

**The Beaver Creek Township Board  
Regular Meeting April 12, 2016**

The regular meeting was called to order on Tuesday morning, April 12, 2016, at 10:00 am. Board members present: Ashton, Hartman, Van Nuck, Little and Riley. There were six guests present. Attorney Meihn was also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by the Supervisor.

Guest Eric Pojaske who works for the City of Grayling was present and gave us an update on the economic development effecting Beaver Creek. While working with the owner of the Skyline property, Mr. Pojaske questioned if the board would be open to development of a golf facility and skiing. The supervisor stated that when he needed a letter of support, the board would be favorable to provide it.

**AGENDA:**

Motion by Little and seconded by Van Nuck to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Motion by Riley and seconded by Little to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

Motion by Hartman and seconded by Little to accept the financial report as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

The treasurer reported that she is finding mistakes and correcting them; the bank made a \$2.00 mistake by cashing a check for more than written.

**CLERKS REPORT:**

The board needs to set a date for the workshop with the attorney. Friday evening, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm works for everyone.

The Par Plan is seeking board members if anyone would like the application.

There is a letter in correspondence stating that the EPA is seeking comments on an Underground Injection Permit, referencing King Road.

**SUPERVISORS REPORT:**

The supervisor is looking at the "Cemetery Association" membership.

The Board of Review will need a new member; also needed is an alternate for the ZBA and an alternate for the Planning Commission.

Cleanup day is June 18<sup>th</sup>.

**H.L.U.A.:**

not heard from Mr. Baker for weeks.

The pants and coats, part of the new turn out gear, is still being manufactured.

**DPW:**

Everything is running smoothly except complaints on the road.

**PLANNING/ZONING:**

The zoning administrator is sick with the flu. He did attend a meeting on "Oak Wilt". There has only been one zoning permit so far this year.

**GCT/BCT UTILITIES AUTHORITY:**

Nothing new at this time; the grant is still being worked on.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. FEMA Class
2. EPA Seeks Comments on Underground Injection Permit
3. Par Plan Board of Directors Application
4. Letter regarding Oil & Gas Lease Auction
5. DNR News

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Discussion regarding S.T.I.N.G. funding for this year. Commissioner Priebe suggested that we support it for this year as all other townships have done, and reconsider the funding for next year. Motion by Little and seconded by Van Nuck to support S.T.I.N.G. for this year and mail the check already written. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.
2. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Riley to transfer \$1,000 to the Deputy Treasurers budget line from Unallocated. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Little to accept the renewal rates from Priority Health for the next fiscal year. Roll call votes with all nays, motion failed. Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Hartman to contact Cornell Insurance to have them get us other prices to compare with the Priority Health pricing before making a decision. All ayes, motion carried.
2. The board will hold a budget work session to work on the budget for the next fiscal year on Thursday evening, April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm.
3. We have two proposals for clean-up day; American Waste at \$55 per compacted yard and Waste Management flat fee of \$4,084.76 for three trucks. Motion by Riley and seconded by Hartman to accept the Waste Management proposal. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

4. Attorney Meihn stated that he would like to tell the board what is being worked on:
  - a. Pere Cheney Cemetery regarding the road into the cemetery.
  - b. Marihuana Ordinance which he will present at our "Workshop" meeting. It will include a fee for inspection and will have zoning restrictions. There will be licensing and certification requirements. Where there are existing grows, the owners will have to comply with all requirements.
  - c. Working with Fire Chief Weatherly:
    - a. Compliance issues on trucks, and everything else that needs to be in compliance.
    - b. Policies on hiring/firing/discipline.
  - d. DNR trail issue has been put on a back burner as they have lost their grant. Attorney will work with the DNR to try and fill out the necessary paperwork for a grant.
  - e. Mr. Cooley and his FOIA requests. We are racking up costs associated with Mr. Cooley's FOIA requests, as he will not submit FOIA's that are proper. File a harassment suit?  
Regarding Mr. Cooley's FOIA requests:

Mr. Cooley requests a copy of all sign permits in the last three years and the zoning ordinance regarding signs. Get information ready and inform Mr. Cooley that it is available for him at our office.

At the March 8<sup>th</sup> regular meeting Mr. Cooley's FOIA Appeal to FOIA request dated 1/25/2016 was denied and there is no provision for a second appeal request.

Answering two FOIA requests from Mr. Cooley, a 3/28/16 package and the 3/29/2016 package:

On 3/28/16 came a FOIA request, asking 8 different questions. Motion by Little and seconded by Van Nuck: regarding the 3/28/16 request, as we do not know what FOIA request Mr. Cooley is appealing, we can only assume it is the one denied at the last regular township meeting of March 8, 2016, therefore, we are denying again. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

The 3/29/16 Appeal and Third Request. Motion by Little and seconded by Van Nuck to deny the Appeal and Third Request received 3-29-16 for a FOIA request appealed 3/8/2016 and denied, a second appeal request received for the same FOIA requested and same denial on 3/8/16, be denied again for the same reasons as was denied on 3/8/2016. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

Another FOIA asking for information from the March 9, 2016 meeting is not an appropriate FOIA request. The meeting minutes to the March 8, 2016 meeting have already been sent to Mr. Cooley by the supervisor.

At our May meeting, develop a policy stating that any FOIA changes my only be fulfilled by check or credit card.

The supervisor shall make a list of what Mr. Cooley has paid and what is owed on FOIA requests.

5. Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Riley to pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$73,822.16, checks #30352 thru #30401. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

No comments from attending residents.

Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Little to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 am.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

Cleaning Wages and Maintenance Wages, add line item for DPW Wages, etc.

Next budget meeting May 5, 2016.

No comments from the audience.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

Beaver Creek Township Special Meeting  
May 5, 2016

The Beaver Creek Township Board held a special meeting on May 5, 2016 at 7:00 pm. Board members present: Hartman, Little, Riley and Van Nuck. Absent: Ashton. Fire Chief Weatherly, Deputy Supervisor Raybuck, Deputy Clerk Schram, Deputy Treasurer Helsel, Don & Judy Johnson and Paula Capling were also present.

The purpose of the meeting was to work on the budget for the next fiscal year.

Discussed recycling increase, adding money for copier and printer for clerk's office to line items. Discussed how clerk paid the deputy clerk while filling in for secretary. The treasurer was asked for an accounting on how her deputy was paid while stuffing envelopes for taxes. Trustee Riley stated that he felt the deputy treasurer's line item was way too high.

There were no comments from the audience.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk