

BOSTON TOWNSHIP
Minutes of Board Meeting
September 10, 2014

Call to Order:

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

Absent:

Guests: Carl Cornils, Steve Hartley, Marsha Henschke, Officer Brinks

Citizens' Comments:

Agenda Approval: Motion by Dunton to approve the agenda with the addition of Steve Hartley to Unfinished Business and Sewer Board Resolution to New Business, Passed: Yes-7, No-0.

Consent Agenda Approval:

- September bills payable – Checks 17843 – 17869 for a total amount of \$32,942.98. Minutes from August 13, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Ziesman made motion to accept consent agenda, seconded by Sitzer. Passed Yes-7, No-0

Clerks' Report:

Clerk reported that the website will be active within the week just waiting for the domain to be released to Boston Township. Clerk brought in her tablet for those that wanted to check it out.

Treasurer's Report:

- Reviewed Account Balances
Treasurer reported that the taxes were coming in at a steady pace. She will be in the Township Hall from 9:00am-5:00pm on Monday September 15, 2014 for collection of taxes.

New Business:

- Resident of Saranac called upset to the damage found at a family burial spot at the Saranac Cemetery. Cemeterian Lamphere will look into this and check with the grounds crew if they know anything about the damage.
- Sewer Board Resolution was presented to the board for approval by Trustee Olson. "Section 514. **Time Price Differential.** If rates and charges are not paid on or before the due date, then a time/price differential of 10% simple interest on the unpaid balance shall be added thereto, until certified for inclusion on the tax roll." Passed by roll call vote: Van Prooyen-yes, Ziesman-yes, Stuck-yes, Sitzer-yes, Olson-yes, Lamphere-yes, and Dunton-yes.

Unfinished Business/Old Business:

Steve Hartley was present and commented on the ongoing blight problem off of M-21, Barnes property, as a neighbor he is concerned about the value of his property. Officer Brinks was present to bring the board up to speed on this complaint. Barnes will need to be compliance by October 1, 2014.

Officer Brinks also mentioned another blight problem at 9228 Winslow Dr.

Officer Brinks asked the board if they could supply a dumpster for the roadside clean-up he will be supervising. Board approved a not to exceed of \$500.00 for a dumpster. Stuck made the motion to support and supply, Ziesman seconded. Passed: Yes-7, No-0

Officer Brinks will be holding a training to help educate bicyclists on being safe on the roads. The Township will support his effort by allowing a not to exceed \$500.00 so each participant may receive a bicycle helmet. Dunton made the motion, Olson seconded, Passed: Yes-7, No-0.

Supervisor's Notes:

Supervisor Dunton commented on the Blough Escrow account. A \$5000.00 amount is being held for five years, coming up in August of 2015. Prior to this, the approval by the engineer at Fleis and VandenBrink will be needed to okay the road before the Escrow amount would be refunded.

Supervisor Dunton mentioned that the Township received documents in regards to a local dentist who has filed Chapter 11 with reorganization. The dentist owes delinquent personal property taxes to the township.

Citizen's Comments:

- Meeting Adjourned at 8:28p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Van Prooyen - Clerk