

BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 9, 2001

The January Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by Supervisor Earl Schlegel. Also present for the board were Kristine Tanner, Clerk; Debbie Trevino, Treasurer; Ed Magnus, , David Stewart, and Jeff Putnam, Trustees, Trustee Joanne Strahm-absent. Approximately fifty (50) people were in the audience.

December minutes were discussed and amendments made to include invoices and vote counts. Motion by Magnus supported by Stewart to approve amended December minutes.  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Stewart supported by Magnus to approve invoices of \$45709.01  
Motion carried 6-0

Board discussed purchase of property in front of Township Cemetery.  
Motion by Magnus supported by Tanner to purchase .27 acres of property in front of cemetery for \$54,703.15 including current property taxes.  
Motion carried 6-0

Board discussed purchase of additional property for future expansion. Supervisor will investigate.

Board discussed garbage pick-up for light commercial in the Township and Village. Supervisor to obtain further information and cost estimates.

Board discussed new Fire Truck and Supervisor suggested financing \$70,000.00 for 4 years. Citizen's Bank submitted lowest interest rate of 5.21%. Motion by Magnus supported by Putnam to accept Citizen's Bank bid for financing and authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign necessary documents.  
Motion carried 6-0

Birch Run Village Police Chief addressed the Board on possible police protection for the Township. Board indicated support for the idea and Supervisor will continue discussion with the Village.

Supervisor discussed possible inclement weather warning system in Northern part of Township. Fire Chief will check into this.

Motion by Magnus supported by Tanner to appoint Rick Moorefield to Township DDA.  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Stewart supported by Magnus to appoint Jim Totten to Township DDA  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Stewart supported by Magnus to appoint Jim Totten to Township Planning Commission  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Putnam supported by Tanner to hire law firm of Smith, Bovill, Fisher, Meyer & Borchard PC as Township Attorneys.  
Motion carried 6-0

Board reviewed amended Township Recreation Plan. Motion by Stewart supported by Magnus to approve resolution 2001-01, a resolution approving updated Recreation Plan.  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Stewart supported by Putnam to set Secretary wages at \$9.50/Hr, 40 hours per week, with 1 week vacation pay for first year and one additional paid vacation day for each additional year of service with a maximum of five additional days. Township holidays to be paid as part of the 40 hour wages.  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Magnus supported by Stewart to approve following Township Holiday's for 2001-2002 ; Jan. 15, Feb. 19, April 13, May 28, July 2, July 3, July 4, Sept. 3, Oct. 8, Nov.12, Nov. 22, Nov. 23, Dec. 24, Dec. 25, Dec. 26, Dec.31, Jan. 1, 2002, Jan. 2,2002, & Jan 21, 2002.  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Magnus supported by Tanner to approve \$12,000.00 Clerk computer update software.  
Motion carried 6-0

Clerk Tanner appointed Judy Goodman as Deputy Township Clerk.

Motion by Tanner supported by Magnus to set Deputy Clerk salary at \$12.00/hr.  
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by Stewart supported by Putnam to adjourn at 8:45 PM.  
Motion carried 6-0

Kristine Tanner  
Township Clerk