

BENGAL TOWNSHIP BOARD

MEETING 7:00 PM

DECEMBER 11, 2019

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

Members present: Deb Schafer, Bill Kushmaul, Nick McDonald and Denice Schultheiss; Sharon Bassette was absent.

Community present: Kurt Koenigsknecht, Lori Pung, Aislinn Droski, Nolan Solomon (Commissioner Pohl arriving later)

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

Supervisor Schafer moved to accept the **agenda** as presented, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

After discussion, consideration of the **08/14/19 meeting minutes** tabled until next month's meeting to be more certain of an appropriate quorum to approve such.

Trustee Kushmail moved to approve the **11/13/19 meeting minutes** as presented, supported by Supervisor Schafer, motion carried.

Treasurer Schultheiss presented the **Treasurer's Report**. Trustee Kushmaul moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, supported by Trustee McDonald, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer presented the **Clerk's Report** in the absence of Clerk Bassette. Supervisor Schafer made a motion to accept the Clerk's Report, supported by Trustee McDonald, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer presented the **current bills to be paid**. Treasurer Schultheiss made a motion to approve the bills to be paid as presented, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Sheriff report: None

Planning Commission Report: Lori Pung presented Aislinn Droski from McKenna & Associates who presented the finalized Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance. Discussion regarding the most significant changes; questions were answered; it was agreed they would let the board know what options would be in the event board/commission participation were to wane.

Trustee Kushmaul moved to accept the finalized Master Plan, supported by Trustee McDonald. Roll Call Vote: All present voted yes. Supervisor Schafer signed the Resolution and declared the Master Plan Resolution adopted.

Trustee McDonald moved to accept the Zoning Ordinance, supported by Supervisor Schafer. Roll Call Vote: All present voted yes. Supervisor Schafer signed the Resolution and declared the Zoning Ordinance Resolution adopted.

ZBA Bylaws: Discussion regarding the proposed ZBA bylaws; Treasurer Schultheiss had some suggestions for improvements in the wording. Board agreed to table decision on the bylaws until the next meeting; Schultheiss to submit suggestions and questions for consideration.

Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Pohl presented information on the anticipated ballot proposal of .85mil related to the 911 service, and related surcharge decrease from \$2.75 to \$1.50. Also presented information and answered questions regarding the 67 acres of property on Pratt Rd being pursued for potential park development (and grant application). Announced the County once again has a fully certified Equalization Director, Eric Harger.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ambulance: Supervisor Schafer discussed the anticipated per capita increase. Townships consensus would be needed; the requested per capita is anticipated to double for the next year but still be well below the average such cost. This was tabled until a later meeting so that this projected expense could be considered with the full proposed budget.

BOARD COMMENTS: none

ADJOURN MEETING:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Treasurer Schultheiss.