

BEARINGER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
17034 Town Hall Highway Millersburg, Michigan
Corrected July 10, 2018 Minutes

Supervisor Patterson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Present for the meeting were Board Members Supervisor Archie J. Patterson II, Clerk Beverly Rossetto, Treasurer Emilie Stawiarski and Trustees Duane Walker and Patricia Frost. Others in attendance were Irv Dedow and Probate Judge Candidate Eric Stone.

Approval of Agenda: Emilie Stawiarski made a motion to approve the meeting agenda, Duane Walker supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Guest Speaker: Supervisor Patterson introduced Probate Judge Candidate Eric Stone. Mr. Stone spoke about his background, education, career and professional achievements. With over twenty years as an attorney with courtroom experience he feels he is the best choice to serve the community with good, legal and balanced decision if elected Probate Judge of Presque Isle County. Supervisor Patterson thanked Mr. Stone for attending the township meeting.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion made by Duane Walker to approve the Consent Agenda and pay the bills for the month of June 2018, Emilie Stawiarski supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

June 12, 2018 Minutes: Supervisor Patterson inquired if everyone had reviewed the minutes. Being no corrections Emilie Stawiarski made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Patricia Frost supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Stawiarski gave an activity report of the June 2018 financial statement. Fund balances ending June 30, 2018 were:

1.	General Fund Savings Account	\$151,834.27
2.	General Fund Checking Account	376.07
3.	CD (Savings) Account	135,213.03
4.	Township Building Fund	<u>30,068.18</u>
	Total (All Accounts)	\$317,491.55

Treasurer Stawiarski reported that she is now on the BS&A software system. To date \$76,000.00 of 2018 summer taxes has been collected. There was a discussion regarding the Building Fund being invested to earn a better interest rate. Supervisor Patterson made a motion to seek information to change the Building Fund to a Certificate of Deposit or other investments, Duane Walker supported the motion. Five aye votes, motion carried.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Rossetto stated that the June 10, 2018 minutes, the financial statement, balance sheet, check register and standard budget ending June 30, 2018 are available. An Ad for the July 17, 2018 Board of Review meeting will appear in the Presque Isle Advance Newspaper, July 12, 2018. The new election equipment will be delivered July 17, 2018 and all Bearinger Township election inspectors will attend training and be certified for two years. As of today, thirty absentee ballots have been issued for the August 7, 2018 Primary Election. If anyone needs an absentee ballot they should contact the Township Clerk.

Trustee's Report: Trustee Walker gave a summary of the Onaway Area Ambulance Service meeting held June 27, 2018. Trustee Walker turned the Oqueoc/Bearinger Fire Department

enrollment applications for Onaway Arear Ambulance membership over to Dallas Hyde. The Insurance proposal from Lind and Lind was not acted on. Par Plan grants were discussed. The annual audit is under way and a motion was passed that Dave Webster can sign the audit authorization request. Motion was passed that Dave Webster will act as the authorized OAAS manager to interact with Citizen's National Bank. The August 2018 OAAS meeting was rescheduled for August 29, 2018.

Trustee Frost suggested that we seek a Par Plan grant for a bike trail through Bearinger Township.

Assessor's Report: No Assessor's report.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Patterson gave a summary of the Rogers City Area Ambulance Service Authority. The living quarter's extension has been completed and construction of the ambulance building extension is underway. A summary of April & May 2018 runs was given, many of the non-transport runs are calls for lift assist only. Trustee Frost stated that 911 could be dialed for a lift assist.

Ocqueoc/Bearinger Fire Department meeting was held July 5, 2018. Supervisor Patterson gave a detailed report of the Fire Department expenses for May and June 2018. There were twelve medical runs, four fire runs and one accident run.

Bearinger Township Board of Review meeting will be held July 17, 2018 at 5:30 pm.

Big Trash Day will be held July 21, 2018 from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.

Supervisor Patterson attended a presentation by FEMA on their project to map flood zone areas in the county. Pictures of Lake Huron shoreline in Presque Isle County were posted. FEMA expects the project to be completed in three to five years.

Correspondence: Supervisor Patterson received correspondence from FEMA.

Clerk Rossetto received correspondence from: 1. Michigan Township Association Membership. 2. Bright House Privacy Policy. 3. LARA Electrical Building Codes. 4. PAC requesting a donation. 5. Par Plan News Booklet. 6. DEQ regarding Alverno Dam repair. 7. All correspondence from Trustee Frost regarding Presque Isle County Road Commission and road repairs.

The Treasurer and Trustees had no correspondence.

Irv Dedow stated that the Alverno Dam repair has an effect on all the northern inland waterways.

Old Business: A. Cemetery Ordinance: Supervisor Patterson inquired if the board members had reviewed the Cemetery Ordinance, Trustee Frost had questions concerning silk/plastic flowers and live plants. Treasurer Stawiarski had questions regarding the size of monuments. After a lengthy discussion regarding the Cemetery Ordinance, motion was made by Supervisor Patterson to finalize the ordinance with suggested changes and take it to the attorney for review. Motion was supported by Clerk Rossetto. Five yes votes, motion carried.

B. Master Plan review: After a lengthy discussion in regards to when, why and how Bearinger Township Master Plan should be reviewed, Treasurer Stawiarski made a motion to table any discussion of the Master Plan until our next meeting. Supervisor Patterson supported the motion and Treasurer Stawiarski and Trustee Frost will check with the Presque Isle County Planning Commission. Five yes votes, motion carried

New Business: Website upgrade to Mobile Ready: Supervisor Patterson stated that we don't need to upgrade to Mobile ready, all board members agreed with him.

Public Comment: Irv Dedow commented about soil erosion in our area and the damage that has been done to wet-lands.

Emilie Stawiarski stated that the \$2.00 BS&A fee for property tax search will be picked-up by the county for one year and will be reviewed again at that time.

Being no further comments, Emilie Stawiarski made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion supported by Patricia Frost. Five aye votes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Next regular Township Board meeting will be held, Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 6:30pm.

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by,

Beverly Rossetto, Township Clerk