

BENZONIA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 8, 2009

Unapproved Minutes

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Sheets at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Sheets, Mead, Burns, Delonnay, Rice.
Absent: None.
Staff: Hanmer, Fernelius.
Guests: 1 guest in attendance.

Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Burns to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Delonnay. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Burns to approve the minutes for the June 10, 2009 Regular Meeting, and Special Meeting of June 23, 2009 as presented. Supported by Rice. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer presented a financial report for the month of June from the General and Fire Funds. (Copy of report attached to minutes in the Record Book)

Motion by Mead to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of June as presented. Supported by Burns. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

(A) Approval of bills
Discussion.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of June from the General Fund in the amount of \$32,878.59.
Vouchers #19728 thru #19777.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of June from the Fire Fund in the amount of \$22,842.76.
Vouchers #6505 thru #6544.

Clerk presented bills for the month of July.

Clerk presented to the board for their review, an end of the month Trial Balance.

Motion by Delonnay that bills be allowed as presented by the Clerk. Supported by Rice. Roll Call Vote: Sheets, yes. Rice, yes. Burns, yes. Delonnay, yes. Mead, yes. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Supervisor updated the board on several items.

STAFF REPORTS:

(A)	<u>Fire Chief:</u>	Reported for the month of June. 5 fire runs; 18 medical runs. Chief updated the board on several items.
(B)	<u>Cemetery Sexton:</u>	Report received.
(C)	<u>Township Attorney:</u>	No report/
(D)	<u>Commissioner Report:</u>	Reported on several County issues.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Bennett-Barz Funeral Home – Thank you note.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

None.

PENDING BUSINESS:

(A) Committee reports were received.

Building & Grounds:

Discussed advertising for a cleaning service. ***Clerk will send notice to cleaning person that the board will be taking bids for cleaning services.**

Finance:

Board concurred to have the Clerk advertise for the Truth In Taxation Hearing to be held at the August meeting.

Discussed the partial burial fee of \$50 going toward maintenance purposes.

Motion by Mead to do away with deducting \$50 from the burial fee, as of this date, and that the burial fee shall belong to the Cemetery Sexton. Supported by Burns. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: Mead, yes. Burns, yes. Sheets, yes. Delonay, yes. Rice, yes. Motion carried.

Park:

Motion by Delonay to contribute \$1500 toward the parking lot at the park, hoping to recoup after the sale of the black dirt. Supported by Mead. Roll Call Vote: Mead, yes. Delonay, yes. Sheets, yes. Rice, yes. Burns, yes. Motion carried.

Clerk reported on information from the Insurance Co. about guidelines for Municipal Parks. ***Supervisor directed this to the Park**

Committee for their review.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Sheets that Benzonia Township pledges \$50 to investigate the Broadband Wireless Service. Supported by Delonay. Roll Call Vote: Sheets, yes. Mead, yes. Burns, yes. Rice, yes. Delonay, yes. Motion carried.

Michigan Assessing Service – Bid:

Motion by Delonay to accept the bid from Michigan Assessing Service for reassessing the township at a cost of \$60,800.00. Supported by Rice. Roll Call Vote: Delonay, yes. Burns, yes. Rice, yes. Mead, yes. Sheets, yes. Motion carried.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

The full proceedings of these minutes are on tape in the Clerk's office for thirty days after approval of them.

Submitted by:

Judy Herban
Recording Secretary

Patricia A. Mead
Township Clerk

