

BENGAL TOWNSHIP BOARD

MEETING 7:00 PM

April 13, 2022

The Bengal Township Board meeting was brought to order by Supervisor McDonald at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Nick McDonald, Sharon Bassette, and Stan Sillman, and Eric Boak. Absent: Denice Schultheiss,

Community present: Lori Pung, Nolan Soloman

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was said and the meeting commenced.

Supervisor McDonald presented the **agenda** for review, the Park Exploration Committee presentation, millage resolution, treasurer replacement, and ARPA funding were added to the agenda under new business, Clerk Bassette made a motion to accept the agenda with changes, Trustee Sillman supported, motion carried.

The **March 9th and 30th, 2022 meeting minutes** were presented by Clerk Bassette, Trustee Boak made a motion to accept the March 9th meeting minutes as presented, supported by Trustee Sillman, motion carried. Trustee Sillman made a motion to accept the March 30th meeting minutes as presented, Trustee Boak supported, motion carried.

Members reviewed the **Treasurer's Report**.

Clerk Bassette gave the **Clerk's Report** and is in line with the Treasurer's report for the month. Clerk Bassette brought back the Clerk's March Report with correction to add the ARPA account. We also discussed the Emergency Services Contract for Dallas, Nick had spoken to Vern Feldpausch from Dallas Township and advised that there would be no changes this year so the contract will carryover another year, and next year a new contract will be done with Dallas. Trustee Sillman made a motion to accept the Clerks Report as presented, supported by Trustee Boak, motion carried.

Clerk Bassette presented the **current bills to be paid**, Trustee Sillman made a motion to approve the bills presented for a total of \$11,922.24, Trustee Boak supported, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lori Pung asked questions regarding hall rental usage and the Dallas Emergency contract.

NEW BUSINESS:

No **Sheriff's Report** was given.

No **Commissioner's Report** was given.

Public Comment: none

Nolan Soloman from the **Park Exploration Committee** gave a presentation on the progress of the group, doing a PowerPoint showing what we learned during the first questionnaire and made recommendation to move forward. It was determined to move forward with another questionnaire with the Summer taxes and township newsletter, and start with the process for the architect and the 5 year plan.

Lori Pung, the Planning Commission chair, gave an **update on the Planning Commission** discussing the inspector contract which will be \$2500 through December 2022, and \$3500 for January – December 2023, and up to \$1500 for court hearings as needed with a stipend in the amount of \$75.00 per event. Zoning and ZBA membership were discussed.

Supervisor McDonald discussed the **ARPA Funding** and requested we meet during the week to submit the report by April 30th on April 27th.

The **Township millage** was discussed and the attorney provided wording as reviewed. This was tabled after discussion and a meeting was sent for April 27 before the Planning Commission meeting at 5:45.

The **Treasurer appointment** was discussed. Lori Pung, who is the current Planning Commission chair, has been asked and expressed interest in the treasurer position, Treasurer Schultheiss has said she would be willing to assist with the treasurer responsibilities indefinitely.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor McDonald discussed the township meeting he and Stan Sillman attended with the **Road Commission** regarding their work for the year.

BOARD COMMENTS: n/a

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Clerk Sharon Bassette.