

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP
February 15, 2018
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Regular meeting called to order 7:05 p.m..

PRESENT: Booth, Avery, Mitchell, Mundt, Commissioner Kischnick, Sheriff Grace, Fire Chief Roddy, 15 electors

ABSENT: McGregor

MINUTES – January 11, 2018 Regular Meeting

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

LIST OF BILLS

Mitchell/Avery to pay bills as presented, totaling \$8,590.19. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Taxes coming in now. Quite a few NSF checks this year. No way to add cost of NSF checks to tax bills without a court order.

Received a check from MOA Landfill for \$919, not earmarked for any special purpose. Would like to use the funds for free dump day/hazmat recycle/electronic recycle.

Account Balances: General Fund - \$282,497.75; Cemetery Fund - \$32,166.29; Parks - \$93,479.06; Road Fund - \$153,305.73; Luzerne Fire - \$17,424.85; Fire Millage - \$162,237.48.

FIRE REPORT

Responded to CO Detector alarm and one accident. Trailer hitch installed on vehicle from Enbridge, and lettering completed.

Truck #4 was repaired at CSI; Haz-Mat Vehicle transfer has been completed.

The air tank fill station has some electrical issues that are being looked into.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Assessment Roll has been submitted to the County. Assessment change notices should be going out within a week or two.

Tire recycle day report: Took in \$2,239.00 (1 ½ trailer loads). Total cost was \$4,960.01. Balance of charges being submitted to County Commissioners as they agreed to assist with paying the costs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utility – some frozen pipes on private property. Run water notice has been sent.

BLIGHT OFFICER REPORT

Blight Officer ill so not in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Medical Marihuana Application form
Booth/Mitchell to adopt proposed Medical Marihuana Application as our official application. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mike Tyco Re: Vacating ROW Adheek Trail
Problem with people tearing up his yard, fences, etc. going thru Ojeeg Trail on an unmaintained road. Would like to have that unmaintained road vacated. A neighbor was also in attendance that objected to closure of that trail. Booth recommended we wait until McGregor is in attendance to determine legality of closing road.
- Frank Wyrembelski re: skating rink Comstock Park - A group in Luzerne would like to see the skating rink built and maintained at Comstock Park as in the past. Cost to purchase materials would be about \$2000. Too late for this year but would like us to consider it for next year. Board was in favor of creating for next year.
- 2017-18 Budget Amendments
Booth/Mitchell to make proposed budget amendments. All ayes. Motion carried.
- 2018-19 Budget – Will discuss in workshop following regular meeting.

MAIL: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Commissioner Kischnick – A plan for the courthouse has been accepted. Construction Company plans to break ground in the Spring. MOA distributed funds to townships from landfill. Landfill will require additional cell earlier than anticipated. Budgeted \$2 million; costs hopefully will be within the \$2 million. Gasification is no longer a consideration.

Sheriff Grace – Had Hoops for the House fundraiser, raised \$1500 for River House Shelter. Participated in mock interviews in Fairview to help young people with resumes, interviews, how to dress, etc. Doing background checks and interviewing for a new dispatcher.

BOARD COMMENT: None

Meeting recessed 8:00 for 10 min before working on the budget.

Meeting reconvened at 8:20 pm.

Tri-Town Budget for 2017-18 is \$100,450. Big Creek share is \$55,036.55.

Avery/Mundt to accept Tri-Town Fire Dept. budget and Big Creek share of \$55,036.55. for 2018-19. All ayes. Motion carried.

Booth/Mundt to send The Steiner \$500 for operations. All ayes. Motion carried.

Fee Schedule was discussed along with rate changes. Will adopt new fee schedule in March.

Discussed salaries for 2018-2019; presented Resolutions 2018-02, 2018-03, 2018-04 and 2018-05 Township Officers' Salaries.

Booth/Mundt to approve resolutions 2018-02, 2018-03, 2018-04 and 2018-05 establishing Township Officers' Salaries. Roll call vote: Ayes – Booth, Avery, Mitchell, Mundt. Nays – None. Absent - McGregor

Mitchell/Avery to hold a special Budget Workshop March 6, 2018 at 6 pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Budget Hearing March 20, 2018 at 7 pm, followed by Special Meeting to adopt the budget.

Meeting adjourned 10:20 pm

Rhonda Mundt, Twp. Clerk