

**Republic Township Board Meeting
May 25th 2023
& Public Hearing at 6:45p.m.**

1. **Call to order:** Jim called the meeting to order at 6:45p.m.
2. **Pledge of allegiance**
3. **Roll call for all Board members-** James Brennan, Anna Griepentrog, Kristina Koski, Frank Haslip and John Ison, all present.
4. **Open Public Hearing-** Discussion of submission for Spark Grant for the development of the Republic Multi-Purpose Recreational Park, due June 26th.
5. **Public Comment-** Bob Bengston, Ryan Barry, Faye Mattila, Debbie Bengston.
6. **Close Public Hearing-** Jim closed meeting at 6:58p.m.

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7. **Call to order-** Jim opened the meeting at 6:59p.m.
8. **Approve Agenda-** Motioned by Jim with additions in new business D-new recreation membership, E-Noise ordinance. Seconded by Anna. Motion passed.
9. **Minutes-** Motioned by Anna to approve the minutes for April 27th, seconded by Tina. Motion passed. Approval of minutes for special board meeting May 10th by Jim and seconded by John. Motion passed.
10. **Public Comment-** Faye Mattila, Ryan Barry asked to have E-noise ordinance added to the agenda. Jim amended the agenda to add Ryan Barry for noise ordinance to be extended. Seconded by Anna. Motion passed.

11. Reports:

A. IOHT- Jim attended a meeting, the director is leaving in the fall. They have a replacement. The money they have received has been spent on the new equipment needed for upkeep.

B. TIFA- Will be receiving permit for Dam Project to move forward.

C. WETESA- Received the Great Seal this month and final steps are being made to get up and running.

D. Zoning Administrator- Absent

E. Ordinance Enforcement- Board members received packets of citations handed out.

F. Assessor- Good report

12. Old Business:

A. Poplar sewer & water project- Emmit from UPEA came in and spoke on options and plans. Jim tabled for special board meeting on Thursday June 1st at 10:00a.m. Seconded by Anna. Motion passed.

B. Replacement of well #5- Andrew a spokesperson from UPEA talked about the proposal for test/production well. Board asked for bid on 10" well versus 8". Jim tabled for meeting on June 1st. Frank seconded this motion. Motion passed.

C. Resolution Spark Grant- Jim made a motion to accept resolution and seconded by Tina. Roll call 5-0. Motion passed.

D. Cedar Street- Discussion of Cedar Street one person wants to build a home; Jim made a motion to decommission the road from poplar to maple. Seconded by Frank. Motion passed.

E. Cady Aqua store Inc. bid (North Tower)- Jim made a motion to accept bid from Cady Aqua Store Inc. to have them repair North Tower. Tina seconded this motion. Motion passed.

F. Alter scrap metal bid- Jim made a motion to accept the bid from Alter for scrap metal from transfer station. Seconded by Tina. Motion passed.

G. Ambulance- Jim made a motion to lease our ambulance/equipment to WETESA for \$1.00 per year for 5 years. Seconded by Anna. Motion passed.

H. Crowd funding (Disc golf)- Daniel spoke on crowd funding for the disc golf course. He applied for a grant to increase from 9 holes to 18 holes. Jim made a motion for the crowd funding to be received into the recreational account with the added amendment that this is for the disc golf course only. Seconded by Frank. 5 ayes, Motion passed.

I. Tri Media Quote on Surveying Cemetery- Jim made a motion to accept quote on Tri Media to survey the cemetery. Seconded by John. 3 nays, 2 ayes. Motion failed.

J. Ordinance Violations Enforcement- Tina made a motion to combine ordinance and zoning duties and to accept John Dulek's application for said position. Motion tabled.

13. New Business

A. Planning Commission Member- Jim made a motion to accept Carrie Biolo as a new member for the Planning Commission, seconded by Anna. Motion passed.

B. Membership for Cannabis Center for Municipalities- Disregard

C. Senior Center- Lady was absent

D. Noise Ordinance- Ryan Barry asking to extend the noise ordinance from 11:00pm. to 2a.m. It was suggested to get a survey of surrounding residents and if they would mind this happening. It would be for only 2 days.

14. Payment of Bills- Motioned by John to approve the payment of bills, seconded by Frank. Motion passed.

15. Public Comment- Faye Matilla, Joe Derocha, Ryan Barry

16. Board Comments- None

17. Adjourn- Motioned by Jim B. to adjourn meeting at 8:45p.m. seconded by John I. Motion passed.

Sworn and subscribed to by:

Anna Griepentrog, Clerk

Date

APPROVED