

BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 08, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor, A. Gardiner called the October 11, 2021 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 ringing of the bell and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT: A. Gardiner, P. Hiler-Molter, N. Weber, J. Yetzke / **ABSENT:** D. Baiers

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- Motion by A. Gardiner to eliminate from the Agenda the Board Appointments under New Business. - P. Hiler Molter / N. Weber motioned to approve request.(attached) **All in Favor - Motion Carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Opened 7:03 p.m. / Closed: 7:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

- Motion by J. Yetzke / P.H. Molter to approve October 11, 2021 minutes, as written, with bills & payroll in the amount of **\$64,356.00** (attached)

Recorder called roll: N. Weber, P Hiler-Molter, J. Yetzke, A. Gardiner / **Absent:** D. Baiers

Motion Carried

TREASURER REPORT:

- Treasurer reported on interest for month with Tax Notices to be sent December 1st. (attached)
Motion by P. Hiler-Molter / J Yetzke to approve eliminating United Federal Credit Union, Huntington Bank and keeping Honors Credit Union and 5th / 3rd Bank as the Township banking institutions.

Recorder called Roll: J. Yetzke, P. Hiler-Molter, N. Weber, A. Gardiner / **Absent:** D. Baiers

Motion Carried

REPORTS/SUPERVISOR:

- Assessor, Building, Electrical, Enforcement, Fire Dept., Sister Lakes & Benton Township, Mechanical, Plumbing, Pride Care Ambulance (attached)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Appoint Mechanical Inspector** - Motion by P. Hiler-Molter / N. Weber to appoint Ken Jewell as the new Mechanical Inspector. (attached)
Recorder called roll: J. Yetzke, N. Weber, A. Gardiner, P. Hiler-Molter / **Absent:** D. Baiers

Motion Carried
- **Gaming License Resolution** – Resolution offered by P. Hiler-Molter / J. Yetzke to recognize the Michigan State Horticulture Society as a nonprofit organization for the purpose of securing a gaming license. They will use this license for raffles to help support Fruit Growers and the “Great Lakes Expo”. (attached)
Recorder called roll: A. Gardiner, P. Hiler-Molter, J. Yetzke, N. Weber / **Absent:** D. Baiers

Motion Carried
- **Deer Path Excavating** - Motion by P.Hiler-Molter / J. Yetzke to accept bid for demolition at 370 Millburg Drive, Benton Harbor, in the amount of \$3,600. Demolition will be for trailer only, not yard items. (attached)
Recorder called roll: J. Yetzke, P. Hiler-Molter, A. Gardiner, N. Weber **Absent:** D. Baiers

Motion Carried
- **Update: American Rescue Act Plan*(ARAP)** – A. Gardiner & R. Schilke attended ARAP Meeting in Lawrence, regarding possible use of the funds.
- **Internet** – MEC has received a grant to put fiber optic lines in a large portion of the Township. Supervisor is hoping the we will be able to use the ARAP funds to supply the balance of the Township with fiber optic internet. Supervisor said by this time next year the Township will have internet service with cost from \$65 to \$100 for the areas MEC will be servicing.
- **Pipestone Lake** - Options were discussed regarding the ramp on Pipestone Lake. Ist would be to see if Mr. Merkel would deed the property to the DNR and if the DNR would take over the site and put in a new boat ramp. The 2nd option would be to have the residents create an Association and contribute annually to fund maintenance. This option would be possible if Mr, Merkel deeded the property to the Township and we applied for a DNR grant to put in a new boat ramp. A third option would be for the formation of an Association and they fund and own the ramp. Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor will continue to have discussions with Mr. Merkel and DNR about the options.
- **Deputy Supervisor**, R. Schilke reported that the drain issue, into Pipestone Lake where the drain flows into the lake, is mainly caused by beavers damming up the flow. Drain Commissioner, C. Quattrin, will be contacted as well as the DNR to review options.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Opened: 7:48 p.m. / Closed: 7:48 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Orchard Hill Sanitary Lanfill - (attached)
- State of MI = Indiana MI U-21127 (attached)

ADJOURN: Motion by J. Yetzke / N. Weber to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.

All in Favor

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 requested it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.