

**BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP**  
**August 18, 2016**  
**BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Booth, Avery, McGregor, Mitchell, Mundt, Fire Chief Roddy, Asst. Chief McNamara, Commissioner Kischnick, 14 electors

**ABSENT:** None

**MINUTES** – July 21, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes presented.

**McGregor/Mundt to accept minutes as read. All ayes. Motion carried.**

**LIST OF BILLS**

Invoice total of \$31,610.97 including additional invoices of \$5676.49.

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

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Recycling funds from landfill not included in Treasurer’s report. Will be in next month’s report.

Fund Balances: General Fund - \$229,717.30; Cemetery Fund - \$26,422.76; Parks Fund -

\$46,283.56; Road Fund - \$256,669.01; Luzerne Fire Fund - \$8,266.39; Fire Millage - \$216,575.01.

**FIRE REPORT**

Held water rescue training and had a car fire. Roddy requesting training money (4-6 hrs. per person) for water rescue training to include all townships.

**Mitchell/Avery to pay for LVFD water rescue training sessions. All ayes. Motion carried.**

**SUPERVISOR’S REPORT**

Working on junk complaints, two have been sent to attorney.

Approved 2 land divisions; working with AMAR on assessing record audit.

Township assessment records inspection policy reviewed.

**Mundt/Avery to approve Big Creek Township Assessment Records Policy #8. Ayes – 5; Nays – none. Policy approved.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Utility authority changed Sept. 5 meeting date to Tuesday, Sept. 6 due to Labor Day. Minutes of Utility Authority available at this office.

Tri Town – suspended a firefighter due to pending legal proceedings.

Booth on Courthouse committee; have had a couple preliminary meetings with architects and with supervisors in courthouse.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Copy Machine – Machine didn’t arrive. Will expect it for next month’s meeting.

- Roads – Discussed again the contract with Rd. Commission to repave Mishler Rd. Road Commission is recommending we pave 1.46 miles. Mitchell expressed a desire to set up a committee to review the roads and maintenance needs.

**Mundt/McGregor to sign contract with Road Commission to repave 1.46 miles of Mishler Rd. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Katherine Burkholder – Consumers Power re: electrical meter  
Consumers is installing new smart meters, and expect to have the county done by the end of the year. The new meter will provide a daily meter read report. Customers can go on line to view usage, Consumers can also determine much easier who is involved when there is a power outage.  
Each meter will require approximately 5 minutes for installation. Residents can opt out, but there is a \$69.39 one-time fee per meter that isn't changed, and a \$9.72 charge per month to read the meter.

- Bids – Truck & Trailer  
Trailer           Kevin \$60  
                      Ken Avery - \$27  
                      Bob Elder – 75  
                      **Jim Booth – 155.55**

**Mitchell/McGregor to accept Jim Booth's bid of \$155.55 for trailer. All ayes. Motion carried.**

- Truck
- |                               |           |
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| Larry Kolver, Atlanta –       | \$5500.00 |
| James Booth                   | \$2222.22 |
| Randy Booth                   | \$1250.00 |
| Timothy Jackson, Grass Lake - | \$5500.00 |

**McGregor/Avery - Booth to call both high bidders and request a rebid. Booth then has the authority to award the bid to the high bidder. All ayes. Motion carried.**

MTA picnic Sept. 12 Comstock Nelson Park.

Dangerous Buildings ordinance will be addressed in September.

MTA Fall District meetings will be held in West Branch this fall.

**Booth/McGregor to authorize board members to attend MTA district meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.**

**MAIL:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

For Sheriff Grace (by Commissioner Kischnick) – Thanks for the support of everyone in the 2 millages and his run for sheriff.

Commissioner Kischnick – Everyone is moved into the modular units on the corner of Court and 11<sup>th</sup> St. Courthouse is demolished, and most of debris is removed. They retained some of the construction materials including some beams and vault doors. Vault doors have been removed, but the walls are still standing. They should be removed Friday morning. Probably not everything will be removed for the weekend. Hope to have site cleaned up and fence removed for OC Riverfest August 26-28.

Mrs. Wilsek from Nash Drive – Discussed blight of neighbors. Have been throwing trash out their side door for 9 months. Very frustrated with no progression in getting it cleaned up. Booth will send letters to owner. Mrs. Wilsek needs to contact Health Dept. again regarding the trash. Kischnick will discuss with the Health Board.

Dave Stenzel - Open House at Tri Town on 9/24, 11-2.

Booth – Repairs completed at Pillars Park. Seeding finished today.

Road committee – Craig Mitchell offered to give input to a Road Committee. Craig Mitchell, John Slayton, Jim McGregor, Kevin McNamara volunteered to be on the committee.

Firefighter Ellis requested a phone number for a Road Commission Supervisor to call when roads need to be salted for Fire Dept. (He was advised to contact Sheriff's Dept. – They have the contact list for Road Comm.)

**BOARD COMMENT:**

Dead trees on main street in streetscape. Get bids to replace trees for September meeting.

Maintenance man issue – to be addressed in September.

Meeting adjourned 8:46 p.m.

Rhonda Mundt  
Township Clerk