

PROPOSED MINUTES BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 8, 1985

The regular January meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor James Totten. Also present were Marcia Strong, clerk; Edgar Scharrer, treasurer; Alvin Block and James Dorr trustees.

Minutes of the December meeting were approved as read and mailed thru motion of Scharrer, supported by Block. Motion carried.

Bills as attached were presented by the clerk and approved thru motion of Scharrer, supported by Dorr. Motion carried.

Supervisor explained that new road formula requires township to pay 65% and the county 35% of road construction. Next year's road building projects were discussed. A motion to complete Canada Road between Beyer and Dehmel and to resurface Canada between Dehmel and Gera as the 1985-86 road projects was made by Block and supported by Dorr. Motion carried.

Supervisor explained that equalization department is requesting increases for agriculture of 4.74% commercial 9.41% and industrial 10/04%. These increases are due to sales studies.

A motion to reassess the township's commercial properties and to leave it to the discretion of the supervisor to hire someone to do this was made by Dorr, supported by Block. Motion carried.

The treasurer presented the following list of budget adjustments:

Elections from 2500 to 3000

Deputy Clerk from 350 to 1200

Clerk's office supplies from 1000 to 1400

Tax Collection help from 850 to 1800

Township utilities from 3000 to 4500

Township supplies from 250 to 800

Fire department supplies and equipment from 3500 to 8000

Fire department meetings from 120 to 600

Inspection office supplies from 500 to 6300

Township capital outlay from 2000 to 4700

A motion to amend the budget in the amounts requested by the treasurer by transfers from contingency fund was made by motion of Scharrer supported by Dorr. Motion carried.

Officers memorial plaques were discussed. Motion of Dorr, supported by Scharrer that clerk proceed with obtaining memorial plaques for previous township officers. Motion carried.

Audit was discussed. Clerk will contact auditors in relation to bids for one or two years.

Answering machine was discussed. The supervisor was directed to purchase an answering machine for the township.

Office hours were discussed. Various possibilities will be studied with decision to be made next month.

Gera Road resurfacing was discussed. Prospects for the project being accepted are promising.

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:20 by Dorr, supported by Block. Motion carried.

Marcia Strong, clerk
Birch Run Township