

BENGAL TOWNSHIP BOARD

MEETING 7:00 PM

JANUARY 8, 2020

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

Members present: Deb Schafer, Denice Schultheiss, Bill Kushmaul, Sharon Bassette, and Nick McDonald

Community present: Terry Thurston, Nolan Soloman, Mark Holley, Dave Pohl

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

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

Supervisor Schafer moved to accept the **August 14, 2019 meeting minutes** as presented, supported by Trustee McDonald, motion carried. Trustee McDonald moved to accept the **December 11, 2019 meeting minutes** as presented, Supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried. Clerk Bassette abstained from the 12/11/2019 minutes approval.

Treasurer Schultheiss presented the **Treasurer's Report**. Supervisor Schafer made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report as presented, Trustee McDonald supported, motion carried.

Clerk Bassette presented the **Clerks Report** including a discussion regarding a cemetery plot sale. Supervisor Schafer moved to accept the Clerks Report as presented, supported by Treasurer Schultheiss, motion carried.

Clerk Bassette presented the **current bills to be paid**. Treasurer Schultheiss moved to accept the bills to be paid and ratifying withholding payments to the State and IRS made in December but not approved for payment in December, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Assessor Mark Holley recommended the Resolution for Alternative Started Date for the March Board of Review. A roll call vote was taken: Yes: Schultheiss, Schafer, McDonald, Kushmaul, and Bassette; No – none.

NEW BUSINESS:

The **Commissioners Report** was given by Dave Pohl. The board was apprised of the aerial photos being done for the County which are done every 5 years. There are three counties working together on these to keep costs low for the townships. Also discussed was the board reorganization in which Cam Washburn is the new chair. Advised that there will be a community clean-up events on April 25th and October 3rd, lights at the county have all been converted to LED with a Consumers Power Grant over \$20,000.

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

No **Planning Commission Report** was given.

OLD BUSINESS:

The amended **ZBA By-Laws** were reviewed. Treasurer Schultheiss made a motion to accept the amended ZBA By-Laws as presented, Trustee Kushmaul supported, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer presented the Clinton Area Ambulance budgets (with and without per capita increase) to be approved by the board. Treasurer Schultheiss moved to accept the Clinton Area Ambulance budgets as presented, Trustee Kushmaul supported, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer discussed **road work** to be done for 2020 and distributed listing to the board members to review.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Supervisor Schafer updated on budget for 20/21, the ceiling in the offices was discussed, reminded about the Salary Resolutions for next month's meeting, discussed that the budget meeting will be on 03/13 and reminded to put an announcement in the paper. Clerk Bassette discussed tree trimming a large pine tree in Oak Ridge Cemetery.

ADJOURN MEETING:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Clerk Sharon Bassette.