

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
August 13, 2013**

Supervisor Ray Letterman called the August Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present for the board were Corey Trinklein, Clerk; Debbie Trevino, Treasurer; Ed Magnus, Pam Moore, Fred Sheridan & Brady Totten, Trustees. Approximately 13 people were in the audience. Dave Matzke was present for the Fire Department, Brad Thomas was present for the Water Department & Jeanette Morrish was present for the Library.

**PASSED:** Motion by Magnus seconded by Totten to approve the Agenda as amended.  
**Yeas:** Magnus, Letterman, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore  
**Nays:**

**July 9, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes were discussed.**

**PASSED:** Motion by Trevino seconded by Totten to approve the July 9, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.  
**Yeas:** Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein  
**Nays:**

**PASSED:** Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve Invoices through 8/12/13 totaling \$240,867.78.  
**Yeas:** Magnus, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten, Trinklein, Moore  
**Nays:**  
**Abstain:** Letterman

**PUBLIC COMMENT: 7:08 p.m. to 8:02 p.m.**

**Kurt Kiessling – Likes the addition of expanded comments in the minutes. Would like the Public Comment moved to the end of the meeting if there will be only one section.**

**Cheryl Hadsall – Invited Brian Wendling to come speak about drain maintenance and commented on the progress of the County budget and other county related issues.**

**Lee Simms – Asked if the Golf Course is already a done deal, the newspaper led him to believe that it was already decided and will be opening soon. He also asked if the drain commission is going to be working on the Burt Rd. project before any other areas.**

**Cheryl Gubbins – Wants to know if the Burt Rd. project is still going to get done this year and questions why it was slated to be started this year and has not been started yet.**

**Walt Rogner – Wanted to know what the thinking was behind changing the percentage of acreage needed to build an accessory building.**

**Tim Kelly – State Representative who wanted to know if the Township Board had any questions or comments and to let everyone know that he is always available to speak to.**

**Mike Szukhent – Wanted to give an update regarding the Blues, Blues & Barbeque and inform everyone that the Kelley Miller Circus will be held on Thursday August 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Brian Wendling – Wanted to address recent drain assessments that were sent out to the public. He stated that there are currently no projects on-going with the Drain Commission, the letters that were sent out are in regards to prior completed work.**

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

**Corey Trinklein – AT&T Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension. Discussed AT&T internet bill issues. The 2012-13 Balance Sheet and Expenditure Report from the auditors was discussed.**

**Debbie Trevino – Presented Treasurers Report.**

**Ray Letterman – Gave an update on the sign ordinance enforcement. Case regarding animals on Willard Rd. has been postponed.**

**Fred Sheridan – Gave an update on the progress of the playground at the Park.**

**Pam Moore – Commented that the Personnel Committee has gone by the wayside and would like to see it brought back.**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Brad Thomas – Gave an update on getting electric to the Water Tower and an estimated fill date.**

**Gave an update on the building plans and would like them sent out to bid. Would like a motion for bids for site excavation work.**

**Dave Matzke – Commented on mutual aid agreement and how it has helped the department out.**

**Jeanette Morrish – Gave an update on the number of participants at the summer reading program.**

**Kelly Miller Circus is coming on Thursday August 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Magnus to approve appointing Corey Trinklein, Fred Sheridan and Pam Moore to the Personnel Committee.**

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

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Trevino seconded by Magnus to approve sending the DPW Building plans out to Vassar Building Center for sealed bids.**

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

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Sheridan to approve sending out for at least three bids for site excavation work not to exceed \$30,000 for the DPW Building and to have the building committee choose the best quote and approve the work to start.**

**Yeas: Sheridan, Trinklein, Magnus, Letterman, Trevino**

**Nays: Totten, Moore**

**FAILED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Totten to approve renewing the ICON Time Systems yearly maintenance renewal plan in the amount of \$258.00.**

**Yeas:**

**Nays: Totten, Trinklein, Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Trevino, Sheridan**

**PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Trinklein to approve Resolution #13-04 (Saginaw County Mutual Aid Agreement).**

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

**Nays:**

**PASSED: Motion by Moore seconded by Letterman to approve Corey Trinklein as the Board Representative to the Birch Run Rotary Club provided that the MTA agrees that the Township can pay for dues.**

**Yeas: Moore, Magnus, Letterman, Trevino, Sheridan, Totten**

**Nays:**

**Abstain: Trinklein**

**PASSED: Motion by Magnus seconded by Trevino to adjourn at 9:28 p.m.**

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

**Nays:**

**Corey Trinklein**

**Birch Run Township Clerk**

**Approved: September 10, 2013 \_\_\_\_\_**