

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting and Budget Hearing
Columbia Township Library
Community Meeting Room
March 21, 2016

The supervisor called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Board Members Present: Christine Kolar, Kathy Trischler, Christina Parmenter
Ed Spannagel, Michael Findlay

Absent:

Others Present: Briynne McCrea (10:10-10:20)

Minutes of February 15, 2016 were approved as printed.

ROADS

The contract was signed for a survey and hearing to be completed on Huron Line Rd. from M-25 to French Rd. for the amount of \$10,100.

TIRE RECYCLING

Tire Recycling contract was signed to provided and signed for submission to the Tuscola Co. Recycling Center for 2016.

LIBRARY

- Genealogy and Local History page on the library website has been updated which includes new information about materials available on local history and a digital gallery of historical photos.
- Two free seminars have been scheduled with the following information:
 - o Life Insurance: How Much Do I Really Need? – April 4, 2016 @ 5:30 pm.
 - o Scam Alert: Don't be a Victim, Protect Your Identity! – May 23, 2016 @ 5:30
- Permission was granted for Briynne to submit a grant to Dollar General Youth Literacy. If awarded, the grant would fund youth and young adult audio books. The amount requested is \$1,680 in which awards will be announced September 1st.

2015/2016 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Motion by Kolar second by Parmenter to approve the following amendments to be made to the 2015-16 budget:

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMT</u>	<u>TOTAL BUDGET</u>	<u>EXPLANATION</u>
101-171-700	\$3,000	\$22,500	adj line item within budget – original budget amount did not reflect assessor wage increase

BUDGET HEARING

Motion by Spannagel, 2nd by Kolar to suspend the regular meeting in order to conduct the Budget Hearing for the 2016-2017 budget. Motion carried.

The Budget Hearing commenced at 10:40 pm.

Board members present: Spannagel, Trischler, Kolar, Parmenter, Findlay

No visitors present.

After finalization of the budget, Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Parmenter to close the budget hearing and resume the regular session.

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2016/2017 BUDGET APPROVAL

Motion by Spannagel, 2nd by Findlay to accept the budget as determined for the 2016-2017 budget year. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

PARCEL DIVISION

Parcel division was approved for the Brady Trust from parent parcel #004-006-000-0400-00 for residential purposes. Ck#5925

PA116 RELEASE

At a regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board, Tuscola County, Michigan, held at the township library of said township on the 21st day of March, 2016, at 8:30 am Eastern Daylight savings time.

PRESENT: FINDLAY, KOLAR, PARMENTER, SPANNAGEL, TRISCHLER

ABSENT:

The following resolution was offered by Parmenter and seconded by Kolar.

Whereas: On March 7th, 2016 the Township received a request from Dave Brady (Trustee) for approval to have a certain parcel released from the **Farmland Development Rights Agreement number** 79-50839-123115, which was executed in accordance with the provisions of PA 116 of 1974, commonly known as the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act (“The Act”); and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed this request and DETERMINED that THERE WAS AT LEAST

ONE STRUCTURE LOCATED ON THE PARCEL WAS PRESENT PRIOR to the original execution of said agreement; and

WHEREAS, the parcel proposed for release from agreement is two acres or less in size or applicant provided documentation for larger than two-acre; and

WHEREAS, the township board finds that the request for release of the particular parcel acceptable;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) That the Township Board hereby approves the request to release the following described

piece of property from said Farmland Developments Rights Agreement, Com at the E ¼ cor of Fractional Sec 6, T14N-R9E, Columbia Township, Tuscola Co., Michigan, th S87°30’43”W 1384.67 ft al the E-W ¼ li of said sec 6: th S02°35’08” E 1112 ft to P O B: th N87°41’30” E 277.00 ft, th S02°35’08” E 350.00 ft, th S87°41’30” W 277.00 ft, th N02°35’08” W 350.00 ft, to P O B .Being a pt of SE ¼ of Fractional sec 6.

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(2) That the Township Board hereby certifies that at least one structure located On the certain piece of property was present prior to the original execution of said Farmland Development Rights Agreement.

- (3) That the township clerk is hereby directed to transmit certified and sealed copies of this

resolution to the person making the request and to the Farmland Unit of the Mi Dept. of Agriculture.

ADOPTED YEAS PARMENTER, KOLAR, FINDLAY, SPANNAGEL, TRISCHLER
NAYS none

LIBRARY MILLAGE RENEWAL

PRESENT: FINDALY, KOLAR, PARMENTER, SPANNAGEL, TRISCHLER

The following resolution was offered by Kolar, seconded by Spannagel:

RESOLUTION TO establish ballot language for a library millage for the August 2, 2016 election.

Whereas, the Township of Columbia, Tuscola County, Michigan is responsible for the operations of the library of the township, and

Whereas, the Township of Columbia's Board of Trustees wishes to request this millage for the continued maintenance and daily operations of the township library, and

Whereas, the Township of Columbia must provide the residents with an opportunity to ballot on said operational millage,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbia Township Board establishes the following ballot language:

**COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP
LIBRARY MILLAGE RENEWAL**

Shall Columbia Township, County of Tuscola, Michigan, levy a tax of up to 1 mill (\$1 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four years, 2017 through 2020 for operating and maintaining the township public library? If approved and levied, the millage renewal will raise estimated revenues of \$82,000 in the first year.

The foregoing resolution offered by Findlay, seconded by Spannagel.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Kolar, Spannagel, Findlay, Trischler, Parmenter. Nays: None

The supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Financial information for the fire department was provided and reviewed.

Fire department bills were presented for approval. Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Spannagel to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$2,002.60. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP TAX MAPPING

Motion by Spannagel, 2nd by Kolar to allow Tuscola County to complete GIS laser tax mapping of the township for the amount of \$225 per year. GSI laser mapping of township parcels will provide parcel boundary mapping information. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Monthly bills

Motion by Spannagel, second by Kolar to pay the following bills as presented: Payroll \$8,931.43 and Accounts Payable \$43,72.35 Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

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MEETING DATE CHANGE

The April board meeting scheduled for Monday, April 18, 2016 at 8:30 am is being rescheduled for Monday, April 25, 2016 at 8:30 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.

Christine Kolar, Columbia Twp. Clerk

Next regularly scheduled meeting is April 25, 2016 at 8:30 AM