

**BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 12, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Supervisor, Bill Hodge called the December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting of the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.; Bainbridge Township Hall; 7315 Territorial Road. The meeting began with the ringing of the bell by B. Hodge and the Pledge of Alliance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL:**

- **Present:** B.Hodge, P. Hiler-Molter, N. Weber, D. Baiers   **Absent:** J. Yetzke

**POLICE REPORT:**

- Report by Deputy, Jonathan Duther, Berrien County Sheriff's office. (attached)

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

- Motion by D. Baiers / N. Weber to approve agenda. **All in Favor / Motion Carried**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Opened 7:05 p.m. / Closed: 7:07 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Motion by P.Hiler-Molter / N. Weber to approve consent agenda, minutes of 11.14.16, bills/payroll of \$28,965.78 and additional mid month bills of \$29,289.13 (attached)  
Recorder called roll: P. Hiler-Molter, N. Weber, D. Baiers, B. Hodge   **Absent:** J. Yetzke           **Motion Carried**

**TREASURER REPORT**

- Balance sheet and summary of bills reviewed. (attached)

**REPORTS/SUPERVISOR:**

- **Assessor, Building, Berrien County Road Commission, Electrical, Enforcement, Fire Depts; Benton Township & Sister Lakes, Pride Care Ambulance** (attached)
- **Territorial Road Update:** There will be a Road Commission meeting on February 6, 2017 @ the Township Hall, open to the public for questions and answers regarding the Territorial Road Project.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **Mechanical/Plumbing Contracts:** Motion by D. Baiers / P. Hiler-Molter to re-approve amended contracts for Mechanical and Plumbing Inspectors.  
Recorder called roll: N. Weber, D. Baiers, B. Hodge, P. Hiler-Molter   **Absent:** J. Yetzke           **Motion Carried**
- **Review of Berrien County Animal Control Ordinance:** Public Hearing was cancelled. No action taken.

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Board of Review:** Motion by N. Weber / D. Baiers to re-appoint A. Scherer, J. Morlock, L. Smith as Board Members to the Board of Review for a term of one year beginning January 1, 2017.  
Recorder called roll: B. Hodge, N. Weber, P. Hiler-Molter, D. Baiers **Absent:** J. Yetzke **Motion Carried**
- **Landfill Management:** Landfill Management will increase our Dump Passes by 43cents per yard. (attached)
- **Insurance Policy Risk Review:** Installing an alarm system, cemetery signage, and social media coverage was discussed. No action taken.
- **Credit Card Signatures:** Motion by N. Weber / D. Baiers to remove J. Jollay/D. Grieser from credit card and assign B. Hodge and P. Hiler-Molter.  
Recorder called roll: N. Weber, B. Hodge, D. Baiers, P. Hiler-Molter **Absent:** J. Yetzke **Motion Carried**
- **Drain Re-Appportionments:** The Drain Commission will hold a Review on Yore & Stoffer Drain 569, December 21<sup>st</sup> at the Berrien County Ad. Center – 701 Main Street – St. Joseph, MI from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- **Election Recount Pay Rate:** Motion by N. Weber / D. Baiers to increase hourly wage for 3 Election Workers to chairman rate of \$14.25 per hour for the Michigan Re-count held December 10, 2016.  
Recorder called roll: N. Weber, D. Baiers, P. Hiler-Molter, B. Hodge **Absent:** J. Yetzke **Motion Carried**
- **Profit/Loss Budget Sheet:** Areas reviewed for amendments at the January meeting will be: Halls & Grounds, General Repairs, Attorney Fees, Public Safety, Ordinance, Demo Fund, and Planning Commission.
- **Re-zoning Request:** Motion by P. Hiler-Molter / N. Weber to send a “special meeting request” for zoning, by Modern Light Metals, to Planning Commission once the Land Division has been recorded.  
Recorder called roll: B. Hodge, P. Hiler-Molter, D. Baiers, N. Weber **Absent:** J. Yetzke **Motion Carried**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- **Opened: 8:00 p.m. / Closed: 8:08 p.m.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- **Letter:** Berrien County Animal Ordinance from Virginia Holden

**ADJOURN:**

- Motion by D. Baiers / N. Weber to adjourn at 8:09 p.m. **All in Favor**

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Patty Hiler-Molter, Clerk*