances, Flower planters, Liaison police officers in the schools, tree City, Arbor, Santa and Wassailing, Weather Sirens, Street Lights, Fire Hydrants

Potential outcomes of the Village/Township Vote:

Attorney Koches gave a Memorandum to both boards. The Memorandum explained the General Law Village Act, Public Act 3 of 1895 regarding procedures for disincorporation of the Village. Discussion ensued regarding possibilities. President Greve suggested that both boards should educate the public regarding the pending vote. It was agreed that the boards should hold a joint meeting in April.

MDOT update:

MDOT will be working in the village to replace the signal and work on sidewalks. Work will begin in September 2016 and continue into 2017.

Citizen comments:

Several citizens asked questions/made suggestions regarding the disincorporation issue.

Trustee updates:

Village Trustee Lewis announced that the village was working with RACC for planting the flower pots on May 14.

Township Trustee Harma thanked the first responders who helped at the recent shooting tragedy.

He informed those present that the Township cleanup is scheduled for April 30, 2016 9 am– 3 pm and the shredder has been scheduled the same day 10 am – 1 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Respectively submitted by:

Jacqueline W. Holewa

Village of Richland Clerk

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