

BEARINGER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
17034 Town Hall Highway  
Regular Meeting, June 11, 2012  
2<sup>nd</sup> Draft

The Township Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Shutes made a Motion to have Trustee Augustine take the minutes and Treasurer Phelps seconded the Motion. All Board members were in favor.

Board members present were Nancy Shutes, Clerk, Gale Phelps, Treasurer, Kay Dowker, Trustee and Pat Augustine, Trustee. Ted Slawinski, Supervisor was absent and Nancy Shutes was acting deputy.

The meeting was open to public comments on the Agenda and there were no comments from the public. Clerk Shutes made a Motion to have the Agenda approved, Treasurer Phelps seconded the Motion. All Board members were in favor so the Motion was passed.

Treasurer Phelps reported that the Ending Balance from April 1, 2012 to April 30, 2012 was as follows; Savings Account \$143,383.11; Checking Account was \$858.81; and the CD (Savings) \$102,382.01 for a total of \$246,623.93. The EMS Account is as follows; Beginning Balance; \$2,125.26, Total Transfers from Savings were \$125,000.00; withdrawal was -\$1,464.00 and Interest Earned was \$4.48. The ending Balance is \$109,665.65. Trustee Dowker made a Motion to accept the Consent Agenda and it was seconded by Trustee Augustine. All Board members were in favor and the Motion passed.

There was some correspondence presented by Clerk Shutes. "The Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service (MPAS) is the independent agency designated by the Governor of the State of Michigan to advocate and protect the legal rights of people with disabilities. The agency is mandated by the Help America Vote Act, (HAVA) 42 USC 15301 § 291 to ensure the full participation of individuals with disabilities in the electoral process. "The "Access for All" grant program opened last month and (grant closed May 31, 2011).

Clerk Shutes reviewed, with the Board, a communication received from Charter Communications and signed by Edward Kavanaugh, Sr. Manager, Government Relations in Alpena. Mr. Kavanaugh had sent a Metro Act Application, a copy of the proposed project that would utilize a portion of the Township Right of Way. He also included a permit fee check for \$500 for the Bearinger Township and asked for approval of the Permit by the Township Board. The permit was approved, signed and returned to Mr. Kavanaugh.

The Assessor, Trevor Most, reported he had completed one split and said there will be just ONE Board of Review on Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. at the Bearinger Township Hall. He further discussed the possibility of using BSN&A.net. This program incorporates arial photos of parcels by utilizing BING maps. Should he decide to make this change he may also need an Apex Software upgrade.

Trustee Dowker gave her report on the Onaway Area Ambulance Service from April 25, 2012. It was found that the State Audit was only needed every other year. Also the Board members are looking into Grants for radios. Their financial report and to pay bills was reported and supported by all members.

Trustee Dowker gave the Onaway Area Ambulance Service report from May 23, 2012. Again, the State confirmed that an audit every other year is appropriate. She reported that the Cheboygan ER is back open but because of a lack of communication most runs are going to Petoskey. Their Financial report was given by Dallas and the report was accepted by all Board members. The meeting was adjourned.

Trustee Augustine gave the Rogers City Area Ambulance Board minutes from the meeting held on April 11, 2012. The minutes and the treasurer's reports were approved by the Board.

Jim Fleury spoke with a woman from the IRS who requested a copy of the registration and title showing proof of ownership of the Ambulance and the exemption status has been resolved.

The Allied report was given and accepted and approved by the Board.

Jim reminded us of an upcoming medical first responder volunteer classes coming up and 15 people have expressed interest in joining. The classes will be held at the Rogers City High School.

George from Allied Ambulance Service, give the Board a copy of the 2012 budget.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a new truck. Jim had gotten a quote for a Ford van truck that is without the urea system. The Board made a \$14,000.00 deposit so they would hold the truck for 90 days.

A motion was made to pay the bills and the motion passed.

Big trash day is to held on Saturday, 16, 2012 and Pat volunteered to help. Doug Phelps, the Township Supervisor Ted Slawinski and Kay Downer's grandson, Toni, also spent part of the day helping as well.

The Hippo Craft Show will be held on July 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at the Bearinger Township Hall.

Mr. Malasky was curious about the one mil renewal requested by the Rogers City Ambulance Authority.

Bob Knight asked if the Bearinger Township Board would donate to the Onaway Fire works. The request was opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Augustine, Trustee  
Bearinger Township Board