

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BUDGET HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 12, 2011**

Supervisor Kurt Kiessling called the April Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board to order at 7:00 P.M. Also present for the board were Amy Cook, Clerk; Debbie Trevino, Treasurer; Ed Magnus, and Mike Marr, Trustees. Bill Nelson and Joanne Strahm were absent. Approximately ten (10) people were in the audience. Brad Thomas was present for the Water Department and Dave Matzke was present for the Fire Department

**March 8, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes were discussed.
PASSED Motion by Trevino seconded by Magnus to approve the March 8, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes.**

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Trevino to approve April invoices of \$263,206.97.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: 7:06-7:06pm

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Magnus to accept Your Way quote of \$29,952 for the Birch Run Township Lawn Mowing Bid for the first year per quote submitted.

Yeas: Trevino, Marr, and Magnus

Nays: Cook and Kiessling

PASSED Motion by Magnus seconded by Marr to approve going to the MTA Worker's Compensation Self Insurance fund effective July 1, 2011.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Magnus seconded by Marr to enter into closed session with the Township Attorney to discuss litigation.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Magnus seconded by Marr to resume the regular meeting at 8:10pm.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

Regular meeting resumed at 8:10pm

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Magnus to accept council's recommendation with respect to the pending litigation involving Birch Run Township, Village of Birch Run, and Village of Birch Run DDA.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Magnus to allow park committee to buy diamond dust for the park ball diamonds not to exceed \$1,500 which includes the leveling work involved.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Magnus seconded by Marr to accept the contract for accounting services from Andrew Kushion for \$30.00 per hour at 16 hours per month.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Magnus seconded by Cook to approve budget amendments per Attachment A as amended.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: Marr

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Magnus to approve Ordinance 2011-01 (Birch Run Township Planning Commission Ordinance).

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Magnus to allow the Taymouth/Birch Run Jaycees to use the Township Park on April 23, 2011 for the annual Easter egg hunt.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Magnus to approve Resolution 2011-07 (Resolution to Delegate Capital Improvement Plan Responsibility).

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Cook seconded by Magnus to accept the quote from Abraham and Gaffney of \$10,700 for Birch Run Township auditing services for three years.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling

Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Marr seconded by Cook to approve the Village of Birch Run and Township of Birch Run Seventh Amended Agreement for Police Protection Services.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling
Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Trevino seconded by Cook to close bids for the assessing contract for Birch Run Township. A committee consisting of Kurt Kiessling, Debbie Trevino, and Amy Cook will proceed with interviewing. The board will take action at the May meeting.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Marr, Magnus, and Kiessling
Nays: None

PASSED Motion by Magnus seconded by Cook to adjourn at 9:47 pm.

Yeas: Trevino, Cook, Magnus, Marr, and Kiessling
Nays: None

Amy Cook
Birch Run Township Clerk
Approved: May 10, 2011 _____