

**BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP
OCTOBER 15, 2015 – Unofficial Minutes
BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL**

Meeting to Order at 7 P.M.

PRESENT: Booth, Avery, McGregor, Mitchell, Mundt, Fire Chief Roddy, Commissioner Kischnick, 5 electors

MINUTES – Sept. 17, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes presented.

McGregor/Avery to approve minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

INVOICES - Total \$36,000.81 including \$1580.18 in additional invoices.

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

TREASURER’S REPORT

FEMA money came in (\$22,441), all grant invoices are now paid.

Account balances: General Fund: \$236,515.45, Cemetery - \$18,261.36; Parks - \$12,929.63; Road Fund - \$172,240.56; Luzerne Fire - \$9,089.73; Fire Millage - \$168,341.30.

FIRE REPORT

Runs for vehicle accidents, work at Ma Deeters’ on fire and cleanup, installed new SCBA fill station.

Because FEMA’s deadline was Oct. 12 and Chief Roddy had difficulty getting quotes, Gaylord Electric bid (presented in Sept.) was accepted and they completed the job prior to FEMA deadline. Firefighters Shepard and Ellis were the only ones to show up at a training meeting on 9/1.

McGregor/Mitchell to pay the 2 firefighters that showed up on 9/1 for training a total of 2 hrs. All ayes. Motion carried.

Comments regarding purchase of a large well to fill trucks rather than filling at the creek.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Introduced Russ Campbell, the new maintenance man.

Junk complaints – McCormack St. cleaned up; Pierce Road being cleaned up and property is being purchased.

Attended 3 day class on land valuing, and spent a day with BS&A on the assessing program.

Approved one land division.

New complaint about Blight at Park & Lenroy Valley Rd.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utility Authority – Everything running normally; inspected big water tank. Will require maintenance soon.

Tri-Town – Hired Mike Chartier for Asst. Fire Chief.

Trustee McGregor applied for Great Lakes Energy Grant (approx. \$18,000) for use at Township Park.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Ventrac Tractor – Tractor brought here Tuesday. Total bid including salt spreader and broom is over \$30,000. Tractor and blade only are approx. \$21,000.
12 x 32' building at North Star Storage Barn is \$6800.
McGregor/Mitchell to purchase 16' trailer from USA trailer sales for \$1849.00. All ayes. Motion carried.
Special meeting Nov. 5 at 6:30 pm at Tri Town to discuss new bids for building.
2. Signs for Luzerne River Park and Campground – Booth showed a drawing of proposed sign, no prices yet.

NEW BUSINESS:

Road signs – Road Commission requested approval of a proposal to purchase missing road signs, for a total of \$1411.27.

Avery/Mundt to approve funds for replacement road signs. All ayes. Motion carried.

J. Nolan contacted Booth to let him know the pump on the fire truck he purchased was frozen up and broken. He'd like some consideration. Per the firemen, the pump worked when the truck was parked at the hall. The Board decided not to make a refund on the truck, and suggested if he no longer wanted it that he contact McKinley Fire Dept.

Snowplowing bids – keep snowplowing as it is. Get new price from Earl.

Generator bids –

No deadline date on the notice for bids. Hold off until next month for bids.

MAIL:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Friday – Comments about the Take Back Drug day. The last take-back in Oscoda Co. totaled 44 lbs.

R. Ellis – discussed the cost of recycling versus dumping in the landfill.

Commissioner Kischnick – State is going to mandate recycling and are not going to fund it. There may be a small refund from the landfill this year.

BOARD COMMENT: None

Meeting adjourned 8:47 pm

Rhonda Mundt
Township Clerk