

BOSTON TOWNSHIP
Minutes of Board Meeting
November 12, 2014

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

Members Present: Dunton, Ziesman, Van Prooyen, Olson, Sitzer, Lamphere (7:52pm), Stuck

Absent:

Guests: Officer Brinks

Citizens' Comments:

Agenda Approval: Moved by Sitzer to approve the agenda, seconded by Ziesman Passed: Yes-6, No-0.

Consent Agenda Approval:

November bills payable – Checks 17899 – 17949 for a total amount of \$89,391.98. Minutes from October 8, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Ziesman made a motion to accept the minutes with some grammatical corrections, seconded by Olson. Passed Yes-6, No-0

Clerks' Report:

Clerk presented the board with the results from the November Election. Election went well with no major problems arising. The clerk mentioned that there were several broken tables that should be replaced. Ziesman suggested a do not exceed amount of \$750.00 for approximately 6 tables and to look into getting 8 foot plastic tables. Passed: Yes-6, No-0

Treasurer's Report:

Reviewed Account Balances. Treasurer also mentioned that interest rates were down She has been looking into alternative investments.

New Business:

Supervisor Dunton explained for the board what the proposed 2015 Inflation Rate Multiplier used in the 2015 "Headlee" Calculation was and how it affected our tax rates.

Board went over the proposed Ionia County ORV Ordinance. Ziesman made the motion to accept and support the proposed ordinance, Stuck seconded: passed: Yes-6, No-0

Robert Williams contacted the Township asking for a Boy Scout Eagle project. The board feels this should be part of the Eagle's project of coming up with an idea.

Board went over the open Escrow accounts Van Prooyen made the motion to absorb some of the uncollectible debt owed in order to close those Escrow accounts out, Boston Meadow and Greenbriar will be closed out. Ziesman seconded: passed: Yes-6, No-0

Lamphere entered the meeting at 7:52pm

Unfinished Business/Old Business:

2014-2015 snow removal contract was given to MVLL by motion made by Ziesman and seconded by Lamphere. Passed Yes-7, No-0

Estimates for the impairing intersections on Darby Rd. with MacArthur and Peck Lake Roads were discussed. Estimates came in high and we will ask the Road Commission for alternatives. Subject of placing stop signs at intersection was brought up but Ziesman said they would be disallowed in this instance. Ziesman made the motion to table the decision until a crash data report can be obtained and studied for possible support. Passed: Yes-7, No-0

Supervisor's Notes

Assessor and Supervisor rode around the township. Supervisor received report from attorney Leisman that the blight ordinance violation on M-21 (Barnes) will be heading to court. Chase blight case is all cleaned up.

Supervisor said that another incident of two dwellings on one lot has come about. Building department wrongly issued a building permit. A legal easement was in place 10 1/2 years ago and the second dwelling is being accessed by this easement.

Citizen's Comments:

- Meeting Adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Van Prooyen - Clerk