

BURR OAK TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

October 2, 2017

6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Gould, G. Letts, J.J. Wells, R. Baker, M. Perry

MEMBER/S ABSENT: None

VISITORS: L. Thornton, Attorney, D. Hutson, Assessor

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved by consensus.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Gould to approve the September minutes and seconded by Perry. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letts talked about the foreclosure on the Falkenstein property. The township will put a lien on the taxes to try and recoup the money owed. Demolition is in process of the trailer on the property.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The account balances were reported as follows:

Money Market	\$ 40,426.92
Checking	\$ <u>5,214.72</u>
	\$ 45,641.64

A motion was made by Letts and supported by Baker to receive the report and place it on file. Motion carried.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Leaf Pickup at the Cemetery: The Village of Burr Oak made a proposal that they will pick up the leaves in the cemetery free of charge if they can use the area to the west to dispose of all leaves from the village and the township.

Snow Plowing Bids Needed: Letts will contact Ultz to get bids on plowing snow at the cemetery. This was tabled until the November 6th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kim of Lacey CPA reported to Letts that the audit is complete and will be at our meeting in November to bring us up to date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Cemetery – G. Letts will call R. Ultz because a sign needs to be put up stating “No Dumping Allowed” \$2,500 Fine with a cable crossing the dumping area.

Planning Meeting – October 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Fire Department – None

Ambulance Committee – Next meeting is October 26, 2017. Letts will call and find out why Baker isn't receiving emails.

Legal Updates:

Holtz property – Glenn cited on 8/21/17 for inoperable vehicles and the trailer must be removed. Mr. Holtz paid the citations.

Chuck McClain property – Letts spoke with Glenn to have him check out this property and wondered if we can revoke a provision given to him earlier. We are concerned about Amish children from the school next door crawling on cars, etc. and getting hurt.

Michaelsen property – Glenn saw refuse and Mr. Michaelsen chooses to live this way. Are we able to go back on the ticket issued in the past. The house is condemned. Lance Thornton's recommendation is that we immediately issue a citation under the "Property Maintenance Code."

Franchise Ordinance – Lance Thornton, Township Attorney, made several revisions. He saw the new ordinance that Sturgis Township adopted and recommended we do not adopt with election provisions, therefore, no action is further recommended.

64457 Needham Road – The citations issued by Glenn were paid and on 9/18/17 a compliance order was issued to remove the vehicle. The township will give them until 10/9 /17 to remove the vehicle and the trash in the garage. Mary Gould, Township treasurer received the insurance check made out to the Village and Lance recommended she return it to the insurance company and have them reissue it.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: A motion was made by Wells and supported by Perry to pay the bills amounting to \$19,855.07. A roll call vote was taken; all members voted to approve. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 P.M. The next meeting will be held November 6, 2017 at 6 P.M.

Jacquilyn Wells

Township Clerk