

**BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
December 16, 2014
BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL**

Meeting called to order at 5 P.M.

PRESENT: Booth, Avery, Mundt, Mitchell, Fire Chief Roddy, Commissioner Kischnick, 8 electors

ABSENT: McGregor

Minutes – November 13, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes were presented.

Avery/Mitchell to accept minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

LIST OF BILLS: Invoices total \$36,381.22 including \$942.55 of additional invoices.

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

TREASURER’S REPORT: Tri-Town paid for 3rd quarter, 3rd quarter funds for Luzerne Fire Dept. transferred, all transfers from Fire Millage acct. Account balances: General Fund - \$171,217.97; Cemetery Fund - \$15,385.14; Park Fund - \$8,146.52; Road Fund - \$151,575.86; Fire Millage - \$157,304.29; Luzerne Fire Fund - \$37,123.92. Question re: remaining \$5000 not transferred to road fund. The remaining balance will be addressed next month when the budget is discussed.

FIRE REPORT:

Meetings, training, equipment maintenance, 1 fire, one accident.

RE: Grant for equipment. Presented breakdown of 3 bids.

Avery/Mundt to go ahead with purchase of 15 sets of turnout gear at \$2452/firefighter = \$36,780 from Front Line Services. When grant money is received, pay grant writer Dak his 5% (\$1839) from fire dept. funds, not grant money. Total \$38,619. All ayes. Motion carried.
Negotiating with a fire dept. in Alabama on the old pumper.

ASSESSOR REPORT

Working on new sales study for the year, held Board of Review.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Tri-Town – 3 new fire fighters

BCMUA – New software for sewage treatment plant which should save a bunch of money.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sidewalk snowplowing – Booth contacted Mio school re sidewalks; school responded that usually the students don’t use the sidewalk, and the school may be able to plow if they have time but they didn’t feel it was a priority.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Steiner Museum – Requesting capital improvements this year (new well for about \$8000), and to put a roof on the side of the bldg. to cover some displays (about \$2000). Big Creek share will be approximately \$2500-3000, based on population/property assessments. All townships and county are owners of the museum and all are requested to share the cost.
2. Board of Review appointments
Booth requested the Board appoint Alvin Grewe, Tom Osterbeck, Tom McVeigh, and Janice Owen to Board of Review.
Avery/Booth to approve appointments of Alvin Grewe, Tom Osterbeck, Tom McVeigh, and Janice Owen to Board of Review. All ayes. Motion carried.

MAIL: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kischnick – Employer has made an offer to Union representing court employees for new contract.
Roddy – Thank Ken Friday for noticing the fire at Ma Deeter's.
Larry Lange – Question if the Blight Ordinance has helped this year. A lot of clean-up because of press. MTA in January will have the County Prosecutor as a guest, and she'll present some proposed ordinances for all townships which will make enforcement easier.

BOARD COMMENT:

Mtg. adjourned 5:25 p.m.

Next meeting January 20, 2015, 5:00 p.m.