

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP
January 16, 2020
BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL

Regular meeting called to order 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Stone (Chair), Mitchell, Avery, Mundt, Fire Chief Shepard, Commissioners Bondar and McCauley, Sheriff Grace, 6 electors

ABSENT: Booth (arrived at 8:10 pm)

MINUTES– December 19, 2019 Regular Meeting

Mitchell/Avery to approve December 19, 2019 minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

LIST OF BILLS

Invoices total \$15,267.48, including additional invoices of \$341.68.

Avery/Mitchell to pay invoices in the amount of \$15,267.48 as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Tax collections going well; \$42,000 state revenue sharing this month.

Account balances: General Fund - \$371,360.96; Cemetery Fund - \$42,775.75; Parks Fund - \$48,146.04; Road Fund - \$210,298.43; Luzerne Fire Fund - \$72,249.61; Fire Millage - \$137,489.33.

FIRE REPORT

Firefighters responded to one accident, a structure fire, down power line, and lift assist this month. Received new pants and coats with Title III money.

CPR been pushed back to March or April because of all the other classes required before March 1. New Firefighter application for Bradley Burger was reviewed.

Mitchell/Stone – to approve Bradley Burger as a new firefighter on a probationary basis. All ayes. Motion carried.

Classes will be held thru February. All firefighters welcome to take the classes but only officers will be paid. At this time, Fire Chief Shepard is the only officer taking the classes; his required classes total 90 hours. Whitacre, Wyrembelski and Ellis are unable to take the classes. John Aird has all his classes.

Working on schedules for upcoming classes for the next couple years. Figuring that out will help estimate training budget requirements.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utility Authority – Looking at changing distribution of revenues between water and sewer to avoid increase in water cost.

Tri-Town – Set the budget for next year. Budget increased less than \$1000. Increase includes replacing air tanks.

BLIGHT OFFICER REPORT

Nothing to report this month. Blight officer off on sick leave.

OLD BUSINESS:

Special Event Permit Ordinance

Ordinance reviewed. Attorney added a definition for “Major Special Event” and section for Violations and Penalties.

Mitchell/Stone to approve the new Special Event Permit Ordinance #2020-24. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 1.

Representative from B+B, LLC re: Medical Marihuana Facilities Permit
Roman Benson, BB, LLC, made a presentation on their business plan. They currently own a business which assists people with medical marihuana cards. They have been approved for step 1 by the State.

Stone/Mitchell to approve B+B, LLC for a Medical Marijuana Permit.

Roll Call vote – Stone – yes, Mitchell – yes, Avery – No, Mundt – yes

Booth – Absent. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Work on proposed budget for 2020-2021

MAIL:

Application from Enbridge to relocate stream crossing – Red Creek

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sheriff Grace – Gave about 25 turkeys and 20 meal vouchers before Christmas.

Semi Rollovers just West of Mio on M-72, one on Co 489, and one on Kittle Rd. the last few days.

Commissioner Bondar – New building completion estimated the middle of February. Anyone interested in County Clerk position, it will be vacant in November as Jeri Winton is retiring.

Hired a new County Park Manager – Holly Stoner.

2 Roscommon Co individuals trying to save the old Kirtland campus and revive the Voc/Tech classes.

Commissioner McCauley - Next MTA at Clinton Township; representatives from EGLE and NEMCOG will be there for discussion on electronics recycle. We have a \$10,000 grant.

(Booth arrived at approx. 8:15 pm)

BOARD COMMENT:

Stone – A group of citizens are going to their counties to get a designation as 2nd amendment sanctuary county. They will be going to Oscoda Co. Board of Commissioners' meeting at the end of January.

Booth has contacted a company that does ground sensing radar and they'll be getting us a quote in the next week or so for sensing at Hughes Lake Cemetery.

Meeting adjourned 8:20 pm

Rhonda Mundt
Township Clerk