

**BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR & ANNUAL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

March 02, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor, Rodney Winkel called the meeting of the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Bainbridge Township Hall, 7315 Territorial Road. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT: R. Winkel, , D. Baiers, P. Hiler-Molter, N. Weber, J. Yetzke. / **ABSENT:** None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- **Consent Agenda** - Motion by J. Yetzke / N. Weber to approve February 10th, 2021 minutes as written and bills in the amount of \$17,367.94 (attached)

All in Favor - Motion Carried

POLICE REPORT:

- January, 2021 report was submitted, by mail, from Berrien County Sheriff's Dept. (attached)

PUBLIC COMMENT: OPENED -7:03 P.M. / CLOSED 7:20 P.M.

- Residents: W. Gadberry, R. Appelt, P. Justice from the Millburg Trailer Park expressed their concerns of the continuing trash problem, particularly at 370 Millburg. Hazardous waste, generators running all night from the Mike Emhjoff trailer, mice infestation and squatters in the park. . Supervisor, Winkel assured the residents he was working on all the issues. It was also noted that they would like the road condition to be reviewed by the board.

TREASURER REPORT

- Reported the interest rates on C.D.'s were very low, thus only reinvesting for 1 year terms as CD's become due. Pipestone Lake Assessment is on it's last year for payments. (attached)
Motion by D. Baiers / J. Yetzke to approve Treasurer's report.
Recorder called roll: Yes - D. Baiers, P. Hiler-molter, R. Winkel, N. Weber, J. Yetzke No – None **Motion Carried**

REPORTS/SUPERVISOR:

- **Assessing, Building, Electrical, Enforcement, Fire, Mechanical, Plumbing, Pride Care Ambulance** reports were received. (attached).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **Meeting Closed at 7:35 p.m. for Public Hearing**
- **Public Hearing Opened at 7:35 p.m.** – Budget Appropriations Act was presented for 2021-2022 along with the supporting Budget Worksheet. Supervisor stated that Bainbridge has never asked for a millage for roads or fire.
- **Public Hearing Closed 7:45 p.m.**
Regular Board Meeting Reopened at 7:45 p.m. - Resolution offered by J. Yetzke / D. Baiers to accept the Budget Appropriations Act 2021-2022
Recorder called roll: Yes - R. Winkel, N. Weber, J. Yetzke, D. Baiers, P. Hiler-Molter No - None

Resolution Passed.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (cont)

- **Cemetery Mowing Bid for 2021 -** Motion by N. Weber / J. Yetzke to approve Fardello's Mowing Service for 2021, which will include Hall, Ball Field, and Cemeteries..(attached)
Recorder called roll: Yes - D. Baiers, P. Hiler Molter, N. Weber, R. Winkel, J. Yetzke No - None **Motion Carried**

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Attorney - James McGovern** has replaced retiring Dave Peterson as the Township attorney.
- **Holiday Hours & Closings** – Township will follow 2021-22 Berrien County Calendar.
- **Agriculture Building Affidavit** - Motion by J. Yetzke / N. Weber to have Building Zoning Administrator, R. Rogien and Clerk, P. Hiler-Molter revise the presented form and resubmit to the Board at the April Meeting. **All in Favor – Motion Carried**
- **Sound Tiles** - Supervisor will consult with Wightman & Associates about the best avenue to take in installing sound absorbing tiles in the office area.
- **Fire Protection** - Supervisor and Trustee will go to Riverside/Hagar to assess their underground well system .Additionally, J. Hinkelman has offered his well on Park Rd. as a potential system for Bainbridge fire. Supervisor and Trustee will discuss this option with Sister Lakes Fire and Benton Township Fire Departments. The well pumps 385 GPM.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- **Opened 8:05 p.m. / Closed 8:05 p.m.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

- **Berrien County Resolution**

ADJOURN:

- Motion by J. Yetzke / N. Weber to adjourn meeting at **8:06 p.m.** **All in Favor - Motion Carried**

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Hiler-Molter, Clerk

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion of an item is required it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.