

BURR OAK TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JULY 6, 2015 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: G. Letts, D. Porter, M. Gould, R. Baker, T. Cronkhite

VISITORS: D. Hutson, R. Ultz, D. Eaton, K. Decker

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Letts and supported by Gould to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Porter and supported by Gould to approve the June Meeting minutes. Motion passed.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Commissioner Don Eaton addressed the Board with a proposal to conduct an engineering study on the old Sheffield Building to see if it is structurally sound enough to rehab. Kevin Decker from the Decker Agency went over the renewal of the Township insurance policy.

INSURANCE RENEWAL: A motion was made by Baker and supported by Porter to renew our insurance policy with the Decker Agency and waive the Terrorism coverage. A roll call vote was taken; all members voted to approve.

SHEFFIELD BUILDING: The Board decided to advise Mr. Eaton he could count on the Township to participate financially with the study. He estimated a cost of approximately \$350 from 10 different interested parties to cover the costs. A motion was made by Baker and supported by Letts to pay up to \$350 for the engineering study on the Sheffield Building. Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A sales tax check was received for \$21,033. The following account balances were reported:

Checking	\$ 1,158.40
Money Mkt	<u>\$50,814.28</u>
	\$51,972.68

The following special account balances were reported: Air Pack - \$4633.21, Fire Truck - \$38,613.56, Building - \$15,002.04 & \$116,549.98, Cemetery - \$5379.45. A motion was made by Cronkhite and supported by Baker to receive the Treasurer's Report and place it on file. Passed.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Two land divisions were completed.

MILLAGE RATE REQUEST: A motion was made by Baker and supported by Letts to request the maximum allowable rate for operating without a special request. Motion passed.

TOWNSHIP HALL ROOF: A quote was received from Hoekstra Roofing to replace the flat roof system on the Township Hall. Another quote will be requested from another vendor to consider at our August meeting. Quotes on pitch roof quotes will also be considered.

FIREWORKS PERMIT: A motion was made by Letts and supported by Baker to approve a Fireworks Permit for Fred Wittung to display fireworks at the Burr Oak Heritage Days on July 25. There is no rain date. Motion passed.

ORDINANCES AMENDMENTS: A motion was made by Baker and supported by Letts to approve the recommended Ordinance Amendments as submitted by the Burr Oak Township Planning Board and reviewed at a Public Hearing. Amendments primarily make minor changes of wording to make the Ordinance clearer. These changes were made in all sections of the Ordinance. Changes to Section 1-Article 3, Section 2- 7.2, and Section 5-18.5 that pertain to temporary dwellings were more detailed but made for the same reasons – to make the Ordinance more clear. A roll call vote was taken; all members voted to approve.

CEMETERY: More trash barrels have been set out.

FIRE DEPT.: The new engine has been placed in the pumper truck. Cummins has acknowledged our complaint about the defective engine and will contact Rich next week. They are testing the old engine to make sure it was running on pure diesel.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: A motion was made by Baker and supported by Letts to pay bills amounting to \$21,081.68. A roll call vote was taken; all members voted to approve. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Tina Cronkhite, Township Clerk