



## **BRUCE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

**November 14, 2019**

Call meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members: R. LaJoie, C. Marsh, D. Rogers, M. Pins, W. Pulfrey

Greetings - Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments - limit 3 minutes – C Person protested the pruning of the trees at the Township Hall.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Rodgers and supported by Pins to approve the October 10, 2019 regular Meeting Minutes. Motion was approved.

Pay Bills – Motion by Rodgers and supported by Pins to approve paying of the bills (check numbers 10235-10265) for a total of \$17,367.14. Motion was approved.

County Commission Report – None

Reports of Special Meeting -Marsh attended MTA meeting in St Ignace and was informed about road issues, and how to make your Township Board a legend. Pulfrey attended 2 days of Election Officials Accreditation Training.

Zoning Administrator – 28 Permits

Assessor's Report: -None

Planning Commission Report – No Meeting. There was a presentation by Jason Kronemeyer. who has secured a three-county planning grant for updating internet access and connectivity?

Treasurer's Report - There were receipts of \$2843.02 and expenses of \$17029.94 and \$910,448.21 balance of all funds. Motion by Pulfrey supported by Rodgers to approve the report. Motion passed.

Clerk's Report –

A. Common Road Issues- for information only

B. Public Act 202- for information only

C. Update from Windows 7 to Windows 10 or higher – Assessor Laptop? Motion by Pins supported by Lajoie to purchase the assessor a laptop and backup data. Motion passed.

D. Assessor Contract Review – the current contract with our Assessor is outdated and the existing contract has a clause in it that will let us examine, evaluate and negotiate revisions that

are current with a 30-day written notice. Motion by Pulfrey supported by Pins to send the written notice to the Assessor, notifying her that a contract review of language is requested. And a work session will be set for a future date to evaluate proposed changes to the contract. Motion passed.

E. Reservation Proclamation Request- a letter was received from the United States Department of the Interior on behalf of the Sault Tribe. Providing official notice of putting tribal owned land in trust.

Firemen's Report – There was one call for power outage due to an accident. Also, there was a portable tank skid unit that was donated to the township by Mr. Dawson.

Ground and Park Report – The dock is out of the water now.

#### Old Business

- A. Hall Rental – Revised Hall Rental Contract was reviewed by the board and addition discussion involved more revisions that were needed. Motion by Pins supported by Rodgers to incorporate discussed revisions into the rental contract and make the contract effective 01/01/2020.
- B. Pavilion- The building at Dunbar needs to come down.
- C. Tribunal – Marsh entered into a contract with an attorney to represent us in this matter.
- D. Web Site concerns/progress – There was discussion on the progress relating to transferring Web Site from Lighthouse.net to Bruce Township via GoDaddy. A review of the Lighthouse Contract is needed to verify specification of funding for the Web Site.

#### New Business

- A. 2019 Township Paving Agreement – The Board of County Road Commissioners provided a Document detailing a new contract for paving of 7 Mile from Shunk Rd to Riverside. After much discussion a motion by Pins supported by Marsh to approve the contract for paving of 7 Mile from Shunk Rd to Riverside. Roll call vote was called, Rodgers yea, Pins yea, Marsh yea, Pulfrey yea, Lajoie yea. Motion passed. Marsh will also obtain bids to enhance East 11 mile and East 14-mile roads with ditches, tree removal, and gravel.
- B. Taxes can now be checked to see if your taxes have been paid online. Signing up for an account is needed. Taxes can also be paid by Credit Card also.
- C.

Public Comments – limit 3 minutes – Donaldson cemetery north documentation is now complete and a copy will be kept in the office.

Adjournment – A motion by Pins supported by Rodgers to Adjourn. Motion passed at 8:15 PM.