

**Richland Village Council**  
**8985 Gull Road**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**May 12, 2014**

*Council approved as amended - JWH*

**Present:** President Bob Prentice, Clerk Jacqueline Holewa, Treasurer Terry Edds and Trustees: Paul Gobble, Doug Jonas, Gail Koporetz, Virginia Gross, Diane Briggs, Attorney Bob Soltis, and Chief Mattioli

**Absent:** Rob Brinkerhoff

**The was meeting was called to order in the Richland Community Hall by President Bob Prentice, at 7:00 pm**

**Pledge of allegiance was led by President Prentice.**

**Guests:**

Al Bussema, Richland Township Supervisor, spoke about the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail (KRVT) and invited participation from the village council at a meeting scheduled for May 27, 2014.

Jim Thompson asked a question about the D Avenue project – does it include storm sewers that will take care of the rain? Answer: yes

Sue Miller, asked about the ownership of the easement in front of her property. She was told that the village does not own it but has the right to maintain/use the easement.

**Minutes & Bills Payable**

1. Motion to approve April 14, 2014 minutes – Gobble/Koporetz – **CARRIED**
2. Motion to approve Warrant 0010 as presented. Gobble/Koporetz – **CARRIED**
3. Motion to pay West Michigan International Trucks \$5,712.18 for repairs to the dump truck Jonas/Gross
4. Motion to pay Richland Township for Fire Department service \$17,981.00 – Gobble/Jonas – Roll Call – Koporetz- yes; Gobble- yes; Gross- yes; Briggs- yes; Jonas- yes; Prentice- yes; Brinkerhoff- absent – **CARRIED**
5. Motion to pay Prein & Newhof \$10,930.90 for services relating to the East D Avenue project Briggs/Gross - Roll Call – Koporetz- yes; Gobble- yes; Gross- yes; Briggs- yes; Jonas- yes; Prentice- yes; Brinkerhoff- absent – **CARRIED**
6. Motion to pay the Ted Hartleb Agency \$533.00 for increase in policy to cover the 1<sup>st</sup> Tahoe Gobble/Koporetz - **CARRIED**
7. Motion to pay JKDA \$600.00 for a server computer in the Clerk/Treasurer office Gobble/Jonas **CARRIED**

8. Motion to pay MLive \$715.31 publishing cost of Ordinance 014-2 Jonas/Gobble **CARRIED**
9. Motion to pay \$6,800 to Siegfried Crandall audit fee Gobble/Jonas - Roll Call – Koporetz- yes; Gobble- yes; Gross- yes; Briggs- yes; Jonas- yes; Prentice- yes; Brinkerhoff- absent – **CARRIED**

**Treasurer's report:**

10. The treasurer explained the financial reports.

**Old Business:**

**Discussion:**

11. Establish an assessment district for the East D Avenue project.

**Action point:**

12. Resolution to establish Assessment District with modifications changing West D Avenue to East D Avenue and edit the amount per parcel from 117.44 to 120.00 Briggs/Gross - Roll Call – Koporetz- yes; Gobble- yes; Gross- yes; Briggs- yes; Jonas- yes; Prentice- yes; Brinkerhoff- absent – **CARRIED**

**New Business:**

- ~~13. Siegfried Crandall would like to schedule a special meeting with the council to discuss the village audit.~~

**Action point:**

14. Council scheduled May 29 at 6:00 pm for the meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Police:**

15. 81 Incidents, up 29%; 154 Citations, up 14%; 65 Verbals; 1 OWI in April; 3 Seat Belt Events coming up in May.

**Fire:**

16. 23 calls - 4 in the Village

**Streets:**

17. D Avenue construction going well. KATS is restructuring fees.

**Public Service:**

18. Spring clean-up this Saturday, Brush pick-up will be May 19.

**Trees:** No Report

**Administration:**

19. A citizen commented to Gobble that the Village Newsletter was mainly about the police department they would like to see new content. Gobble encouraged the council members to submit articles.

**Buildings & Grounds:** No Report

**Zoning:**

20. WMU zoning class presentation was given at last month's meeting.

**P.P.P.:** No Report

**Budget:**

21. A meeting was scheduled for May 28 at 5:30 to discuss the budget.

**Ad Hoc:**

22. The Flower Pots will be planted on June 7, meeting in the park at 9 am.

23. Brinkerhoff, Jonas and Gobble will be village representative to the Gull Lake Area Trail (GLAT).

Motion to adjourn Gobble/Jonas – **CARRIED**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:42**

Respectfully submitted by

Jacqueline Wanda Holewa,  
Village of Richland Clerk