

BOSTON TOWNSHIP

Minutes of Board Meeting

August 12, 2015

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Clerk Van Prooyen at 7:05 p.m. Clerk made a motion to ask Trustee Ken Olson lead the meeting in the supervisor's absence. Board agreed.

Members Present: Van Prooyen, Lamphere, Olson, Sitzer, Ziesman, and Dunton (Arrived 7:09pm)

Absent: Stuck

Guests: Carl Cornill, Doty family, Ron Schafer-Prosecuting Attorney, Detective Sargeant Jackie Stasiak

Citizens' Comments:

Agenda Approval: Moved by Ziesman to approve the agenda, seconded by Lamphere.
Passed: Yes-5, No-0.

Consent Agenda Approval:

- August bills payable – Checks 18177 – 18205 for a total amount of \$34,469.31
- Minutes from July 8, 2015 meeting were reviewed Motion made by Ziesman to approve consent agenda (with changes made to the minutes), seconded by Sitzer, Passed: Yes-6, No-0

Clerks' Report:

- November's Ballot Proposal was delivered to the County Clerk's office and Clerk is waiting to receive a copy of Ballot for proof reading and approval.

Treasurer's Report:

- Reviewed Account Balances
- Treasurer received a notice from the assessor that the yearly management fee from BS&A will be going up. It is not known at this time by how much.
- Treasurer mentioned she has been having computer problems and will have a computer technician, Durk's Works that was recommended by the Village secretary, to come in and look at it and to fix her computer issues.

New Business:

- Prosecuting Attorney Ron Schafer, representing Advocacy for IM Safe along with Michigan State Police Detective Sargeant Jackie Stasiak, gave the board an explanation of what IM Safe is and to ask if we would participate in supporting this program while they work on becoming accredited. The program helps keep the children of Ionia and Montcalm counties safe from abuse and neglect. Since this program has a major public

benefit to this Township and its children Ziesman made a motion that we participate with giving \$1500.00 towards the program, Olson seconded, Passed: Yes-6, No0

- Connie Doty of Gravestone Services, Inc. approached the board with a verbal proposal whereby their cleaning firm would clean, free of charge, veteran's tombstones buried in all three of the Township's cemeteries with a harmless chemical. This was a proposal every board member favored by acclamation.

Because the Township would be authorizing work on private property it does not own Dunton moved to table pending clarification of any potential legal issues. (These issues were resolved August 13, 2015 enabling the project to move forward).

- Unfinished Business/Old Business:
- The Township received three bids for resurfacing and restriping the parking areas. A-1 Asphalt, Snyder Asphalt and Richard Hale. The board decided to go with Richard Hales bid in the amount of \$1200.00.
- A proposed Shoppers Guide insert explaining the issues on the 1.2 mill November 2 Election was reviewed. Several minor word changes were made and a decision to put it in the Ionia County Shoppers Guide early September was made.
- There was a request made by two residents Richard Blundy and Duane Raymond on the south side of Morrison Lake who would like to collectively buy the home between them then split the property to where each will own half of that plot. This would be in compliance with the Ordinance 98-2. Ziesman made the motion to approve, seconded by Lamphere, Passed: Yes-6, No-0

Supervisor's Notes:

Citizen's Comments:

Additional Non-Agenda Subjects:

- Treasurer brought up the cost of around \$200.00 to have the hall re-keyed. Supervisor mentioned that the main entrance door should be replaced at that time as well. Treasurer will look into what a new door would cost and report back to the board.
- Meeting Adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Van Prooyen - Clerk