# BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING MAY 10, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Beaver Creek Township was called to order on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 10:00 am. Board members present: Ashton, Hartman, Van Nuck and Riley. Absent: Little. There were 10 guests present.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by the supervisor.

#### **GUESTS:**

- 1. Kevin Hessellink is running for the 46<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Judge position.
- 2. Dave Udy is a candidate for supervisor in Gerrish Township and wanted to advise the board to a swimmers itch program June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### AGENDA:

Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Riley to accept the agenda as presented with two additions: #1 add Larry Fox under GUESTS, and #2 add Gary Cooley letter under UNFINISHED BUSINESS #4. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

#### **GUEST CONTINUED:**

Larry Fox, C2AE requested \$18,000 in Ioan from Beaver Creek Township and Graying Charter Township to work on the engineering, Phase 2, for the Beaver Creek Township/Grayling Charter Township Utilities Authority. There is \$1,000 left on the books from a previous motion.

The authority is lining up a grant plus and obtaining a loan for Phase B and Mr. Fox stated that it looks like everything is going to happen, although we are a couple months.

Attorney Meihn stated that Mr. Fox's proposal is fine and at the next meeting, the attorney will have the authority sign a document stating that money lent from the townships will be repaid.

Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Riley to loan the Beaver Creek Township/Grayling Charter Township Utilities Authorities \$8,000. Roll call vote with 4 ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

#### **MINUTES:**

Motion by Riley and seconded by Van Nuck to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2016 meeting. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Ashton to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2016 meeting. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

Motion by Riley and seconded by Van Nuck to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2016 meeting. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

## TREASURERS REPORT:

We have been notified that the Roscommon School District will no long pay to have taxes collected in the summer; Roscommon School taxes will go on the winter tax bill.

#### **CLERKS REPORT:**

The primary election is August  $2^{nd}$ . Our November meeting is scheduled for the  $8^{th}$  and that is the date of the regular November regular meeting, thus the date of the meeting needs to be changed.

Updated figures on the budget for 2016-2017 are in your packet.

#### SUPERVISORS REPORT:

The supervisor has been attending meetings on recycling and getting the park ready to open.

#### HIGGINS LAKE UTILITIES AUTHORITY:

We discussed Miss Dig, fixing the pump, MiWater administrator and the attorney is updating the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The fire chief reported that the tanker is complete, the turn out gear is all here, he is working on the budget and the hydrants are being refilled.

Regarding employment, the fire chief reported that an ad has been in the Crawford County Avalanche for four weeks and another one will start for four more weeks, next week. He has had one applicant that doesn't meet policy, and one applicant that he is looking at.

The fire chief also stated that though the board made it clear to Scott Baker that when he was able to return to work he should re-apply; the fire chief has heard nothing from Mr. Baker at this time. The fire chief has had no phone calls or contact from him.

#### DPW:

The ramp is being repaired. The metal trailer is working well as the township received a check for \$235 last month for metal. The supervisor is getting prices to have work done on the road going into the transfer site and should have something for us next month.

#### PLANNING/ZONING:

The zoning administrator reported four permits, probably 4 or 5 behind last year, but the weather has been cold. He is working on blight.

The zoning administrator also gave a report on oak wilt, a disease effecting oak trees in this area. If you have what you believe is oak wilt, call the DNR to determine if that is what is happening to your trees, and they can help you with a plan, but there is no cure for it.

#### BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP/GRAYLING CHARTER TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY:

The deputy supervisor questioned if you need a vote of the people on a self-liquidating bond and will this diminish the townships ability to borrow money? The attorney will look into it.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1. Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony
- 2. M-Dot Annual Rural Officials Meeting

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. We now have prices from **Priority Health** and two options from Blue Cross for medical coverage, with the two from BC being inferior. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Van Nuck to continue with the Priority Health coverage. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.
- 2. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Van Nuck to accept the Beaver Creek Township Marihuana Ordinance No. 49. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Van Nuck that as we have approved the Marihuana Ordinance from attorney and the attorney will go over it at the Friday meeting. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.
- 3. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Van Nuck to accept the **Waste Management Contract** as presented. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried. Prepare a tickler file so that if you wish to terminate the contract with them, you must give them 90 days' notice.

4. The attorney addressed another letter from **Gary Cooley**. The attorney has written two letters, one addressing Mr. Cooley's request for the reduction of FOIA monies owed. Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Ashton to NOT give Mr. Cooley a break on the FOIA money owed in the amount of \$52.95, per Mr. Cooley's request. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried. A second letter was written to Mr. Cooley by our attorney on May 6, 2016 asking him to call the attorney as the attorney cannot determine what Mr. Cooley is seeking in his letter dated 4/8/2016 and received by us on 4/24/2016.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

 Crawford County, acting as the Foreclosing Governmental Unit, sent a list of parcels in our unit facing foreclosure. The township can purchase, but must "purchase for a public purpose". Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Riley to decline any purchases of the foreclosed properties. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

## 2. Resolution to Establish Township Supervisors Salary:

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), in a township that does not hold an annual meeting, the salary for officers composing the township board shall be determined by the township board, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that no adjustment in the salary of the Office of Supervisor is warranted for the next fiscal year, therefore leaving it the same as last year's salary. BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 1, 2016, the salary of the Office of Supervisor shall be as follows:

Supervisor \$26,250.00. Motion by Riley and seconded by Van Nuck to pass the Wage Resolution as presented. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

#### 3. Resolution to Establish Township Clerks Salary:

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), in a township that does not hold an annual meeting, the salary for officers composing the township board shall be determined by the township board, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that no adjustment in the salary of the Office of Clerk is warranted for the next fiscal year, therefore leaving it the same as last year's salary. BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 1, 2016, the salary of the Office of Clerk shall be as follows: Clerk \$29,445.00. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Riley to pass the Wage Resolution as presented. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

#### 4. Resolution to Establish Township Treasurers Salary:

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), in a township that does not hold an annual meeting, the salary for officers composing the township board shall be determined by the township board, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that no adjustment in the salary of the Office of Treasurer is warranted for the next fiscal year, therefore leaving it the same as last year's salary. BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 1, 2016, the salary of the Office of Treasurer shall be as follows: Treasurer \$26,250.00. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Hartman to pass the Wage Resolution as presented. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

## 5. Resolution to Establish Township Trustees Salary:

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), in a township that does not hold an annual meeting, the salary for officers composing the township board shall be determined by the township board, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that no adjustment in the salary of the Office of Trustee is warranted for the next fiscal year, therefore leaving it the same as last year's salary. BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 1, 2016, the salary of the Office of Trustee shall be as follows: Trustee \$2,923.00. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Van Nuck to pass the Wage Resolution as presented. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

6. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Riley to hold a **Budget Hearing** during our regular meeting on June 14, 2016 at 10:30 am. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried. We will have another budget work session on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

7. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Riley to pass a Resolution Amending the 2015-2016 Budget as presented. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.

## RESOLUTION AMENDING 2015-2016 BUDGET

WHEREAS, a budget was adopted by the Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated receipts within the township for the 2015-2016 fiscal year,

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and need expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget as follows,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE AFORESAID budget be modified as follows:

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	H.L.U.A.	+ 2,883.74
101 536 924.000	GCT/BCT U.A.	
101 101 910.000	Insurance	+ 1,750.00
		+ 1,078.92
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101 101 900.000	Printing/Publishing	+ 724.21
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- 8. Discussion regarding the **recycling contribution** proposal for the next fiscal year. Our current recycling charge is \$6.00 per parcel and the proposal would ask it be raised to \$18.00 per parcel. It is not known if South Branch and Frederic Townships are staying in the agreement. Crawford County no longer budgets any money to help with recycling costs even though they get \$95,000 per year from Waste Management. Riley suggested looking at American Waste recycling. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Van Nuck to table this item until a special meeting in May. Four ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.
- 9. We will look at the Recycling Service Plan at the next meeting.
- 10. Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Hartman to pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$92,207.37, checks #30415 through #30450. Roll call vote with four ayes, 1 absent, motion

## COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

John Small wondered if anyone has noticed a difference in their water. He will have his checked and let

Riley mentioned the Countywide meeting May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Hartman and seconded by Riley to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 am.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

## Beaver Creek Township Special Meeting May 13, 2016

The Beaver Creek Township Board held a special meeting on Friday evening, May 13, 2016, at 6:00 pm.

Those present: Ashton, Hartman, Van Nuck, Little and Riley. There were 12 guests present.

The purpose of the meeting was a workshop held by Attorney Greg Meihn covering several areas that he felt the board needed education in.

Attorney Meihn discussed the new Marihuana Ordinance, the Do's and Don'ts of Hiring and Firing, the township assessor going on resident property and many other items.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

#### Beaver Creek Township Board Special Meeting May 17, 2016

The Beaver Creek Township Board held a special meeting on Tuesday evening, May 17, 2016. It was called to order by Clerk Hartman at 7:00 pm. Those present: Hartman, Van Nuck, Little, Riley, Deputy Supervisor Raybuck and Fire chief Weatherly. Absent: Ashton.

The purpose of the meeting was to work on the budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Comments from the Audience should be added to the agenda.

Discussion regarding recycling for the upcoming fiscal year with many questions if American Waste is hired to do our recycling:

- 1. Would American Waste come to a meeting to answer questions?
- 2. Riley would like to see sorting operation; can this please be set up?
- 3. Cardboard recycling? Can it be in separate trailer? Trailer currently owned by county?

It was not decided what figure to put in the recycling line items yet. The board would like some questions answered first.

Put money in the budget for a building inspection, why is the south office so cold in winter? Check windows. Little would like Chris West of West Heating & Cooling to do it.

Do 101's legal fees include work done for the fire department? If so, separate that out as 206 needs to pay for it.

The fire chief gave us Revenue figures and some changes to the Expenses for 206.

No Comments from the Audience.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk