Budget Hearing / Regular Meeting March 10, 1998

The Budget Hearing of the Birch Run Township Board was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Harold Johnson. Also present for the board were Sheila DiBerardino, Clerk; Nancy Henige, Treasurer; John Jankowski, and Cheryl Hadsall, Trustees. Absent were Edward Magnus and David Stewart, Trustees. Approximately thirty (30) people were in the audience.

The board and audience were given the opportunity to discuss the budget. Motion by Hadsall, supported by DiBerardino to approve the budget, Resolution 98-2. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by Jankowski to adjourn the budget hearing at 7:05 pm. Motion carried 5 - 0.

The Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board was called to order at 7:05 pm by Supervisor Harold Johnson.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by Jankowski to approve the minutes of the February 10, 1998 Regular Meeting. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Hadsall to pay current invoices totaling \$34,407.46. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Scott Rausch presented a copy of the petition against the Growth Management Plan.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Hadsall to approve the Township DDA budget: Revenues \$62,100 Expenditures \$62,100. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Henige, supported by Jankowski to table financial policy statement to April meeting. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Henige, supported by Hadsall to approve First of America as main depository for Township funds. Motion carried 3 - 2.

Yes: Henige, Hadsall, Jankowski

No: Johnson, DiBerardino

Motion by Hadsall, supported by Jankowski to set the second (2nd) Tuesday of each month for township regular board meetings. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by Jankowski to set the following closing dates for the township center for fiscal year 1998-1999: April 10, May 25, July 3, August 4, September 7, November 3, 26, 27, December 24, 25 and January 1 and for the library: April 10, 11, May 25, July 4, August 4, September 7, Novemer 3, 26, 27, December 24, 25, January 1. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Jankowski, supported by Hadsall to authorize the Clerk to pay invoices through fiscal year end March 31, 1998. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by DiBerardino to approve up to \$270,000 for purchase of new fire truck and authorize supervisor and clerk to sign necessary paperwork. Motion carried 4 - 0. Jankowski abstained.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Jankowski to confirm appointment of Jim Orlando to the Planning Commission, a term to expire 3-10-2001. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Hadsall to hire Audrey Lewis as Library Director at \$12.62 per hour, employee at will; and Jeanette Moorish as Assistant Library Director at \$9.62 per hour, employee at will. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by Jankowski to hire Berthiaume & Co. to audit Township's financial statements for fiscal year 1997-1998 for \$2745. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by Jankowski to hire J K Custom for lawn maintenance for \$12,000 annually. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by DiBerardino to hire Clean-Up for cleaning services - \$55 per cleaning of township center and \$70 per cleaning of library. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Carl Slemer of Cinema Hollywood addressed the meeting on a proposed liquor license transfer. Supervisor Johnson proposed a committee meet with Mr. Slemer to address concerns of board and public, and that a special meeting would be necessary to vote on the request since Mr. Slemer indicated the filing deadline is before the next regular meeting of the board. Motion by Jankowski, supported by Hadsall to table the liquor license transfer at this time. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Village Police DARE Officer Robert Brancheau requested the township's support of a Canine Unit for the Village Police Department. Motion by Jankowski, supported by Hadsall to approve \$1000 for the Canine Unit. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by DiBerardino to approve \$2000 for 1300' of tile and 5 catch basins on Busch Road near Dehmel Road. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Jankowski to approve Resolution 98-3, a Resolution declaring an interest in a Countywide Cooperative Agreement. Motion carried 4 - 1.

Yes: Johnson, DiBerardino, Hadsall, Jankowski No: Henige

Supervisor Johnson presented a letter from the Village Manager asking the Township to financially participate in the purchase and installation of a SCADA system for the water system. The cost to the Township would be \$47,700. The board took no action on the request.

Motion by Hadsall, supported by Jankowski to adjourn at 8:42 pm. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Sheila DiBerardino Birch Run Township Clerk