

## BENGAL TOWNSHIP BOARD

MEETING 7:00 PM

January 9, 2019

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

Members present: Deb Schafer, Bill Kushmaul, and Sharon Bassette.

Members absent: Denice Schultheiss and Nick McDonald.

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

Supervisor Schafer moved to accept the **agenda** as revised to add “Kate Burkholder-Consumers Energy” Old Business, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer moved to accept the **12/12/18 meeting minutes** as presented, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried. .

Public present: Kami Smith, Kathryn Burkholder, Terry Thurston, Lori Pung, and Bill VanElls.

Supervisor Schafer presented the **Treasurer's Report**. Trustee McDonald made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented, supported by Clerk Bassette, motion carried.

Clerk Bassette presented the **Clerks Report**. Supervisor Schafer moved to accept the clerks report, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

Clerk Bassette presented the **current bills to be paid**. Trustee Kushmaul moved to accept the bills to be paid with changes to the account for supervisor expense, supported by Supervisor Schafer, motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Bill VanEll commented on the gravel being used on the township roads and discussion commenced.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no **Sheriff's Department Report** given.

The Commissioners **Report** was given by Dave Pohl.

Lori Pung gave a report on the **Zoning Commission** including that the commission was in the process of hiring a new inspector for zoning inspections.

Katherine Burkholder discussed the **Consumers Energy Company Electric Franchise Ordinance** that she wanted the board to certify. A roll call vote was taken: Bassette, yes; Schafer, yes; Kushmaul, yes; Trustee McDonald and Treasurer Schultheiss were absent. **Ordinance 2019-01** was certified.

**Resolutions discussed:** The Resolution for Poverty Exemption, Prohibition of Marijuana Establishments, Resolution for Parcel 19-27029-123140, and March Board of Review Alternative Start Dates.

A roll call vote was taken for the Resolution for Poverty Exemption: Bassette, yes; Schafer, yes; Kushmaul, yes; Trustee McDonald and Treasurer Schultheiss were absent. **Resolution 2019-01 was approved.**

A roll call vote was taken for the March Board of Review Alternative Start Dates: Bassette, yes; Schafer, yes; Kushmaul, yes; Trustee McDonald and Treasurer Schultheiss were absent. **Resolution 2019-02 was approved.**

A roll call vote was taken for the Prohibition of Marijuana Establishment: Bassette, yes; Schafer, yes; Kushmaul, yes; Trustee McDonald and Treasurer Schultheiss were absent. **Resolution 2019-03 was approved.**

A roll call vote was taken for the Resolution for Parcel 19-27029-123140: Bassette, yes; Schafer, yes; Kushmaul, yes; Trustee McDonald and Treasurer Schultheiss were absent. **Resolution 2019-04 was approved.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Supervisor Schafer presented and discussed the **Hall Rental Policy**. Trustee Kushmaul moved to accept the Hall Rental Policy as amended, supported by Supervisor Schafer, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer presented and discussed the **Ambulance budgets**. Clerk Bassette moved to accept the ambulance budgets as presented, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer distributed and discussed **road projects** for the upcoming year.

#### **BOARD COMMENTS:**

Supervisor Schafer distributed a **parking lot** drawing and updated the board on the project.

Supervisor Schafer discussed the upcoming **Board of Review** and advised that Terry Thurston, Dan Rademacher, and Rex Mohnke would be on the Board of Review this year. Supervisor Schafer made a motion to accept the Board of Review members presented, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

#### **ADJOURN MEETING:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Clerk Sharon Bassette.