

**BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**MARCH 12, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Supervisor, Bill Hodge called the meeting of the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Bainbridge Township Hall, 7315 Territorial Road. The meeting began with ringing of the bell and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

**Present:** B.Hodge, J. Yetzke, D. Baiers, P. Hiler-Molter, N. Weber / **Absent:** None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

- Motion by D. Baiers / P. Hiler-Molter to approve agenda of 3.12.18.

**All in Favor**

**POLICE REPORT:**

- Sgt. M. Grimm, Berrien County Sheriff's Dept., gave January's report with handouts.

**PUBLIC HEARING (BUDGET) :**

- **Regular Meeting Suspended at 7:03 p.m.** - Supervisor handed out report and gave breakdown of 2018-19 budget. Motion by Clerk to amend budget with a reserve of \$20,000 for roof repairs, which would come from Equity Fund, was accepted. (attached)

**All in Favor**

**Public Hearing Closed at 7:09 p.m.**  
**Regular Meeting Re-opened at 7:09 p.m.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Opened: 7:09 p.m. / Closed: 7:15 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

- **Consent Agenda** - Motion by J. Yetzke/N. Weber to approve minutes of February 12, 2018 as written and bills in the amount of \$25,399.47 (attached)

Recorder called roll: D. Baiers, B. Hodge, J. Yetzke, P. Hiler-Molter, N. Weber

**Motion Carried**

**NORTH BERRIEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY:**

- Kristen DeHaan, Program Director, gave brief update, strategic plans, and a request for continued support. Board tabled request (millage renewal) due to blanks left on legal documentation. It will be resolved and approved at the next (April 9) Township Board meeting, (attached)

**TREASURER REPORT**

- Balance Sheet distributed and report of an increase in C.D. rate of \$300,000.00 from .25% to 2.17% by Honor's Credit Union. Tax collecting balanced with County and now books closed for 2017. (attached)

**REPORTS/SUPERVISOR:**

- Assessing, Building, Electrical, Enforcement, Mechanical, Pride Care, Sister Lakes Fire Dept. reports were given. Supervisor reported that “The Tech of SW Michigan” will come to give an assessment of computer system/server. Clerk, reported on the upcoming elections, with May being the first one. Concern for new equipment and program glitches might encounter extra expenses with computer programs to be compatible with election equipment. (attached)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Motion by J. Yetzke / N. Weber to approve contract and changed name for Mechanical Inspector to **Wilder Inspections, LLC.** (attached)  
Recorder called roll: N. Weber, B. Hodge, D. Baiers, J. Yetzke, P. Hiler-Molter **Motion Carried**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Motion by P. Hiler-Molter / D. Baiers to approve **Budget Amendment, 2017-18.** (attached).  
Recorder called roll: J. Yetzke, P. Hiler-Molter, D. Baiers, B. Hodge, N. Weber **Motion Carried**
- Motion by P. Hiler-Molter / J. Yetzke to approve **Budget Appropriations, 2018-19** with amendment of an additional amount from Equity Fund in the amount of \$20,000 for roof repairs. (attached)  
Recorder called roll: J. Yetzke, N. Weber, P. Hiler-Molter, B. Hodge, D. Baiers **Motion Carried**
- **School Proposals Voting - May, 2018** - Clerk said Township will do school election ballots for Coloma, Dowagiac, and Watevliet. Pipstone residents in Dowagiac district and Keeler residents in the Watervliet district will also be provided with ballots.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Opened 8:03 p.m. / Closed 8:17 p.m.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- State of MI – I & M Power U-18233
- State of MI – MI Gas Utilities U-18488
- National Weather Service

**ADJOURN:**

- Motion by J. Yetzke / N. Weber to adjourn meeting at **8:18** p.m. **All in Favor**

***Respectfully Submitted,***

***Patty Hiler-Molter, Clerk***