



BRUCE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

October 10, 2019

Call meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members: R. LaJoie, C. Marsh, D. Rogers, M. Pins. W. Pulfrey

Greetings - Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments - limit 3 minutes

At the 41st Annual Senior Citizen Dinner on August 5th, 2019, the Homemakers served 174 meals which includes 30 meals sent to shut ins.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Rodger supported by Marsh to approve the Minutes of the Regular September 12, 2019 meeting. Motion passed.

Pay Bills -- Motion by Pins supported by LaJoie to approve paying of the bills (check numbers 10200 - 10234) for a total of \$19,933.25. Motion passed.

County Commission Report – None

Reports of Special Meeting - Special Meeting of September 26, 2019 was for approval of Final Tax Resolution requirements. A motion by Pins supported by Marsh to approve the minutes of the Special meetings of September 26, 2019. Motion passed.

Zoning Administrator – 27 Permits and of those there are 5 new homes

Assessor's Report: reviewing new construction. As of Sept. 16th, 2019, anyone wanting to split property must be current taxes paid prior to an approval by the county.

Planning Commission Report – No meeting

Treasurer's Report: There were receipts of \$386.40, expenses of \$17,029.94 and a \$910,459.32 balance of all funds.

Clerk's Report –

- A. Domain Update: The Bruce Township AT Specialist Dave P presented a proposal for a domain transfer, as Astoria (current Domain supplier) is getting out of the Domain management. Currently we have a E-mail Account with Lighthouse.net which is owned by Astoria. Mr. P proposed that we purchase the Bruce Township Domain and go with GoDaddy as the host of the Domain and that change will allow us to control our own Domain and E-mail accounts. We have approved the change to go to GoDaddy at our last meeting. Pulfrey made a motion to allow C. Drusha to make the website migration from Lighthouse to GoDaddy for a cost of \$942.50. Motion was supported by Marsh. Pins suggested that this will impact our contract for the tower which is located on Township Property which will need to be addressed. Motion passed
- B. MiWAM Access: we now have access to the MiWAM Unemployment website and are current at this date.
- C. Cloverland Access: We have been given access to the Cleveland accounts and are current at this date.
- D. Credit Card Reader: We are looking at the cost of having the ability for citizens to use their credit cards to make payments to the Township. Currently we accept credit card payments for taxes and if possible (depending on cost effectiveness), We would like to offer this service to people using our services.
- E. County Millage Report: Information only

Firemen's Report – Pig Roast is next weekend, there were no Fire calls this month. We checked into the costs of an Air Bag System which varies greatly for \$3000 to \$15000. We will try to find grants that will offset these costs.

Ground and Park Report –

The Cemetery is put to bed for this year, the grass has been cut, the flowers and such has been removed.

The Parks have been cleaned up with the removal of brush.

Road contracts are being rebid, not sure what the results of the rebid is yet.

Cemetery: There were 3 Donaldson Cremation burials this month. We have been getting comments on how nice the cemetery is looking.

Old Business

- A. Employee Handbook: Motion by Pins supported by Pulfrey. Motion passed.
- B. Hall Rental: There was a work session on changes needed to the Hall Rental process and agreements. Many good ideas were also discussed at this meeting which will be added to the existing Lease agreement and brought up at the November 14th meeting for review and possible approval.
- C. Snow removal bids: Kaysner Construction and Barbeau Builders were the only bidders. Motion by Pulfrey supported by Rogers to award the bid to Kaysner Construction. Roll call vote Rodger yes, Pins yes, Marsh yes, Pulfrey yes, LaJoie yes. Motion passed.
- D. Pavilion: Marsh discussed this with the Corp of Engineers to remove the existing at Dunbar Park Pavilion and raising the elevation of around the base of a new Pavilion. As we do not own the Dunbar Park, the question of spending taxpayer monies on non-Township property is a concern, which we will need to clarify before proceeding. Marsh will investigate our choices.

New Business

- A.
- B.
- C.

Public Comments – limit 3 minutes

Adjournment Motion to adjourn was made by Rodgers supported by Pins. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.