

**BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 13, 2016**

The regular monthly meeting of the Beaver Creek Township Board was held on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 10:00 am. Board members present: Ashton, Hartman, Van Nuck and Riley. Absent: Little. There were 11 guests present. Attorney Meihn was also present for the first part of the meeting.

**AGENDA:**

Motion by Van Nuck and seconded by Riley to change #1 under New Business to Fire Department. Four ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

Motion by Riley and seconded by Van Nuck to approve the minutes from the August 9, 2016 meeting. Four ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Motion by Hartman and seconded by Riley to approve the financial report. Roll call vote with four ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

**ATTORNEY MEIHN:**

Attorney has been working very hard on documents and letters for the Grayling Charter Township/Beaver Creek Township Utilities Authority to provide easements. The EDA Grant has been approved.

We will have a report from MIOSHA in 30-90 days.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Motion by Hartman and seconded by Riley to allow the treasurer to attend the MTA "On the Road" class October 17<sup>th</sup>. Four ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

**CLERKS REPORT:**

Absentee ballots should be available on September 24<sup>th</sup> and straight party voting has been added back onto the ballot so a voter can vote straight party.

Risk Management has requested that the clerk's office check driving records through the Secretary of State's Office and the program has been implemented.

**SUPERVISOR REPORT:**

The supervisor has attended several meetings.

**HIGGINS LAKE UTILITIES AUTHORITY:**

The manager had reported several issues: algae on the pond, weeds in excess of 6", and the hay fields not producing. After much discussion, the manager, Wade Trim and myself will have a meeting with the DEQ, possibly on October 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss issues.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

The fire department has had approximately 14 calls for ground fire and electric power lines (5 in one day). The fire department has done only one Fire Wise inspection so we need to get the word out that the inspections are available.

At a fire chiefs meeting, mutual aid agreements are being updated and they will come to us in writing.

A Homeland Security Grant is being worked on to get new 800 radios funded, which are the handheld portables that are in each truck.

The CPR training has been completed. Also working on different procedures for Risk Management and working with MIOSHA.

**DPW REPORT:**

There were three hauls from the transfer site this month and we received a check for \$167.00 for metal.

**PLANNING/ZONING:**

Mr. Johnson reported 23 permits issued this year, compared to 20 last year. He is working on blight issues and has attended a class on zoning issues.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Further Consideration Letter
2. GCT/BCT Utilities Authority Application

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Because of complaints at the fire department, motion by Hartman and seconded by Van Nuck to appoint the township attorney to investigate and interview the fire department personnel and report back to the board at the October meeting with a plan of action. Roll call vote with four ayes, one absent, motion carried.
2. Discussion regarding the repair of the trail into the Pere Cheney Cemetery with prices to repair; \$3,800 from Milliken's and \$2,450 from S & J Excavating. Are there any grants being applied for? No. Can Metro Funds be used for this? A street light will be put up when Consumers can get to the cemetery after improvements. Motion by Ashton and seconded by Riley to spend \$2,450 and have S & J Excavating repair the road and parking area into the Pere Cheney Cemetery. Roll call vote with ayes: Ashton, Van Nuck, Riley. Nay: Hartman. Absent: Little. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Hartman and seconded by Van Nuck to have Election Source do our election testing and set up for the November 8<sup>th</sup> election, cost in the amount of \$370.00. Roll call vote with four ayes, one absent. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Riley and seconded by Hartman to pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$54,965.80, checks #30882 through #30918. Roll call vote with four ayes, one absent. Motion carried.

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Balmes feels owner of property surrounding cemetery should pay for road, per Ordinance.

Motion by Hartman and seconded by Riley to adjourn meeting at 10:45 am.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk