

*Meeting of the Brevort Township Board*

*July 18, 2016 6:00 PM*

*Minutes*

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Board Members Present: Supervisor Serwach, Treasurer Litzner, Clerk Bird, Trustee Wallace, and Trustee Erskine

Public Present: Alyse Bird, Hillary Kleeman-Vowell, Darren & Kasey Anderson, Steve Bird, Mark Peterson, Dave Craig, Doug Noble, Warren Smith, Brian Olson, Dirk Heckman, Ron Peterka, Dirk Heckman, Mike Wilk, Tabatha & Billy Orr

Meeting called to order: 5:50 PM by Supervisor Serwach.

Minutes read by Clerk Bird. Motion to approve the minutes made by Trustee Erskine, Second by Trustee Wallace.

Supervisor Serwach asked Police Chief Mark Wilk to provide his presentation regarding the purchase of a new ambulance to the board before the meeting resumed at normal order.

Chief Wilk shared that the Ambulance Committee would like to purchase a new ambulance. Two ambulances will be traded in to reduce the cost of the new truck. The trades in are worth \$8,000.00 together. Three banks were contacted in regards to financing options. Payments for the new truck would begin in 2017. Discussion included: Treasurer Litzner share that the township's ambulance fund does not currently support this purchase. The township has an option of participating with a 3-year payment plan. Supervisor Serwach asked Chief Wilk if he will return to the August board meeting where the board will make their final decision.

Treasurer Litzner provided the treasurer's report. A motion to approve his report was made by Trustee Wallace, Second by Trustee Erskine.

Bills were read by Clerk Bird. Supervisor Serwach explained that the reimbursement for himself was because he paid Bigelow out of pocket before his township check could be cut from the Sewer Fund. Treasurer Litzner asked a question regarding the bill for Wilkinson for Sodium Chloride to LaVake Rd. as the topic of applying Sodium Chloride to township roads was previously discussed and decided against due to the delivery requirement by the company and the townships low amount gravel roads. A motion was made by Treasurer Litzner to pay the bills with the exception of the Wilkinson bill pending the later discussion by the board. Trustee Wallace seconded.

Supervisor Serwach shared that Mark Butkovich would like to be considered as an alternate for the Board of Review. The board approved Mark's request with the understanding that he will only be an alternate for Judith Butkovich as sitting on the board together would be a conflict. Motion made by Treasurer Litzner, Seconded by Trustee Wallace.

Alyse Bird presented the township with \$277.65 as a donation for the Susan Stelzer Memorial Playground from a bake sale that she and her sister hosted.

Hillary Kleeman-Vowell, Candidate for Mackinac County Clerk provide the board and meeting attendees with a brief introduction regarding her campaign for clerk. Mrs. Kleeman-Vowell has worked for the County Clerk for 15 years.

Treasurer Litzner shared that Mike Casper is seeking the DUN's number. Supervisor Serwach will follow up.

Supervisor Serwach shared that he received a call from a resident on LaVake road concerning the amount of dust. She shared that it was causing health issues for her children. Supervisor Serwach called Wilkinson and inquired about a Sodium Chloride delivery. They had a truck in the area and completed the job. Supervisor Serwach also shared that he and Clerk Bird have received several concerns from residents regarding the condition of Black point road. Supervisor Serwach invited Mr. Heckman to join the board at the front of the room to discuss the matter with the board and the public attendees.

Clerk Bird shared that she requested the Sodium Chloride bids from the Mackinac County Road Commission and dispersed them to the board members. She also shared that it appears Black Point road will need around 3,000 gallons of Sodium Chloride. Wilkinson seems to have the best price for that amount.

Public comment: The chatter bumps are of the upmost concern for some residents on Black Point with dust being a close second. Mr. Smith shared his concern regarding the counties responsibility to road maintenance and suggested the county consider use chip seal.

Mr. Heckman shared that repairing holes is routine maintence, the condition of Black Point Road was beyond hole repair. Mr. Heckman also mentioned that each year additional federal road funding becomes available and is shared that the road commissions annual meeting.

Treasurer Litzner asked Mr. Heckman if we can meet in September to develop a 5-year plan. Mr. Heckman agreed.

Treasurer Litzner suggested that we provide sodium chloride to the following roads: Brevort Lake, Wiartella, Black Point, Apple Lane, Langdon, and John Martin. Mr. Heckman shared that the county will blade the roads before the Sodium Chloride is applied to assist in its effectiveness.

Supervisor Serwach will request the sodium chloride services from Wilkinson. Treasurer Litzner motioned to approve the Sodium Chloride purchase for up to \$3000.00. Trustee Wallace seconded.

Darrin Anderson introduced himself. He is the owner of Black Point camp, where he plans to grow the business.

