

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
AUG. 21, 2012  
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: Assn't. Fire Chief Duane Roddy, Sheriff Kevin Grace (8:44 P.M.) and sixteen citizens.

**ITEMS APPROVED:**

Buchanan moved, seconded by Avery to approve July 17, 2012 Regular Mtg. minutes.

All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Avery moved, seconded by Buchanan to pay bills as presented in the amount of \$30,330.92.

All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Buchanan moved, seconded by Berney to purchase air compressor from Albert Mundt for fire department. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Buchanan moved, seconded by Avery to grant permission to submit an application for RAC funding from the US Forest Service. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Booth moved, seconded by Berney to pay Assn't. Chief the Fire Chief's wages (\$358.33 mo.) while the Fire Chief is away on an extended absence. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Buchanan moved, seconded by Avery to refund deposit of \$25.00 for a funeral dinner at the Comstock-Nelson Pavilion. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Buchanan moved, seconded by Berney to adopt a policy allowing the use of Comstock-Nelson Pavilion for funeral dinners at no charge. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

**REPORTS:**

**Treasurer's Report** was accepted. GF Savings \$138,106.24, GF Checking \$4,103.54, Cemetery \$9,061.87, Parks \$52,593.74, Roads \$99,399.21, Fire Savings \$51,697.70, Fire Checking \$247.45 and Fire Millage \$95,790.20.

**Fire Report:** Assn't. Fire Chief Duane Roddy gave report on department activity. Bids for an air compressor were presented to the board. Motion was made to purchase used compressor at lowest bid of \$450.00 with recommendation from Assn't. Fire Chief. The department will have some new applicants to review soon.

**Supervisor/Assessor Report:** Supervisor reported that the park projects were in progress. The Mio Dam Park is waiting on the State of Michigan to be able to put out bids. Hope to let bids out in the fall and start project in the spring. The river park work is close to being done. There may be enough grant money left to gravel more of the driveway.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

Request to bury a pet remains in cemetery. Will address pet burials at another meeting.

Supervisor presented cemetery map to be registered.

Electrical bids for river park were presented. Board will get new bids with changes.

Board will have a special meeting on Sept. 4, 2012 at 7 P.M.

Oscoda County Treasurer sent letter on properties to be auctioned for board to have the opportunity to purchase. Consensus of board was no interest to purchase any of property.

Sidewalk proposals for Mio and Luzerne were presented. Board will discuss again.

Quote for networking computers in township hall was presented. Tabled for further bids.

Campaigning of any kind on township polling place property.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Next drug collection day is Sept. 29, 2012. The annual cancer walk held in August was again successful.

**BOARD COMMENT:** Trustee had request for a county ordinance on animal waste to address a complaint on neighbor throwing waste onto their property. Thank you notes for firework donation and flower containers in Luzerne.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

Judy Berney

Big Creek Township Clerk