

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2014**

Supervisor Ray Letterman called the October Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present for the board were Corey Trinklein, Clerk; Ed Magnus, Pam Moore, Fred Sheridan & Brady Totten, Trustees. Approximately 8 people were in the audience. Others present were Brad Thomas for the Department of Public Works, Dave Matzke for the Fire Department & Jeanette Morrish for the Library. Debbie Trevino, Treasurer was absent.

PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Totten to approve the October 14, 2014 Agenda as amended.

Yeas: Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan
Nays:

September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes were discussed.

PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Magnus to approve the September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended.

Yeas: Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Totten
Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Totten to approve Invoices through 10/13/14 totaling \$186,364.52.

Yeas: Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein
Nays:

PUBLIC COMMENT: 7:03 p.m. to 7:08 p.m.

Kurt Keissling – Commented on his concern about the tone of the Trolley Line Trail meeting that he recently attended.

Lee Simms – Feels the Township Board should talk to Vienna Township regarding their trails due to the issues they are having.

Jay Reithel from MDOT – The funding for the trail is dedicated for non-motorized trail use and cannot be used to fix roads.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Corey Trinklein – Presented October Revenue & Expenditure Report.

Ray Letterman – Burt Rd. has been ground and shaped Gera Rd. to Block Rd.

Pam Moore – Was the tire grant e-mail a possibility or just informational.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Brad Thomas – The new DPW truck has arrived. Almost all the hydrants have been winterized. Working on the DDA guardrail costs. Going to try to get the drain at the park completed.

Dave Matzke – 33 calls last month. Wanted to thank the board members who came to the pancake breakfast. Had fire prevention at the school. Brought new set of spreaders using grant money to show the board members.

Jeanette Morrish – Story hour has started at the library. The Friends of the Library are now non-profit. The vendor craft show is coming in November. The Friends of the Library are sponsoring a Barnes & Noble Bookfair on October 25th. The Friends group always has an on-going book sale at the back of the Library. On Wednesday, November 5th the Library and the Friends of the Library are sponsoring the Chamber of Commerce After-Hours event.

PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve Resolution #2014-09 (Saginaw County 9-1-1 Communications Authority's Interlocal Agreement and By-Laws).

Yeas: Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore

Nays:

PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Totten to approve the new MMWA refuse collection rate of \$117.00 to be added to the 2015 taxes.

Yeas: Letterman, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus

Nays:

FAILED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve setting the November Board Meeting to November 12, 2014 in observance of Veterans' Day.

Yeas:

Nays: Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus

Abstain: Letterman

PUBLIC COMMENT: 8:39 p.m. to 8:43 p.m.

Lee Simms – What is the normal timeframe for when a check is received from an escrow account that it is cashed and clears the Townships' bank.

PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Sheridan to adjourn at 8:43 p.m.

Yeas: Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Sheridan, Totten

Nays:

Corey Trinklein

Birch Run Township Clerk

Approved: November 18, 2014 _____