

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 15, 2011  
BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. Members present: Supervisor James Booth, Clerk Judy Berney, Treasurer Sue Avery, and Trustee Marian Buchanan. Absent: Trustee Janis Sanderson  
Others present: Fire Chief Kelly Smith, Assn't. Fire Chief Duane Roddy, Phil Durst (MSU Extension) and eighteen citizens.

**ITEMS APPROVED:**

Berney moved seconded by Buchanan to approve Oct. 18, 2011 Regular Mtg. and Nov. 3, 2011 Special Mtg. minutes as presented. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Passed.

Booth moved, seconded by Berney to approve Oct. 18, 2011 Election Commission Mtg. minutes. All Ayes.

Avery moved, seconded by Buchanan to pay township bills as presented. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent : 1 Motion Passed. Total \$10,235.69

Berney moved, seconded by Buchanan to allow treasurer to purchase necessary postage for tax collection. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Passed.

Booth moved, seconded by Berney to support MSU Extension with a Commitment of \$500.00. Ayes: 3 Nays: 1 Absent: 1 Motion Passed.

**REPORTS:**

**Treasurer's Report** was accepted. GF Savings \$154,117.48, GF Checking \$2,985.55, Cemetery \$3,628.10, Parks \$21,532.11, Roads \$60,903.51, Fire Savings \$39,533.23, Fire Checking \$643.78 and Fire Millage \$47,687.42. Treasurer requested approval to purchase postage for tax collection.

**Fire Report:** Fire Chief Kelly Smith gave report on department activity. Discussion on certification classes for one of the volunteer firemen.

**Supervisor/Assessor Report:** Supervisor is reviewing sales study from the county. One land division was approved. Board of Review will meet on Dec. 13, 2011 at 5 P.M.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Phil Durst, MSU Extension representative addressed the board concerning a support commitment of any dollar amount to help bridge the funding gap for the Oscoda County MSU Extension. Avery moved to support MSU Extension with a commitment of \$1100.00. No Support.
- Discussion on amending the deficiencies in the various budgets. Consensus of board was to wait until closer to the end of fiscal year.
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**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Question on cemetery burials of cremains as to if burial had to go through the township offices. The question was asked to which parks the Forest Service grants were applied. The grant monies will be used for both the Luzerne River Park and the Mio park.

**BOARD COMMENT:** None

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

Judy Berney

Big Creek Township Clerk