

## **BOSTON TOWNSHIP**

Minutes of Board Meeting

June 10, 2015

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Dunton at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Dunton, Van Prooyen, Lamphere, Olson, Sitzer, Ziesman, Stuck

Absent:

Guests: Carl Cornill, Bud Hansberger, Jon Moxey from Fleis & VandenBrink and Officer Brinks

Citizens' Comments: Officer Brinks had about 80 in attendance at his Bike Safety Class at Saranac Community School on Thursday June 4, 2015. He also mentioned that there has been a rise in theft of yard art. A tan van has been seen and is possibly connected in the thefts. Officer Brinks gave the board an update on the current Blight Ordinance Violations. Jonathon Moxey of Fleis and VandenBrink just stopped in to say "Hi!"

Agenda Approval: Moved by Lamphere to approve the agenda, seconded by Ziesman.  
Passed: Yes-7, No-0.

Consent Agenda Approval:

- June bills payable – Checks 18119 – 18151 for a total amount of \$45,569.15
- Minutes from May 13, 2015 meeting were reviewed Motion made by Ziesman to approve consent agenda (with changes made to the minutes), seconded by Sitzer, Passed: Yes-7, No-0

Clerks' Report:

- Clerk brought up her problem of her current printer jamming and eating papers and checks. She asked permission to get a new multifunction printer. Motion made by Ziesman that a do not exceed amount of \$500.00 may be used to accomplish this, seconded and passed: Yes-7, No-0.
- Clerk mentioned that the large coffee maker in the kitchen had a cracked plug and was in need of replacement. She will get a new one ordered.

Treasurer's Report:

- Reviewed Account Balances
- Treasurer presented a tree service and shrub removal bid for the Saranac and the South Boston cemeteries. Board asked her what her recommendations would be. Stuck made the motion to go with the Treasurers recommendations plus additional services in a total of \$2970.00 for both projects., Olson seconded, Passed: Yes-7, No-0
- Treasurer mentioned that the school has been informed by the County Police Department of the damage to the trees along the East end of the halls parking lot.

#### New Business:

- Bud Hansberger from the Saranac American Legion Post 175 made a generous offer to help fix the storage building at the cemetery in exchange to having a room with lock and key there to store the flags that are used on the graves of our veterans. He feels he could get enough in donations that it may not cost the township anything to get the job done. The board was very honored with the offer and humbly accepted. Bud presented a bill for half of the balance for the flags purchased in the amount of \$150.00. Stuck made the motion to accept, Olson seconded, Passed: Yes-7, No-0
- Treasurer brought up to the board that it may be time to think about rekeying the hall. She will return next month with a price of what that would cost to do.
- Van Prooyen made the motion to accept the Junkyard License Renewals that were filed. Lamphere seconded. Passed: Yes-7, No-0
- Unfinished Business/Old Business:
- The Memorial Day Program on May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 was a beautiful service. Pastor Jim Kirkland of Life Point Church could not officiate the opening and closing prayers. In his place Pastor Ron Tuinstra from South Boston officiated. Thank you to all who participated.

#### Supervisor's Notes:

- Dunton brought up that the Nash Business Park Site Condominium should be terminated due to no commencing. Stuck made the motion to accept the termination with the necessary papers drafted by the attorney, seconded by Lamphere. Passed: Yes-7, No-0
- Jon Moxey confirmed to the board that in his opinion the road materials used on Crosscut Lane were satisfactory to meet the requirement from the township. With that in mind Dunton made a motion then that we return the \$5000.00 escrow money back now instead of waiting until August, Ziesman seconded. Passed: Yes-7, No-0

#### Citizen's Comments:

#### Additional Non-Agenda Subjects:

- Talk of getting the parking lot restriped was brought up. Clerk also mentioned that it would hurt to have it resealed first. Bid request will be posted in the Shoppers Guide and due before next meeting.
- Board has received some opinion on the proposal of a one mill millage that would 100% go to road repair, some negative but mostly positive. We want to make sure the voters are educated on the proposal and will encourage the residents to come to July's regular meeting where they can get any questions they have answered. Representation from the Ionia County Road Commission, Fleis and VandenBrink-Engineer's and Mika Meyer and Associate's-Legal will be there to help answer questions. This will be posted the two weeks prior to the meeting.
- Meeting Adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Van Prooyen - Clerk