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# BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 14, 2012

The Beaver Creek Township Board held its regular monthly meeting on August 14, 2012 at 7:00 pm. Board members present: Ashton, Balmes, Summers, Little and Hartman.

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

#### **MINUTES:**

Motion by Little and seconded by Balmes to approve the minutes from the July 10, 2012 regular meeting and Election Commission meeting. All ayes, motion carried. One correction to July minutes under Healthcare Ordinance: Treasurer asked if 20% was going to be taken out the firechief's pay and Clerk said no.

# TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by Ashton and seconded by Little to accept the treasurers report as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

# CLERK'S REPORT:

At the August 7, 2012 primary election, we had 531 voters from approximately 1,300 registered to vote in the township. We had 39 spoiled ballots at the polls with that many replacements issued. Four ballots were duplicated. The clerk and election workers had many complaints about all the signs on the driveway election day. Complaints were also heard about the behavior of some of the candidates who turned the day into a "circus".

The election workers did an excellent job, working 18 hours. At the end of the election, the board members will most likely stay the same with Sharon Priebe representing the township as our new commissioner.

#### SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

The supervisor passed out a proposed "Noise Ordinance" for our review. The Board of Review met in July to correct clerical errors. The tire cleanup is set for September 15, 2012 at 9:00 am at the Crawford County Road Commission building.

### H.L.U.A:

The supervisor reported that there were only three board members present and not much new business.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT:

1. The Reverse 911 System is being completed with Sue Medler getting the information back in order. There will be a field test and an exercise to meet MIOSHA and EPA requirements.

2. The fire chief made a statement regarding the sale of the 1987 fire truck. The truck has not been in operation and stored in a pole building behind Charlie Ficks house. The history is that when the fire department had an accident with one of their trucks, the insurance company had to supply another fire truck and could not find any trucks to rent or loaners. It is \$500 per day to rent a truck, so it was agreed that we could rent a truck until the \$20,000 insurance allowance was used up and then the township would get the title for said truck. We used the fire truck for approximately one year. Then, ads were put in appropriate papers to sell the vehicle, even lowering the asking price to \$10,000, but no takers. It became apparent that the only use for this truck was going to be by a collector as the truck is 25 years old. A man came from Canada on election day, who the fire chief had been talking to for several months, drove the truck, and laid \$5,000 cash on the table as his offer. The fire chief states that he should have had board action, but did not believe the buyer would return and wanted to sell the truck, so he took the cash for the truck. He ended by requesting that the board codify his action.

# DPW:

Testing being done on water hydrants. The compactor at the transfer site is holding around 2,300 bags at this time.

# PLANNING & ZONING:

Six zoning permits were issued, with normal number of complaints. Bank owned properties are still a problem.

# **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1. Public Notice
- 2. BCT vs Guay
- 3. Consent Judgment
- 4. Animal Control Report
- 5. Paul Compo letter
- 6. Central dispatch stats
- 7. Letter from Cindy Olson

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. The Sheriff's Department has asked each township to adopt the Noise Ordinance as presented. Supervisor states that we need time to read the proposed ordinance. The Supervisor's Group will get together next week to review it.
- 2. Discussion regarding the basketball and tennis courts. Estimate of \$18,000 to fix both. It was suggested that since we are fixing the roof this year that we look at this when budgeting next year.
- 3. Discussion regarding roofing of the community center. At our last meeting we accepted a bid, but found out later it was only for half of the roof. Balmes motions to rescind her motion to do the roofing for \$5,300. Little seconds the motion. All ayes, motion carried. Three contractors have submitted sealed bids to do the work:

Clark Construction \$ 9,250

Steve Nelson Bldg. \$10,330

Ingelson Roofing \$ 8,200

Motion by Balmes and seconded by Little to accept the bid from Ingelson Roofing in the amount of \$8,200. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried. The work is to be done yet this year.

- 4. Healthcare Ordinance discussion. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Summers to have fire chief get caught up on 20% withholding on healthcare from January 2007-June 2007 and from June 30, 2011 to present. Ayes: Balmes, Summers. Nays: Ashton, Little, Hartman. Motion failed.
- 5. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Little to spend up to \$700 for battery backups recommended by our IT service. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Zoning request by zoning administrator for mileage and cell phone reimbursement. Put on next months agenda.
- 2. Motion by Balmes and seconded by Little to have necessary front end work done to the township pickup at Upper Lakes and also purchase four new tires, not to exceed \$1,000. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.
- 3. Motion by Little and seconded by Hartman to replace the transfer site and maintenance person. Pictures were given to the board showing that the cemetery had not been mowed, nor trash removed from the community center grounds. Max Meisner asked to go into closed session to discuss the motion. When we returned to the regular meeting a vote was taken on the above motion, ayes: Little, Hartman, nay: Ashton, Balmes, Summers. Motion failed.
- 4. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Little to pay the AP in the amount of \$13,036.55, check #27423-#27458. Roll call vote with all ayes, motion carried.
- 5. Motion by Little and seconded by Ashton to support the sale of the fire truck by the fire chief. Aye: Ashton, Little, Hartman. Nays: Balmes, Summers. Motion carried.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

There were many comments from the audience.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Sharon K. Hartman Clerk