

**Beaver Creek Township Regular Meeting
December 8, 2016**

The Beaver Creek Township Board held its regular meeting on December 8, 2015 at 10:00 am. Board members present: Ashton, Hartman, Van Nuck, Little and Riley. There were 8 guests present.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am. The Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation were led by the supervisor.

AGENDA:

Motion by Little and seconded by Van Nuck to accept the agenda as presented, but move Unfinished Business, Fire Department Policies to the end of the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

MINUTES:

Motion by Little and seconded by Hartman to accept the minutes as presented, with one change to page 2 under Utilities Authority, last sentence, date should read November 10, 2015. All ayes, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Motion by Little and seconded by Riley to accept the financial report as presented. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Reports were presented. Winter tax bills were mailed with a wrong amount so most taxpayers will be getting a very small refund.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Presidential Primary will be held March 8, 2016.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Met with the Crawford County MTA group with marijuana ordinances discussed. We have a vacancy on the Board of Review if anyone has any suggestions for a replacement. The supervisor has been working on the Grayling Charter Township/Beaver Creek Township Utilities Authority.

HIGGINS LAKE UTILITY AUTHORITY:

The authority has received four bids for Operations/Maintenance providers, plus considering doing it in-house.

The township needs to be aware that the North Higgins Lake State Park will have to negotiate with the township, not the authority, for their hook up into the system. There are two problems the board should be aware of; the amount of sand, and the dump station, if that was allowed to run into the sewer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The fire department will be doing training with Lyon Township and new fire training classes will start the first of the year. New turn out gear is also being looked at and priced. Truck maintenance has been scheduled that cannot be done within the department.

Please sign up for the Smart 911 Program and Fire Wise Inspections.

DPW:

Everything is running smoothly and the snow fence is up.

PLANNING/ZONING:

There were 28 permits for the year, but valued at more than last year's permits.

GRAYLING CHARTER TOWNSHIP/BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY:

Next meeting Thursday morning at 8 am.

CORRESPONDENCE:

GPA letter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion by Hartman and Little to accept a rewrite to the Group Meetings Rental section of the Community Center Rental Agreement rules. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried. The paragraph under Group Meetings will be as follows: Residents only can reserve a three day rental to hold a get-together for a quilting group, scrapbook group, craft group etc. during off season, October 1st thru April 30th and only by availability. Resident must be present at function. The township reserves the right to cancel this rental for a funeral dinner.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Little to donate our old computers/printers etc. to Mr. Ketchmark that refurbishes them and gives them to people who cannot afford to buy one. All ayes, motion carried.
2. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Van Nuck to accept the Retainer Agreement from Attorney Meihn as presented. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.
3. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Van Nuck to accept the Holiday Closing Dates for 2016 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.
4. Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Little to have the supervisor spread the assessment roll for the winter taxes. All ayes, motion carried.
5. Motion by Riley and seconded by Van Nuck to have the zoning administrator attend a MTA zoning class if cost is under \$500.00. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.
6. Motion by Riley and seconded by Van Nuck to pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$974.94 checks #30133-30135 done on November 19th and accounts payable in the amount of \$13,768.89, checks #30084-30124. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

Attorney arrived at 10:50 am.

Riley left meeting at 11:02 am.

7. Fire Department Policies:
 - a. We have had a complaint that the turn-out gear is over 10 years old. It is being worked on and the attorney did contact MIOSHA. Also talking with state regarding truck equipment/inspections. We need to create a policy with an equipment check off list so we know when it is past its life and can plan to purchase new accordingly.
 - b. Working on new discipline policy, hopefully ready in January.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

1. John Small asked why there is so much heavy equipment on King Road and stated that a resident complained to him about cracked drywall because of the shaking of the house.
2. The clerk asked to attorney about posting King Road for hours/speed/amount of load and was told by the attorney that it can be done thru an ordinance similar done by Fenton Township.
3. Attorney requested that the board get together for a workshop January 8th at 5:00 pm, and he will let us know where so it can be posted as a meeting.

Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Hartman to adjourn at 11:30 am.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk