

BENZONIA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2010

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: 6 guests 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 Rice to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2010, and Special Meetings of September 22, & October 4, 2010 as presented. Supported by Burns. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

CLERK'S REPORT

(A) Approval of bills
Discussion.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of September from the General Fund in the amount of \$14,964.82. Vouchers #120478 thru #120512.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of September from the Fire Fund in the amount of \$4,154.67. Vouchers #6859 thru # 6889.

Clerk presented bills for the month of October.

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: Sheets, yes. Rice, yes. Delonnay, yes. Burns, yes. Mead, yes. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Supervisor updated the board on several items.

Reported on a request from Sonny Wilcox for a permit to run his ATV from his home to his wooded property on Platte Rd. Discussion.

Motion by Rice to allow Mr. Wilcox to use Platte Rd. to cross his property from one side to the other on his ATV. Supported by Mead. Discussion. Rice amended the motion to include pending discussion with the proper authorities. Supported by Mead. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

(A) Fire Chief:

Reported for the month of September:
8 fire runs; 21 medical runs.

Chief updated the board on several items.

Chief reported the need for new tires on the #1 & #2 engines. Geoff received bids from 2 places in Traverse City – 1 for a cost of \$2600 , and 1 for \$1952. Discussion.

Motion by Delonnay that the Chief orders the tires at a price of \$1952. Supported by Burns. Roll Call Vote: Burns, yes. Mead, yes. Rice, yes. Sheets, yes. Delonnay, yes. Motion carried.

- (B) Cemetery Sexton: Report received. Will be winterizing – shutting off water on Friday.
- (C) Township Attorney: Supervisor reported on issues the attorney is working on - language for SAAD & Joint Planning Commission work.
- (D) Commissioner Report: Updated the board on county issues and their work on the budget.
- (E) Zoning Administrator Report: Written report received. Neiger updated the Board on several issues.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:

A representative from the Maples addressed the board regarding the language on their 2 proposals on the ballot.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

None.

PENDING BUSINESS:

- (A) Committee reports were received.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

Clerk reported on the amount of ballots already received, and the set up for the election in the Fire Hall.

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