

Meeting of the Brevort Township Board

May 9, 2016

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:03 PM by Supervisor Serwach.

Board Members present: Supervisor Serwach, Treasurer Litzner, Deputy Clerk Orr, Trustee Wallace and Trustee Erskine; Absent: Clerk Bird

Also present: Fire Chief Mark Peterson, Bill Orr, Judi Butkovich, Lori Johnston, Erick Doerr, Charlie Brown, and Ken Talsma

Reading of the Minutes from the April 11, 2016 Brevort Township Board meeting were read by Deputy Clerk Orr. Motion to accept the minutes made by Trustee Erksine, Seconded by Trustee Wallace.

Treasurer's Report was read by Treasurer Litzner as attached. Motion to approve by Trustee Erskine, seconded by Trustee Wallace.

Bills against the township were read. A motion to pay the bills was made by Trustee Erskine and seconded by Treasurer Litzner.

Supervisor Serwach requested a closed meeting at 6:06 pm with present board members, Charlie Brown, and Ken Talsma. Mr. Brown presented information to the board regarding the current lawsuit between Allied EMS Systems VS Brevort Township for past service fees totaling: 12,191.84. Closed meeting ended at 6:15 pm.

A motion to pay the amount requested by Allied EMS was made by Treasurer Litzner, Seconded by Trustee Erskine. Motion passed.

Lori Johnston, Candidate for Mackinac County Clerk introduced herself to the board. Judi Butkovich presented herself as candidate for Brevort Township Trustee. Bill Orr introduced himself to the board as a candidate for Brevort Township Trustee. Tabatha Orr introduced herself as a candidate for Brevort Township Treasurer.

Supervisor Serwach reported that used pumps for the sewer system were located in Marquette. The cost is \$1,875.00 per pump with a 2-year warranty. Two staff members will travel over to check them out.

Fire Chief Peterson reported that Dirk Heckman wants to know about potential work on Black Point Rd. and Wiartella Road.

Treasurer Litzner mentioned to the board that they will need to know what match money will be used for by June 1, 2016.

Fire Chief Peterson reported that the cascade system has been set up, lockers are being used. He extended an invitation to the board to look at them after the meeting.

Bill Orr reported that he submitted a Fire Department grant application for Self-contained breathing apparatus.

Treasurer Litzner asked if the board can check into FEMA participation status. Supervisor Serwach will look into it. Mike Kasper might have information (Flood Zones).

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm with a motion from Trustee Wallace, Second by Treasurer Litzner.

A request to re-open the meeting was made at 6:36 pm to discuss the board's decision on match funds for the Road Commission.

The board suggested using match funds for shoulder gravel on new roads, brushing primary roads, Durapatch on Knowles rd. to preserve \$30,000.00 to use for Match. Motion to support this suggestion was made by Trustee Wallace, second by Treasurer Litzner.

Fire Chief Mark Peterson requested from the board a funding approval for the Red Rack Freestanding Gear Racks, a Breathing Air Compressor, Cascade System and single Fill Station be purchased from the Fire Account. The board discussed the request. The request is viewed as a necessity. Mr. Peterson will make the purchase. A motion to approve the purchase was made by Supervisor Serwach, Seconded by Treasurer Litzner.

Supervisor Serwach shared that in future years the sewer system will need repairs as it grows older. Serwach also shared that he is looking into a Clerk's program through BS&A for Clerk Bird to use to compete her responsibilities.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm with a motion from Treasurer Litzner and a second from Trustee Erskine.