

BENZONIA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2010

Unapproved Minutes

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

Present: Sheets, Mead, Burns, Delonny, Rice.
Absent: None.
Staff: Hanmer, Fernelius.
Guests: 2 guests in attendance.

Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Motion by Burns to approve the minutes for the Regular (Rescheduled) Meeting of December 10, 2009, and Special Meeting of January 6, 2010 as presented. Supported by Rice. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer presented a financial report for the month of December 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 December as presented. Supported by Delonny. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

(A) Approval of bills
Discussion.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of December from the General Fund in the amount of \$11,007.11. Vouchers #120055 thru #120087.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of December from the Fire Fund in the amount of \$5,010.10. Vouchers #6635 thru # 6673.

Clerk presented bills for the month of January.

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

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

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Supervisor updated the board on several items.

Skating Rink Contribution:

Motion by Burns that we do the same as we did last year, and pay \$1,000 in January, and another \$1,000 the end of February, if the weather is still holding. Supported by Rice. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: Rice, no. Delonny, no. Burns, no. Mead, no. Sheets, yes. Motion denied.

Motion by Delonny that we ask the Village of Benzonia for an accounting of how much it costs for the skating rink. Supported by Mead. Discussion. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried

Motion by Delonny to accept the Supervisor's recommendation for the Board of Review to appoint Sally Miner, Hazel Heyn, Marc Rosseels, and alternate member Doug Joy Jr. Supported by Burns. Roll Call Vote: Mead, yes. Delonny, yes. Burns, yes. Rice, yes. Sheets, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Delonnay to set a per diem rate of \$35 for a Planning & Zoning Commission. Supported by Burns. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: Burns, yes. Mead, yes. Sheets, yes. Rice, yes. Delonnay, yes. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

(A) Fire Chief: Reported for the month of December:
12 fire runs; 34 medical runs

2009 Year End Report:
84 fire runs; 268 medical runs

2008 Year End Report:
75 fire runs; 224 medical runs

Chief presented a quote for a new washer & Dryer – Frididaire from Les Carnes - \$1800 including 2 risers.

Motion by Delonnay that the Fire Chief be authorized to order a washer & dryer at the \$1800 price with risers. Supported by Mead. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: Delonnay, yes. Mead, yes. Burns, yes. Rice, yes. Sheets, yes. Motion carried.

(B) Cemetery Sexton: Report received.
(C) Township Attorney: No report.
(D) Commissioner Report: Report received on County issues.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

None.

PENDING BUSINESS:

(A) Committee reports were received.

Finance – Ad for Old Fire Truck – Mead Reported:

Motion d that we accept the bid of \$500 from Geoff Miner for the 83 Ford firetruck. Supported by Burns. Discussion. Roll Call Vote: Mead, yes. Sheets, yes. Rice, yes. Delonnay, yes. Burns, yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:35 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

Patricia A. Mead

Recording Secretary

Township Clerk