

BEARINGER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

17034 Town Hall Highway
Regular Meeting, January 8, 2013
Corrected February 12, 2013

DATE: January 8, 2013 TIME: 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor Malaski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Deputy Clerk William Hiscock called the roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Malaski, Supervisor
Keitha Malaski, Treasurer
Absent- Pat Augustine, Clerk (at Presque Isle Zoning Board of Appeals)
Kay Dowker, Trustee
Archie Patterson, Trustee
Nancy Mowers, Deputy Treasurer
Bill Hiscock, Deputy Clerk sat in for clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA January 8, 2013. Kay Dowker, Trustee made a Motion to accept the Agenda and it was seconded by Keitha Malaski, Treasurer, the Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Approval of bills to be paid, payroll and mileage. Archie Patterson, Trustee made a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda and it was seconded by Kay Dowker, Trustee. The Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for December 10, 2012. A Motion was made by Kay Dowker, Trustee and seconded by John Malaski, the Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Onaway Assembly of God letter stated they would like chairs donated for use at a new food kitchen. John Malaski stated the Board cannot donate. ~~The chairs were purchased by Beverly Rossetto for \$20. with an additional \$10. donation by Grant Godsey and were then donated for use at the new food kitchen in Onaway.~~

REPORTS

Clerks Report –

The Standard Budget Report and the Check Register Reports were presented for December 2012.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer reported that the Ending Balance of the Township Savings Account, and for December 2012 was \$118,711.85, Ending balance for the CDs was \$103,393.39. Ending Balance for checking was \$6,270.37. Total for all accounts was \$320,710.39. A transfer of \$5000 was made to checking from Savings. Received thus far for taxes is \$260,000.

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OLD BUSINESS

Assessors Report: Mr. Most, the Assessor, did not attend this meeting.

Trustees Report: Kay Dowker, Trustee had no minutes from the Onaway Area Ambulance Board as the meeting was cancelled due to the snow storm on December 20, 2012.

Trustee Report: Archie Patterson, Trustee gave a brief report of the Rogers City Area Ambulance Board. Allied EMS was in the black for October. There were 83 calls and 68 transports in October and 65 calls with 47 transports in November. There was \$242,459.78 in the account. The Authority uses a different fuel supplier for the winter for a better winter fuel grade. The minutes for the December meeting will be published just before the next Authority Board meeting.

Supervisors Report: John Malaski had spoken to Lappan regarding Bonds. If the Trustee, Archie Patterson were to accept the duties of the Sexton the Board would have to have him bonded therefore the Clerk will continue with the duties of the Sexton.

- A. Archie Patterson would like to assist with the Sexton duties and will not be handling any money. Therefore, legally Pat will continue with the duties of the Sexton. A motion was made by Keitha Malaski, Treasurer and seconded by Kay Dowker to accept this as stated. The Motion carried.
- B. Archie Patterson, Trustee stated that we do not need the Pontum Payroll module for 7 employed individuals. Keitha Malaski, Treasurer stated that there are other programs less expensive and more cost effective. John Malaski agreed that the Pontum module was not cost effective. This issue will be postponed until Kay Downer and Archie Patterson have more information.
- C. A Motion was made to allow Beverly Rossetto give \$20. for the chairs and \$10. from Grant Godsey for a total of \$30. and the chairs then will be donated by Beverly and Grant to the Onaway Assembly of God Church for their food bank and kitchen and it was seconded by Kay Dowker. Keitha Malaski, Treasurer to give a receipt to both Beverly Rossetto and Grant Godsey.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. The Board of Review members Hank Filipowski and Doug Phelps, Irv Dedow, Tom Harkelroad alternate and alternate Beverly Rossetto need to attend training. Keitha Malaski, Treasurer made a Motion to accept and Kay Dowker, Trustee seconded the Motion. The Motion carried.
- B. Doug Phelps, ~~and~~ Hank Filipowski, [Beverly Rossetto](#), and [Tom Hackleroad](#) will attend the 2013 March BOR Class in West Branch on February 8. John Malaski and Irv Dedow will attend the 2013 Board of Review Training on February 7, 2013 in St. Ignace ~~Ignacio~~. A Motion was made by John Malaski and seconded by Keitha Malaski, Treasurer. [The Board](#) to pay for the classes. Kay took the Roll call, all in favor and the Motion carried.

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- C. The State of Michigan requires us to adopt the Poverty Guidelines for 2012 via their Bulletin Number 5. A Motion was made by Archie Patterson, Trustee and seconded by Keitha Malaski, Treasurer to accept the Guidelines. All were in favor and the Motion carried.
- D. Grant Godsey requested a \$25. a month increase in his salary which equals \$175, which would include 6 additional cleanings of the Township Hall. The contract to include all scheduled meetings and functions. Kay Dowker made a Motion to approve the contract as amended and it was seconded by Keitha Malaski and Grant initialed the change
- E. John Malaski met with Mr. Timothy MacArthur, Atty. [Mr. MacArthur](#) He offered him a retainer of \$750 for 5 hours. The agreement would begin on January 13, 2013 and go to April 1, 2014. Keitha Malaski, Treasurer made a Motion and it was seconded by Kay Dowker to accept the agreement. [Archie Patterson made a motion to amend the motion that only the Supervisor can contact the attorney unless otherwise approved by the board. Motion seconded by Kay Dowker. All in favor and amendment was adopted.](#) All in favor and the Motion carried.
- F. [A motion by John Malaski was made to have Archie Patterson, Trustee recycle the old computer in the back room. Motion seconded by Keitha Malaski. Motion carried. Archie Patterson stated the drive has no data but he would wipe out information on the old computer and recycle them.](#)”
- G. Archie Patterson, Trustee will be the liaison to the Web site. A Motion was made by John Malaski and seconded by Keitha Malaski, Treasurer. All in favor and the Motion carried.
- H. The Ocqueoc/Bearinger Fire Department Contract Agreement was reviewed. John Malaski and Archie Patterson made a Motion to accept the contract. All in favor and the Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

It was suggested that the Board send a copy of the Agenda to Mr. MacArthur.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS AND APPROVE CHECKS

The bills and checks were initialed and approved for payment.

ADJOURNMENT: A Motion was made by Kay Dowker, Trustee and seconded by Keitha Malaski, Treasurer to adjourn the meeting. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on February 12, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kay Dowker, Trustee
on behalf of Patricia M. Augustine, Clerk*

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