

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP
June 15, 2023
BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL

Call Regular Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Booth, Avery, Coulon, Mitchell, Mundt, McCauley, Bondar, Wilson, 6 electors

ABSENT: None

MINUTES – May 18, 2023 Regular Meeting

Mitchell/Coulon to approve minutes of May 18, 2023 meeting as presented. All ayes.

Motion Carried.

LIST OF BILLS

Total invoices - \$156,373.67

Coulon/Mitchell to approve bills in the amount of \$156,373.67 as presented. All ayes.

Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Moved \$125, 000 from LVFD savings account to money market at Merchantile Bank to get more interest (currently nearly 5%).

Report on Free Dump Day – Very successful. 827 tires were collected. Electronic trailer will cost us about \$1450; we received about \$450 for items brought in to be recycled.

Account balances: General Fund - \$523,974.30; Cemetery - \$38,483.43; Parks Fund - \$139,552.17; Road Fund - \$369,354.89; Luzerne Fire Fund - \$216,473.62; Fire Millage - \$143,184.42.

FIRE REPORT

Reviewed written Fire report.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Got application submitted for blight remediation for \$200,000 from land bank.

Specific things are required for demo bids if we get a grant, so bids will wait until we find out if we get any money from the land bank.

Kevin Kirby back to work on limited duty. Booth worked the campground and Pillars Park over holiday weekend and found some repairs that need to be completed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Utility Authority – Cancelled July meeting, will meet in Aug.

Tri-Town Fire Dept. – no meeting

Steiner – Talking about a sign, budgets

BLIGHT OFFICER REPORT

Co. Building Inspector condemned 4 buildings last week.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- RE: Brining of gravel roads in the township. Resident from Upper Terrace spoke on why the road hasn't been brined.
- Resolution on Spark Grant for Oscoda Co. Park.
Booth/Coulon to adopt Resolution 2023-11 supporting the Spark Grant for Oscoda Co. Park. All ayes. Resolution 2023-11 approved.
- Resolution to purchase Crandall property 2023-12
Mundt/Avery to adopt Resolution 2023-12 to purchase land for a park in Mio, 404 S. Morenci, and authorize Booth to represent Big Creek Twp. at the real estate closing and sign all documents. All ayes. Resolution 2023-12 approved.
- Resolution to purchase Booth property 2023-13
- **Coulon/Mitchell to adopt Resolution 2023-13 to purchase land for a park in Mio, 410 Deyarmond, and authorize Booth to represent Big Creek Twp. at the real estate closing and sign all documents. All ayes. Resolution 2023-13 approved.**
- Resolution of support for Consumers Energy Prosperity Grant – Grant has not been announced yet so resolution will be completed when grants are announced.
- L-4029 Info – Not completed
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Review
Mitchell/Coulon to make L. Wilson a permanent employee. All ayes. Motion carried.
- MTA Membership Dues - \$2565.28 this year.
Mitchell/Mundt to pay MTA dues of \$2,565.28. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Fireworks permits and contributions –
Contribute \$500 to Mio and \$500 to Luzerne for Independence day celebrations.
Luzerne festival will be on Labor Day weekend.
- **Coulon/Mitchell to contribute \$500 each to Mio and Luzerne Independence Day celebrations, and authorize Booth to sign the fireworks permits. All ayes. Motion carried.**

Streetscape flowers – Will have to have a meeting with Mentor Twp. about flower maintenance. Booth will contact Mentor about a meeting 2nd Monday in July. The rock wall in front of statewide is starting to collapse again so it will need to be repaired.

MAIL:

Landmark Dividend – cell tower lease

National Council for the Arts – looking for host city for National Folk Festival

Par Plan Board of Director Election Ballot

Booth/Coulon to select Sheryl Tussey for Par Plan Bd. Of Directors. All ayes. Motion carried.

Patriot Fireworks USA/Yellow Box Fireworks 2023 operations plan

PUBLIC COMMENT:

BOARD COMMENT:

Bondar – A tour group stops at the Steiner regularly but the building is never open, so they would like to know who to contact to get the building open during the week when they're traveling through.

Booth will recommend the Oct. MTA meeting be at the Steiner.

We need to get a schedule of the meeting dates, and also a copy of their budget before we start working on our budget.

McCauley – The County is interviewing for Motor Pool, involved new Administrator Michelle Knepp.

Booth – Had a meeting with Consumers Energy, Booth would like to contact the attorney regarding some questions he has about their plans to remove or repair the dams.

Meeting adjourned 8:20 p.m.

Rhonda Mundt
Township Clerk