

BENGAL TOWNSHIP BOARD

MEETING 7:00 PM

MAY 8, 2019

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

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

Community present: Lori Pung, Rex Ferguson

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

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

Clerk Bassette moved to accept the **04/10/19 meeting minutes** as presented, supported by Treasurer Schultheiss, motion carried.

Treasurer Schultheiss presented the **Treasurer's Report** with handout including the annual report for the last fiscal year. Treasurer Schultheiss made a motion to move \$10,000 from saving to checking to ratify the transfer from the prior month, Trustee McDonald supported, motion carried. Supervisor Schafer made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented, supported by Treasurer Schultheiss, motion carried.

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

Clerk Bassette presented the **current bills to be paid**. Clerk Bassette moved to accept the bills to be paid, supported by Trustee McDonald, motion carried. Clerk Bassette was issued payment for the first half of the year. Clerk pay will occur in May and November until further notice.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Rex Ferguson (for the Betty Hick's property) discussed that the land Ms Hicks had received notification letters from Wolverine over the past couple of years that state some spots of her property have 18" or less soil above the pipeline. In future Mr. Hicks would like township officials to find out how many shallow pipelines there are in the township and what the procedure is for handling the shallow pipeline maintenance.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no **Commissioners Report** was given.

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

Lori Pung gave an **update on the Zoning Commission** discussing Contract for Ordinance Violation Remediation Services, the proposed Site Inspection Form, the current and proposed minimum land requirements to be considered a farmer in Bengal Township, updates to the fee schedule, updates for the final ordinance and the approval process requirements. Trustee McDonald made a motion to approve the Contract for Ordinance Violation Remediation Services with changes effective immediately, supported by Treasurer Schultheiss, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Schafer discussed **road work**, specifically the Culvert between Taft and Dexter Roads, that needs redone. Supervisor Schafer made a motion do the culvert work between Taft and Dexter Roads, supported by Treasurer Schultheiss, motion carried.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Supervisor Schafer appointed Nick McDonald to the Zoning Commission for another year.

Supervisor Schafer discussed the crushed tile problem found when working on the new parking lot at the township hall, the excavating company estimated the cost at up to \$6000 depending on the extent of the damage found. Treasurer Schultheiss made a motion to approve up to \$6000 for the tile repair work, Trustee McDonald supported, motion carried.

ADJOURN MEETING:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Clerk Sharon Bassette.