

**BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP
JANUARY 19, 2017
BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL**

PRESENT: Booth, Avery, Mitchell, McGregor, Mundt, Fire Chief Roddy, Asst. Chief McNamara, Commissioner Kischnick, 7 electors

ABSENT: None

Meeting called to Order at 7 P.M.

MINUTES of December 8, 2016 meeting presented.

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

LIST OF BILLS - Invoices totaling \$11,379.28 were reviewed.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

Account Balances: General Fund - \$265,376.01; Cemetery Fund - \$24,929.41; Parks Fund - \$42,808.65; Road Fund - \$230,682.64; Luzerne Fire Fund - \$21,385.73; Fire Millage - \$155,974.91.

FIRE REPORT

One snowmobile fire, one misc. call, training, meeting.

In February, will bring some forms they wish to update, and a procedure that should be updated.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Attempted to appear at Court hearing on junk complaint. Hearing had not been placed on the court docket so the hearing was not held and was rescheduled for January.

Working on Assessment rolls and building permits.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tri Town – worked on budget. Discussion on fire dept. responding to all vehicle accidents, and possibility of charging or cost sharing with sheriff's dept. Several years ago, all fire depts. requested they be called out on all vehicle accidents in case of fires, spills, need for traffic control. Utility Authority – Getting bids on gutters to improve drainage, considering insulating utility authority building.

OLD BUSINESS:

Resolution authorizing Supervisor to sign Northwoods Club Property sale documents.

Resolution 2017-001 Avery/Mitchell Resolution to Authorize Supervisor Booth to Act and Sign on behalf of Big Creek Township for the real estate closing of parcel 001-475-016-00 lots 16, 17 and 18 of Hamlin Pines Subdivision. Roll call vote Ayes – 5, Nays – None Resolution passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2017-002 Booth/McGregor Resolution of Support for Orion International Dark Sky Park. Roll call vote Ayes – 5, Nays – None. Resolution passed.

Need to have a Streetscape meeting with Mentor to work on budget for 2017. Meet Feb. 2, 2017 at 6pm at Tri-Town.

March Meeting falls on Board of Review week. Booth would like to move the meeting to March 23 at 7 pm.

Booth/McGregor to move March meeting to March 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.. All ayes. Motion carried.

Road fund needs for 2018 – Delayed until February meeting. Booth has a meeting with the Road Commission next week and can bring

Park Road Bridge Plans – Two alternate plans presented for bridge on Park Road. Board members preferred the single arch version. The township may have a small local match to rebuild bridge.

Tri-Town Budget – Big Creek share this year is proposed to be \$52,938.00.

McGregor/Mitchell to approve Tri-Town 2017-18 budget as proposed. All ayes. Motion carried.

If Tri-Town needs to purchase a new pumper, they may have come to the townships for funds to pay for it. Tri Town completing some updates to the building (meeting room, kitchen). Planning to do more updates in future years.

MAIL:

MTA Class notice – Township Board Roles & Relations, Making Meetings Work More Effectively
No expression of interest in attending from board members.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

McNamara – Members of AA apparently have code to door lock as they had a meeting when leader/assistant were not there. Booth would like to apply for a grant for the security system like they just got at Tri Town. Key fob entry system and cameras. McNamara’s concern is just that AA is using the building.

Commissioner Kischnick – Hoops for the House 2/11 at 10:00.

Commissioner Kischnick – Big Creek Commissioners are now B. Wright, L. Olson, and Kischnick. Board of Comm. Meetings are now 2nd Tues. at 10 am, 4th Wed. at 6 pm.

Re: Callout for accidents, all fire chiefs solicited tone-out to all auto accidents. He expects the Sheriff will respond by saying “but you asked for it”, and they were warned it would be expensive for the fire depts.

Mitchell commented she’d like to have a discussion on it since most of the current board members were not on the board when the agreement was made.

BOARD COMMENT:

Board adjourned 8:06 for five minutes and will return for budget work.

Budget Workshop Reconvened 8:15 pm.

Working on Fire Dept. budget, discussion on repair of pickup #8.

Need to set a policy on what truck's used for, and policy on attending trainings and whether or not we pay mileage.

BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR 2017-2018 BUDGET

Next budget workshop Feb 16, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned 9:12 p.m.

Rhonda Mundt
Township Clerk