

BEARINGER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
17034 Town Hall Highway
Millersburg, Michigan
September 9, 2014

Supervisor J.G. Malaski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Present for the meeting were Board Members, Trustees Kay Dowker and Archie J. Patterson II, Treasurer Keitha Malaski, Supervisor John G. Malaski and Clerk Beverly Rossetto. Property Owners and guests in attendance were Bob Hartmann, Irv Dedow, Nancy Shutes, Jim McKindles, Doug Phelps, Barb Knight, Mike Smith, Bill and Barb Davis, David Bell and Doris Parker.

Approval of Agenda: Trustee Patterson requested that discussion to purchase ten (10) six foot U posts for the cemetery be added to the agenda. Keitha Malaski made a motion to approve the agenda with the requested item. Kay Dowker seconded the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Kay Dowker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and pay the bills. The motion was supported by Archie Patterson. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: After review of the August 12, 2014 regular board meeting minutes, Keitha Malaski made a motion to approve the minutes, Kay Dowker supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Correspondence: Clerk Rossetto received correspondence from: Montmorency and Presque Isle County Home Improvement Program regarding home improvement for low income families, Presque Isle County Officers Association regarding the quarterly meeting and Suburban Propane emergency service numbers.

Audit 2013/2014: J.W. Kieliszewski, CPA went over the financial statements for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014. He explained in detail the various parts of the audit and answered questions from the audience regarding depreciations, cash on hand, the lowering of property taxes and gave a government website where the Bearinger Township audit can be viewed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Malaski reported that the summer taxes are coming in at a really heavy pace. The financial report for August 2014 was presented; the August balance of each account follows:

1. General Fund - Savings Account	\$177,602.04
2. General Fund – Checking Account	4,009.22
3. CD (Savings) Account	104,506.68
4. EMS Money Market Account	<u>39,397.76</u>
Total (All Accounts)	\$325,515.70

Clerk's Report: Clerk Rossetto reported that copies of the August 2014 Check Register, Balance Sheet and the Standard Budget Report ending August 31, 2014 are available. The F- 65 and L4029 tax forms are being prepared for mailing mid-September.

Assessor's Report: Supervisor Malaski read the Assessor's September Report. Mr. Most will be meeting with other township Assessor's this week for the completion of the AMAR audit.

Trustee's Report: Archie J. Patterson II, the Roger City Ambulance Authority did not have an August meeting.

Kay Dowker gave the Onaway Area Ambulance Service report for the August 27, 2014 meeting. A new ambulance will be purchased for the sum of \$133,619.00 and another Stryker Power Cot will be purchased for \$7,000.00. The addition to the crew quarters plan will be draw up by Jerry Adair and will include a new furnace and air conditioner.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Malaski reported that he has been working with Assessor Most preparing information for AMAR audit.

Old Business: Public Policy & Procedure for Public Inspection & Copying of Public Records.

Clerk Rossetto read the Bearinger Township Resolution #007 – 2014 regarding Michigan's Freedom of Information Act. This resolution was offered by Archie J. Patterson II and supported by Keitha Malaski. Voting Aye were Archie J. Patterson II, Kay Dowker, Beverly Rossetto, Keitha Malaski and John G. Malaski. Voting No, none. Supervisor John G. Malaski declared the resolution adopted September 9, 2014.

New Business: A. Hazard Mitigation Resolution. Clerk Rossetto read the Bearinger Township Resolution #008 – 2014. After discussion of the resolution and rewording that Bearinger Township does not adopt but will support the Presque Isle County Hazard Mitigation Plan, the resolution was offered by Kay Dowker and supported by Keitha Malaski. Voting Aye were Kay Dowker, Keitha Malaski, Archie J. Patterson II, John G. Malaski and Beverly Rossetto. Voting No, none. Supervisor John G. Malaski declared the resolution adopted September 9, 2014.

B. David & Donna Bell, Lot Split. After review of the lot split application, map of lots and correspondence from Assessor Trevor Most recommending approval of the lot split. Motion was made by Keitha Malaski to approve the lot split; John G. Malaski supported the motion. Roll call vote: Kay Dowker - yes, Keitha Malaski – yes, Archie Patterson – yes, John Malaski – yes and Beverly Rossetto – yes. Lot split approved.

C. Road Committee. Bob Hartmann stated that the Road Committee met September 8, 2014 to discuss the paving/repairs to the Bluffs Highway area. Irv Dedow gave an outline of what has to be done. First step is to meet with the County Road Engineer and walk roads for all possible solutions, second develop the cost, present facts to land owners, circulate a petition and hold Public Meetings.

D. U Poles for Cemetery. Trustee Patterson stated that the Cemetery has been surveyed and he would like to replace the wooden stakes with metal six foot U poles. Keitha Malaski made a motion to allow up to sixty dollars (\$60.00) for the poles, Kay Dowker seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Kay Dowker – yes, Keitha Malaski – yes, John Malaski – yes, Archie Patterson – yes and Beverly Rossetto – yes. Motion carried.

Public Comment Nancy Shutes stated that money should not have been moved from the General Fund for the cemetery survey and that the minutes should have the chart of accounts numbers for transfers.

Irv Dedow requested that the township board pass a resolution and send it to the Presque Isle County Commissioners against the new zoning plan regarding Home Occupations. Presque Isle County will have a Public Hearing, September 18, 2014 regarding this zoning change.

Jim McKindles does not want any tax monies used for the Bluffs Highway project.

Being no further comments, Kay Dowker made a motion to adjourn; Keitha Malaski supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next regular Township Board meeting will be held, Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by,

Beverly Rossetto

Beverly Rossetto, Bearinger Township Clerk