

BENGAL TOWNSHIP BOARD

MEETING 7:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

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

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

Community present: Kurt Koenigsknecht (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.

Consideration of the **08/14/19 meeting minutes** tabled until next month's meeting.

Treasurer Schultheiss presented the **Treasurer's Report**. Treasurer Schultheiss made a motion to approve the \$50k transfer from savings to checking made in August, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, 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 Kushmaul, motion carried.

Supervisor Schafer presented the **current bills to be paid**. Treasurer Schultheiss made a motion to replace the August checks issued to Cutting Edge and Sharon Bassette, with the payees signing an affidavit they will return the originals if ever found, and approved the Current Bills to be paid as presented, supported by Trustee Kushmaul, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Lawn and Snow: Supervisor Schafer presented the bids obtained for lawn and snow. General lawn and snow decision tabled until next month. The reseeding needs to be done soon, and Supervisor Schafer indicated it was offered to be done by Trustee McDonald at a lesser expense than either of the bids. Supervisor Schafer made a motion to approve Trustee McDonald to reseed the lawn areas in need if done for less than \$1200; otherwise to accept the next higher bid of \$1590.

Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Pohl discussed the County budget, changes in personnel, items related to the 911 system and the Michigan Public Communications System, engineer work pertaining to the FEMA related maps, potential Transit changes, etal.

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

Kurt Koenigsknecht gave an **update on the Zoning Commission** discussing the proposed update to the Township's fee schedule which was questioned extensively (Commission to provide explanation/breakdowns for all proposed escrows and any increased fees), McKenna's status on the final Ordinance draft, the FAQs in process, follow-up site visits considered for ag exemptions, and the junk complaint status.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Schafer discussed **road work** projects: All gravel is done. Only 2 culverts are left to be completed.

BOARD COMMENTS: none

ADJOURN MEETING:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Treasurer Schultheiss.