

REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 14, 1995

The February Regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Edward Magnus. Also present for the board were Sheila DiBerardino, Clerk; Nancy Henige, Treasurer; Larry Russell, David Stewart, and Joanne Strahm, Trustees; and James Totten, Manager. Gary St. Charles was absent.

Nineteen (19) people were in the audience.

Motion by Russell, supported by Henige to approve minutes of the January 10 Regular meeting as read. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Henige, supported by Russell to pay current invoices totaling \$30,526.42. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Comment: Tom Magnus, commander of the VFW post, asked the board to continue buying the flowers for veterans' graves.

Roger Mahoney of Spicer Engineering presented plat of Country Estates. Motion by Russell, supported by Strahm to approve the final preliminary plat review for Country Estates subdivision. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Russell, supported by Strahm to table agenda item "Cemetery Lawn Care". Motion failed 5-1.

YES: Strahm

NO: Magnus, DiBerardino, Henige, Russell, Stewart

Motion by Strahm to leave cemetery lawn care the same as it is, died for lack of support.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Henige to hire Arbor Landscaping for lawn care at the cemetery and park-20 cuttings at \$375 at the cemetery and 15 to 20 cuttings at \$375 at the park as determined by the manager; with Arbor showing proof of necessary liability insurance coverage. Motion carried 5-1.

YES: Magnus, DiBerardino, Henige, Russell, Stewart

NO: Strahm

Agenda item "Refinancing of FmHa Loan for Waterline" tabled by Supervisor.

Motion by Strahm, supported by DiBerardino to hire Berthiaume & Co. as township auditor for 3 years for the following annual fees: 1995--\$2565 1996--\$2650 1997--\$2745. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Russell, supported by Henige to reinforce board's motion of April 12, 1994, concerning George Schmunk's waterline, to have no discussion on this matter at the board level, only between the attorneys involved. Motion carried 5-1.

YES: Magnus, DiBerardino, Henige, Russell, Stewart

NO: Strahm

The board conducted a preliminary review of the proposed 1995-96 budget.

Trustee Joanne Strahm left the meeting at 10:07 p.m.

Motion by Henige, supported by DiBerardino to set grave opening charge to the funeral home at \$220.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Stewart to approve an Amendment of Agreement with Taymouth Twp. and Village of Birch Run for adjusting price for water, and authorizing the supervisor and clerk to sign this agreement. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Russell, supported by DiBerardino that any increase in water rate from City of Saginaw will be passed on to water customers. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Stewart, supported by DiBerardino to approve the appointment of Robert Brancheau, David Duffett, James Remender, and Brady Totten to the Birch Run Fire Dept. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Russell, supported by DiBerardino to set the salaries of township officers for fiscal year 95-96 as follows: Supervisor \$8000, Clerk \$12000, Treasurer \$10000. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Henige, supported by DiBerardino to set the annual meeting date as March 30, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. at the Birch Run Township Center, 8411 Main Street, Birch Run. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Russell, supported by DiBerardino to set budget hearing date at March 14, 1995, at 6:30p.m. at the Birch Run Township Center, 8411 Main Street, Birch Run. Motion carried 5-0.

A proposed Water Ordinance update was reviewed by the board.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Stewart to appoint Linda Gerskin and Debbie Parker as alternates to the Park Committee. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Henige to approve hourly pay rate for Helen Solak working as librarian aide at \$6.50 per hour effective April 1, 1995. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Stewart to approve removal of a piece of land 350' by 291' containing house and outbuildings from Connie Reed's PA116 agreement 73-34062-123132. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Henige to approve replacement of culvert on Maple Road for an estimated cost of \$1240. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Henige, supported by Stewart to adjourn at 10:57p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Sheila DiBerardino, Clerk
Birch Run Township