

BEARINGER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
17034 Town Hall Highway Millersburg, Michigan
August 9, 2016 Minutes

Supervisor Patterson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Present for the meeting were Board Members Supervisor Archie J. Patterson II, Clerk Beverly Rossetto, Treasurer Emilie Stawiarski, Trustees Kay Dowker and Duane Walker. Others in attendance were Doug Phelps, Nancy Shutes, James McKindles, Gwen Sutton, Dave Cowper, Karen Tucker, Hank Filipowski and Irv Dedow.

Approval of Agenda: Emilie Stawiarski made a motion to approve the agenda, Kay Dowker supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion made by Kay Dowker to approve the Consent Agenda and pay the bills, motion supported by Duane Walker. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: After review of the minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting, Duane Walker made a motion to approve the minutes, Kay Dowker supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Stawiarski gave a summary of the July 2016 financial report. Fund balances ending July 31, 2016 were:

1. General Fund Savings Account	\$178,652.97
2. General Fund Checking Account	2,377.80
3. CD (Savings) Account	106,100.06
4. Township Building Fund	<u>10,001.11</u>
5. Total (All Accounts)	\$297,131.94

Treasurer Stawiarski reported that 38.3% of summer taxes have been paid, a total of 758 parcels have been processed. She also stated that the August CD's with Huron National Bank would be converted into 5 year CD's (approved in May 2016).

Clerk's Report: Clerk Rossetto stated that copies of the minutes of the regular board meeting of July 12, 2016, and the July check register and balance sheet are available.

Trustee's Report: Kay Dowker gave the report of the Onaway Area Ambulance meeting held, July 27, 2016. The new building addition is looking very nice, the electric and plumbing are done. The amount of \$27,340.00 was moved from savings to checking to pay the bills and the amount owed to Badgero Construction.
Trustee Walker had no report.

Assessor's Report: Supervisor Patterson read the Assessor's report: The Assessor is working on processing deeds and has been in contact with Presque Isle Equalization and Treasurer's office pertaining to contact information as well as July Board of Review decisions.

Supervisor's Report: Big Trash Day: Supervisor Patterson presented pictures taken on Big Trash Day and thanked the volunteers who helped with the event.
Board of Review: Three (3) requests for Principal Residence Exemption were reviewed and approved. The Board discussed the needs for the Assessor to get set up and running. The next Board of Review meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2016.

The Rogers City Area Ambulance Service will meet tomorrow and a report will be given at our next township meeting. The new ambulance is in service and one of the other ambulance blew an engine and has been repaired.

Correspondence: Clerk Rossetto read correspondence from Presque Isle County Department of Building Inspection and Zoning regarding the updating of the Presque Isle County Recreational Plan.

Old Business: Exterior of the Township Hall Building Repair: Supervisor Patterson gave an update of the two bids regarding sealcoat and replacing missing stones. Trustee Walker questioned the foundation of the building. Supervisor Patterson and Trustee Walker will examine the foundation and report back at the next board meeting. Clerk Rossetto questioned the time frame needed to complete the repair before it gets to cold. Treasurer Stawiarski questioned if the bid from Winberg for \$3,000.00 was all inclusive with the seal coat. Supervisor Patterson will find out additional information and report to the Board. Decision to approve the repair was tabled until further information is obtained.

New Business: Assessor's computer: Supervisor Patterson explained that a township owned computer was needed for the Assessor. A township computer will contain the Bearinger Township property information and will make for an easier transition to a new Assessor in the future. The Supervisor gave prices of two (2) different computer and a backup hard drive. After a brief discussion, Clerk Rossetto made a motion to purchase the HP Pavilion Laptop and the external backup hard drive, motion supported by Kay Dowker. Roll call vote: Voting yes were Kay Dowker, Emilie Stawiarski, Duane Walker, Beverly Rossetto and Archie Patterson. Five yes votes, motion, carried. To cover the expense of the computer and supplies, Clerk Rossetto made a motion to move \$750.00 from the budgeted 2016/17 Assessor Contractual Service (101-257-801) to Assessor Office Supplies (101-257-727), Emilie Stawiarski supported the motion. Five yes votes, motion carried.

Public Comment: Hank Filipowski and Dave Cowper questioned the road repair that has been done on Bluffs Highway. Irv Dedow explained that a little over a year ago the township had tried to get a Special Assessment District for the repairs and that the Black Lake home owners wanted nothing to do with it. Irv talked about the Road Commission doing core drilling and the result found that to rebuild the highway would be very expensive. Gwen Sutton talked about the problems of living on a dirt road. Karen Tucker and Hank Filipowski stated that the way the road is now is a hazard and someone was going to have an accident. Supervisor Patterson advised them to call the Road Commissioner and to get other home owners to call also. Supervisor Patterson also stated he would find out if the road changes would impact the Assessed/Taxable value of the residents' taxes.

Being no further comments, Kay Dowker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Duane Walker. Five aye votes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Next regular Township Board meeting will be held, Tuesday September 13, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by,

Beverly Rossetto, Township Clerk