



BRUCE TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

March 10, 2022

Call meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members: C. Marsh, M. Pins, R. LaJoie, W. Pulfrey, J. Kronemeyer

Absent:

Greetings - Pledge of Allegiance

Board Meeting was recessed at 7:00 PM at the call of the Chair.

Upon returning from recess, the Board Meeting was opened at 7:04 PM.

Public Comments - limit 3 minutes, None

Approval of Minutes of February 10, 2022– Motion by Pins supported by Kronemeyer to approve the Minutes of February 10, 2022, as presented. Motion passed

Pay Bills – Motion by Kronemeyer supported by Pins to approve the bills (check #11185-11229 including 2 ACH payments for a total of \$26,510.15) as presented. Motion passed

County Commission Baron Report – Discussion regarding the County combining the County Clerk and the Recorder of Deed positions. There are counties which have combined the positions and it has worked well in some and badly in other counties.

Reports of Special Meeting - Board of Review Organizational meeting was held and property concerns of residents were addressed.

Zoning Administrator – 1 zoning permit request last month, letters of Zoning violations are being set.

Assessor's Report: - Property Classification had to be reviewed, based on Sales studies, the county tells the township how much each of the 3 classifications need to be adjusted.

Planning Commission Report – meeting on February 22, 2022. Working on reviewing the Master Plan, looking at things that may or may not be in place that could be harmful to the township. Broadband was also discussed. The next meeting will be on March 22, 2022, at 7PM.

Treasurer’s Report: LaJoie provided the Board with a balance sheet which showed the breakdown of the Bank accounts and the total of \$ 1,216,788.77 as of February 28, 2022.

Clerk’s Report –

- A. Cyber Insurance – the application has been submitted to our insurance company.
- B. May Election –there is a Pickford School Bond Request for those in the Pickford School District.
- C. ARPA Bank account – A motion by Marsh supported by Kronemeyer to place the ARPA Funds in a separate bank account at CSB as required by the State, with access by the Treasurer and Clerk. Motion passed
- D. Correspondence – Redistricting Plan has not changed for the Township of Bruce

Firemen’s Report - None

Ground and Park Report – MSU is not in favor of putting up a new pavilion at the Dunbar Park.

Cemetery – Nothing happening yet.

Old Business –

- A. Is the census count correct – We believe that Bruce Township has been miscounted by the current Census. The Clerk will follow up with EDC.

New Business

- A. Roads – Waiting information regarding the bridge on 12-mile road and other costs.
- B. Cloverland Grant of Franchise – Cloverland wants us to create an ordinance for a 30-year access period. General agreement was to have our attorney review and report back to us.

- C. Recycle Trailer – Marsh made a motion to raise payment for moving the Recycle Trailer from \$100 to \$120 per trip due to increased cost of fuel and repairs.
Motion passed
- D. County Combining the County Clerk and the Recorder of Deed positions.
Motion/resolution by Kronemeyer, supported by Marsh to provide the County Commissioners notice, that Bruce Township opposes the combining the County Clerk and the Recorder of Deed positions. Motion passed.
- E. The Assessor Chipman did a great service with the addition of information on Ratios and Inflation Rate Multipliers on the Board of Review notifications.

Public Comments – limit 3 minutes, a resident presented many issues regarding the Fire Department operations/leadership/training and the Township’s liability, it was determined that the subject would be placed on the next agenda to allow investigation into the concerns.

Adjournment –Motion by Pins supported by Kronemeyer to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM