

BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 2017

Supervisor Ray Letterman called the February Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present for the board were Corey Trinklein, Clerk; Karen Parlberg, Treasurer; Pam Moore, Kurt Kiessling, Fred Sheridan & Brady Totten, Trustees. Approximately 8 people were in the audience. Others present were Brad Thomas, DPW/Water Supervisor; David Matzke, Fire Chief and Jeanette Morrish, Library Director.

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Moore to approve the February 14, 2017 Agenda as amended.
Yeas: Moore, Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein
Nays:

January 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes were discussed.
PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve the January 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.
Yeas: Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore
Nays:

January 17, 2017 Budget Workshop Minutes were discussed.
PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Sheridan to approve the January 17, 2017 Budget Workshop Minutes as presented.
Yeas: Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling
Nays:

January 24, 2017 Budget Workshop Minutes were discussed.
PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Kiessling to approve the January 24, 2017 Budget Workshop Minutes as presented.
Yeas: Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling, Letterman
Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve Invoices through 02-08-17 totaling \$188,954.14.
Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg
Nays:

PUBLIC COMMENT: 7:04 p.m. to 7:08 p.m.
Lynn Krzyzaniak – How does the Township decide how raises are handled.
Mark Major – The commercial buildings they own are for sale and ran into special use issues while trying to sell the properties.
Ted Valley – Wanted to remind everyone that the Best of Birch Run/Bridgeport is Thursday Night and the monthly luncheon is tomorrow.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Sheridan to approve setting the 2017-18 Budget Hearing for March 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Birch Run Township Government Room.
Yeas: Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan
Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve setting the Annual Meeting date to March 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Birch Run Township Government Room.
Yeas: Moore, Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein
Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve Resolution #2017-01 (Supervisor Salary) at \$19,000.00 as presented.

Yeas: Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve Resolution #2017-02 (Clerk Salary) at \$30,000.00 as presented.

Yeas: Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Sheridan to approve Resolution #2017-03 (Treasurer Salary) at \$30,000.00 as presented.

Yeas: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Moore to approve the Village of Birch Run and Township of Birch Run Thirteenth amended agreement for Police Protection Services.

Yeas: Moore, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten

Nays: Kiessling, Letterman, Trinklein

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Sheridan to approve the Village of Birch Run and Township of Birch Run Tenth amended agreement for Police Protection Services for the DDA district.

Yeas: Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Moore

Nays: Kiessling, Letterman, Trinklein

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Totten to approve changing the DPW/Water Dept. office hours to a rotating schedule with two employees working 4 days a week, 10 hours a day and one employee working 5 days a week, 8 hours a day beginning April 1st as presented.

Yeas: Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Totten seconded by Moore to approve having Brad put out for bids to upgrade the park pavilion.

Yeas: Parlberg, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling, Letterman

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Kiessling seconded by Parlberg to approve hiring A Little Off the Top lawn care company at a cost of \$415.00 per mowing for the cemetery and \$800.00 per mowing for the park.

Yeas: Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg

Nays: Totten

Abstain: Sheridan

PUBLIC COMMENT: 8:17 p.m. to 8:18 p.m.

PASSED: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Moore to adjourn at 8:18 p.m.

Yeas: Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Kiessling, Letterman, Parlberg, Sheridan

Nays:

Corey Trinklein, Clerk

Birch Run Township

Approved: March 14, 2017 _____