

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 15, 2010

Big Creek Twp. Hall

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Booth at 7:00 P.M. Present: Board members James Booth, Judy Berney, Susan Avery, Janis Sanderson, and Marian Buchanan. Thirty-five citizens, one late arrival (7:31 P.M.) also attended with two attendees leaving at 7:05 P.M.

**The minutes** of May 18, 2010 Regular Mtg. were reviewed. Buchanan moved, seconded by Sanderson, to approve minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion Passed.

**Township bills** were presented in the amount \$25,753.19 including two additions of fireworks insurance \$254.81 and Oscoda County Treasurer \$153.92. Buchanan moved, seconded by Sanderson to pay bills as presented. All ayes. Motion Passed.

**Treasurer's Report** was reviewed and accepted. Savings \$107,157.06, Checking \$2,462.89, Cemetery Fund \$4,640.83, Fire Fund \$31,511.64, Parks Fund \$328.98, and Road Fund \$63,287.32. Total balance \$209,388.72.

**Fire Report:** Assn't Fire Chief gave report. Four firemen applications were presented to the board for approval. Zachary Pillars, Dylan Stefani, Nancy Mantz, and Adam Alburg. Buchanan moved, seconded by Sanderson to conditionally approve Zachary Pillars to the fire department on a probation basis until certification is completed. All Ayes. Motion Passed. Avery moved, seconded by Berney to conditionally approve Dylan Stefan to the fire department on a probation basis until certification is completed. All Ayes. Motion Passed. Berney moved, seconded by Sanderson to conditionally approve Nancy Mantz to the fire department on a probation basis until certification is completed. All Ayes. Motion Passed. Board tabled Adam Alburg at this time.

DNR Cooperative Mutual Aid Fire Control Agreement was presented to board for signature.

Berney moved, seconded by Sanderson to allow Supervisor to sign agreement. All Ayes. Motion Passed. There was discussion on the fire department working with the ambulance director on dedicating a truck as first responder. Discussion on pay for the applicants who helped on the Meridian fire but were not approved by board to be on the department at that time. Buchanan moved, seconded by Sanderson to pay the applicants for the Meridian fire. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

**Assessor Report:** Assessor approved one land division and completed form 4626 with the state.

**Old Business:** NONE

**New Business: Resolution #2010-04** for fireworks sponsored by Chamber of Commerce for Oscoda County. Buchanan moved, seconded by Sanderson to adopt Resolution #2010-04 for Fireworks. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Booth, Avery, Berney, Sanderson, Buchanan. Nays: 0 Resolution Adopted. A complete copy of resolution is available in clerk's office. **Resolution #2010-05** for fireworks sponsored by Luzerne Fire Department. Avery moved, seconded by Sanderson to adopt Resolution #2010-05 for Fireworks. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Sanderson, Avery, Booth, Berney, Buchanan Nays: 0 Resolution Adopted. A complete copy of resolution is available in clerk's office.

Discussion on invoice from Michigan Township Association for annual dues. Buchanan moved, seconded by Berney not to renew MTA membership for this year. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Discussion on the township being responsible for the cemetery property and that they should be in control of the foundations for monuments. Consensus of board was to provide a spec sheet on foundation sizes and advertise for bids. Buchanan moved, seconded by Avery to put cemetery monument foundations out for bid. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Discussion opened to public for comments on the transfer site. Transfer Site committee had a proposal from Chris McGregor to be presented to the board. There were three options: (1) raise bag fee 25 cents to be paid to township (2) raise bag fee 50 cents to be paid to township (3) for

operation to remain the same. There were many concerns about subsidizing private business, going to other sites, putting out for bids, trash being dumped everywhere, why make a change,etc.

**Public Comment:** A comment was made about sink hole behind the township hall where stumps were buried when hall was constructed. Also regarding topsoil being removed on McGregor property.

**Board Comment:** NONE

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Judy Berney  
Big Creek Township Clerk