

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014**

Supervisor Ray Letterman called the September Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board to order at 7:00p.m. Also present for the board were Corey Trinklein, Clerk; Ed Magnus, Pam Moore, Fred Sheridan & Brady Totten, Trustees. Approximately 2 ~~person~~ *people were* in the audience. Others present were Brad Thomas for the Department of Public Works, Dave Matzke for the Fire Department & Jeanette Morrish for the Library. Absent Debbie Trevino, Treasurer.

**PASSED:** Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve the September 9, 2014 Agenda as amended.

**Yeas:** Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman

**Nays:**

August 12, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes were discussed.

**PASSED:** Motion by Magnus seconded by Totten to approve the August 12, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

**Yeas:** Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Magnus, Letterman

**Nays:**

**Abstain:** Moore

**PASSED:** Motion by Totten seconded by Sheridan to approve Invoices through 09/08/14 totaling \$83,180.96.

**Yeas:** Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan

**Nays:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** 7:03 p.m. to 7:03 p.m.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

Corey Trinklein – Presented September Revenue & Expenditure Report.

Ray Letterman – Questioned whether all DDA payments have been made to ensure that DDA account is correct. Re-wrote application to the County Road Commission for the Burt Rd. project. There is a joint culvert on Townline that was sent to County Road Commission.

Brady Totten – A DDA meeting has been set for September 16<sup>th</sup>. What would the Township Board like to see the DDA contribute to as the next big project.

Fred Sheridan – AYSO would like to see if the Park Commission would like to look at getting grants for extended parking. He would like to also get direction if the Township would like to continue using the Park Commission or if they should disband and have DPW take over.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Brad Thomas – Valve exercises have now been completed. Starting after October the fire hydrants will start to be flushed and winterized.

Dave Matzke – Last month they responded to 48 calls. Last month there was a person in full arrest and 10 minutes later he was brought back. There is a new person, Don Little, who would like to join the Fire Department. Pancake breakfast will be on September 28<sup>th</sup> from 8 am until 1 pm.

Jeanette Morrish – Newsletter was presented for September through December. Next week the new book shelves will be picked up. This week they received their penal fine money from the state. Need a new circulation program to work on the new computers.

**PASSED:** Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve *the appointment of Don Little* to the Birch Run Township Fire Department.

**Yeas:** Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Magnus to approve the purchase of a new Library Circulation Program not to exceed \$3,500.00; transferring the money from Library Savings.**

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

**Nays: Letterman**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve the September Budget Amendments as presented.**

**Yeas: Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore**

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve the resignation as of 9/18/2014 Mike Marr as part-time office worker.**

**Yeas: Letterman, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus**

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve the appointment of Mike Marr to the Planning Commission effective 9/19/2014.**

**Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman**

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Moore to approve Resolution #2014-08 (Resolution of Lodge, Association or Other Similar Organization)**

**Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman**

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Sheridan to approve repainting the Pumper Fire Truck #7 not to exceed \$21,581.00 from Precision Fleet Image from the Fire Fund Savings.**

**Yeas: Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan**

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve giving Dave Matzke a \$1.00 per hour raise for all positions starting with the current pay period.**

**Yeas: Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Trinklein**

**Nays: Moore**

**Abstain: Totten**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Totten to approve asking the Planning Commission to look at language regarding tree placement near property lines on new properties.**

**Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman**

**Nays:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT: 9:17 p.m. to 9:19 p.m.**

**Marianne Nelson – MDOT is re-decking the Birch Run Rd. I-75 overpass.**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to adjourn at 9:19 p.m.**

**Yeas: Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein**

**Nays:**

**Corey Trinklein**

**Birch Run Township Clerk**

**Approved: October 14, 2014 \_\_\_\_\_**