

**BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
July 16, 2013
BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL**

Meeting called to order 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Booth, Mundt, Avery, Mitchell. **OTHERS PRESENT:** Fire Chief Roddy, Commissioner Kischnick, Paul Olsen (Municipal Underwriters), 9 members of the public.

Absent: Palmer

MINUTES: Avery/Booth to accept minutes as read. All ayes. Motion carried.

LIST OF BILLS:

Additional Invoices:	James Booth	\$150.63	
	Highland Lumber	65.47	
	Lines & Designs	250.00	
	Frontier	47.71	
	Oscoda Co. Herald	236.64	
	Accident Fund	4051.00	
	Rhonda Mundt	23.24	
	Total additional:	\$4824.69	
	Grand total of Bills:		\$28,595.27

Mundt/Avery to pay bills as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: 2 month report because of Treasurer absence in June.

Fund Balances: General Fund - \$171,392.12; Cemetery - \$14,207.47; Park - \$67,775.90; Roads - \$169,791.46; Fire Millage - \$143,567.19; Luzerne Fire - \$59,838.71.

FIRE REPORT: Garage door twisted and broke; it was repaired for \$379.96. New doors cost \$1413 per door. Request a bill for work completed; get some quotes for a commercial door.

Avery/ Mitchell If the vendor can't wait for the repair money until after the next meeting when we make the final decision on purchasing new doors, we should pay the bill. 3 Ayes, 1 Nay. Motion carried.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: July Bd. Of Review tonight; covered Homestead exemption applications and poverty exemption applications.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Sewer Authority: Mitchell reported the sewer authority is considering tar & chip on drive off S. River Rd. to facilitate trucks getting out during the winter.

Paul Olsen, Municipal Underwriters of Mich. presented the new insurance policy. Discussed reason for increase in Workmen's Comp. invoice. Fire Fighter premium usually goes up, other categories stay the

same. Merit modification (a factor on the invoice) is based on number of claims. Cemetery coverage is very broad. If a mistake is made the insurance company will pay to move remains to the proper lot; will pay vandalism and theft claims; insure for personnel issues and public official wrongful acts. Fire Dept. premium went up \$800 due to the new tanker. Old tanker still on policy; it will be removed and a new invoice sent.

OLD BUSINESS:

Luzerne Fire Chief –the Chief highly recommended McNamara be promoted to Asst. Chief; he is attempting to locate classes for fire dept. members.

Mitchell/Avery to promote McNamara as Asst. Chief of Luzerne Fire Dept. All ayes. Motion carried.

Kathy Mitchell discussed the placement of a cemetery headstone on the foot of a grave. Check w/Dave Lashley, find out who approved stone on foot of other grave in that lot.

NEW BUSINESS:

Changing time of meeting – Consider changing meeting time to 5 pm rather than 7 pm, 3rd Tuesday.

Mitchell not interested in making the change. Will leave meeting time as it is.

New vacuum – **Avery/Mitchell to allow Mundt to purchase vacuum up to \$150.** All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Town hall is being put up for bid; Statewide listing has expired. We can put a reserve amount on the bid. Advertise in more than Oscoda Herald for 5 or 6 weeks.

Mitchell/Mundt That we offer the old Twp. Hall for sealed bid. Bids to be opened at our Sept 17, 2013 meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Problem in Luzerne with trash, etc. at one of the residences. Commissioner Kischnick will talk to Board members appointed to Health Dept. Board about having Health Dept. condemn the house.

Default judgment issued against Triton Estates, Township allotted \$294 in legal costs. (RE: Burned out garage in Mio.)

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT – Kischnick reported the fuel farm up and running at the airport; had some fuel sales over the weekend. New Ambulance director, Jason Beck, has been hired and has been on the job for 2 weeks. Kudos for the job done at the Joe Pillars Park, beautiful facility.

BOARD COMMENT:

Meeting adjourned 8:27 pm.

Rhonda Mundt
Township Clerk

