

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 8, 2002**

Supervisor Earl Schlegel called the January Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board to order at 7:00 P.M. Also present for the board were Debbie Trevino, Treasurer; Amy Cook, Clerk; Dave Stewart, Ed Magnus, Jeff Putnam, and Joanne Strahm, Trustees. Approximately 53 people were in the audience.

December Board Minutes were discussed and approved.

Motion by Jeff Putnam supported by Ed Magnus to approve December Minutes.

Motion carried 6-0-1 with Dave Stewart abstaining.

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Jeff Putnam to approve invoices of 169,333.24

Motion carried 7-0

Public Comments: 7:14-7:35

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Dave Stewart to authorize Earl to seek options from an Engineer concerning water issues/water loops in the Township. He can also collect estimates for the cost of a water loop that would be the most beneficial to the Township.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Jeff Putnam to approve Berthiaume and Company as the Township's accountant and auditors for the years 2002, 2003, and 2004.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Dave Stewart to approved Duane Jones Excavating bid of \$1,300.00 to repair and level two manholes in the Township Parking lot.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Jeff Putnam supported by Dave Stewart to send a copy of a proposed Blight Ordinance to the Planning Commission for review and public hearing.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Jeff Putnam to approve the following Township Holiday's for 2002-2003; January 21, February 18, March 29, May 27, July 3, July 4, July 5, September 2, October 14, November 11, November 28, November 29, December 24, December 25, December 26, December 31, January 1, 2003, January 2, 2003, & January 15, 2003.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Jeff Putnam to approve updating the Assessors' program to Equalizer and purchasing a camera for \$6,500.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Amy Cook to change the secretaries designation to Building Administrator/Clerical Administrator and to implement a raise from \$9.50/hr to \$12/hr, with 1 week vacation pay for the first year and one additional paid vacation day for each additional year of service with a maximum of five additional day. Township holidays will be paid as part of the 40 hour a week wages.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Ed Magnus supported by Debbie Trevino to adjourn at 8:35 P.M.

Motion carried 7-0

**Amy Cook
Township Clerk**