

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 14, 2015**

Clerk Corey Trinklein called the ~~June~~ *July* Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present for the board were Debbie Trevino, Treasurer; Ed Magnus, Pam Moore, Fred Sheridan & Brady Totten, Trustees. Approximately 4 people were in the audience. Others present were Brad Thomas for the Department of Public Works, David Matzke for the Fire Department and Jeanette Morrish for the Library. Supervisor Ray Letterman was absent.

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Sheridan to approve the July 14, 2015 Agenda as presented.

Yeas: Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus

Nays:

June 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes were discussed.

PASSED: Motion by Trevino seconded by Totten to approve the June 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended.

Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Trevino

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve Invoices through 7/8/15 totaling \$123,868.56.

Yeas: Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Trevino, Sheridan

Nays:

PUBLIC COMMENT: 7:02 p.m. to 7:02 p.m.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Corey Trinklein – Presented Clerk's July Financial Reports. Informed board of complaints regarding the race track and the request of a resident to implement a noise ordinance. Informed board of work to be done on the Zehnder Drain by the Saginaw County Public Works Commission.

Debbie Trevino – Presented July Treasurers' Report. Had an issue with transfers last month but has corrected them and everything is all set. Tax collection is under way and the first distribution has been made.

Brady Totten – Was at a CVB meeting this month and it was mostly hotel items. In August the Birch Run CVB getting 75% of the hotel tax is supposed to be in front of the County Services Committee.

Fred Sheridan – The roof on the park pavilion is now done. Talked to Lisa regarding meeting to discuss grant writing possibilities.

Pam Moore – Thank you to the Fire Department and the Library for their efforts at the 4th of July Parade. The Rotary is selling raffle tickets to win a new car or cash prize.

Ed Magnus – No Comments

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

DPW – Brad Thomas reported that ROWE Engineering Proposal for a new Watermain line down Downing Road and Dehmel Rd. Needs to have a new Capital Improvement Plan to the DEQ in 2016. The park benches that were donated by the Village are now out in front of the Library, at the cemetery and at the park. Park pavilion has some work that needs to be done to it, the electrical and plumbing are getting very old.

Fire Dept. – Dave Matzke reported they served 600 hot dogs after the parade. Last month there were 38 calls. Mid-June there was a tornado that hit ~~recently~~ *locally*. There was quite a bit of damage along the path, ~~the Fire dept. received~~ Mutual aid from Frankenmuth, Taymouth and Clio ~~came to help~~.

Library – Jeanette Morrish reported Summer Reading is drawing to a close. 135 kids were reading 1,866 books. There was some ice cream left over from the 4th of July events.

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Moore to approve the noise variance for the Birch Run Moose Lodge to extend the ending time from 10:00pm until 2:00am.

Yeas: Moore, Magnus, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Moore to approve the Chamber of Commerce's Special Event Permit for the Blues, Brews & Barbeque August 21st & 22nd and waiving the application fee.

Yeas: Magnus, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore

Nays:

TABLED: Motion by Moore seconded by Totten to approve tabling Ordinance #2015-01 (Outdoor Restaurants) and sending it back to the Planning Commission for review.

Yeas: Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve Resolution #2015-05 (Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds for the Fire Department Building).

Yeas: Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Moore to approve increasing the water hookup fee for a paid-off water line from \$4,000.00 to \$5,500.00 effective August 1st, 2015.

Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Trevino

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Totten to approve Eric Construction to repair the force main at Webster Rd. & Farrand Rd. at an estimate of \$38,117.00 with the cost to be split with the Village of Birch Run with the money coming from the General Fund and the Sewer Fund will owe it back to General.

Yeas: Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Sheridan

Nays: Trevino

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Sheridan to approve the fee agreement with attorney Debra S. Kauten.

Yeas: Moore, Magnus, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Sheridan to approve sending out for bid for the removal of trees located at 11235 Dixie Hwy. by Wednesday August 8th with bids being given to the Clerk.

Yeas: Magnus, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore

Nays:

PUBLIC COMMENT: 8:50 p.m. to 8:52 p.m.

Kurt Kiessling asked how much money has been spent on the new Fire Hall project.

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to adjourn at 8:53 p.m.

Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Trevino

Nays:

Corey Trinklein

Birch Run Township Clerk

Approved: August 11, 2015 _____