

BIRCH RUN BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 15, 2000

The August Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by Supervisor David Stewart. Also present for the board were Sheila DiBerardino, Clerk; Steve McKay, Treasurer; Cheryl Hadsall, Edward Magnus, Jeff Putnam, and JR Blehm, Trustees. Approximately fifteen (15) people were in the audience.

Motion by Magnus, supported by Hadsall to approve minutes of July 11, 2000 Regular meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by McKay, supported by Hadsall to pay current invoices totaling \$89,918.46. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comment: Onalee McNalley approached the board on support for the Playscape. Meals on Wheels asked for volunteers for their program.

Motion by McKay, supported by Hadsall to approve Resolution 2000-01 a franchise for DTE Energy and authorize the supervisor and clerk to sign the same. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Magnus, supported by McKay to deny the request to 11021 Elms Road to put a waterline across this property to Canada Road. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by McKay, supported by Blehm to approve \$9000.00 to current fiscal year's library budget for Internet service costs. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Magnus to approve appointment of Thomas Hudgins and Eric Hash to the Birch Run Township Fire Department. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Putman to approve \$70,000.00 increase to Fire Department budget for current fiscal year to buy 22 air packs, helmets, and an automatic external defibrillator. Motion carried 7-0.

Firefighter John DiBerardino was asked to bring cost estimates to the next board meeting for a brush truck/light rescue vehicle.

Motion by Magnus, supported by Hadsall to accept bid and approve for payment for two ball diamonds at the park for \$32,500.00 to DiBerardino Landscaping. Motion carried 6-0. (DiBerardino abstained).

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by McKay to approve requesting RC Associates submit a cost proposal to construct a skateboard facility at the Park. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by DiBerardino, supported by Putnam to approve and increase current fiscal years park budget \$135,000.00 to construct a sidewalk from village limits to township park. Motion carried 5-2. Yes: DiBerardino, McKay, Blehm, Magnus, Putnam. No: Stewart, Hadsall.

Motion by Magnus, supported by DiBerardino to approve Spicer Group proposal to design sidewalk to park. Motion carried 7-0.

Supervisor Stewart discussed road projects and will bring cost estimates to the board for several miles.

Clerk DiBerardino reported on the status of available lots at the cemetery, and the need to secure additional land for future use. The Clerk will pursue this issue, and make inquiries of neighboring property owners.

Motion by McKay, supported by Hadsall to adjourn at 8:35 PM. Motion carried 7-0.

Sheila DiBerardino
Birch Run Township Clerk