

**BOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2017 7:00 P.M.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Bowne Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, February 20, 2017 in the Historic Township Hall, 8240 Alden Nash Ave SE, Alto, MI 49302. Supervisor Wilcox called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Supervisor requested addition to the Agenda to add under New Business a request from Librarian Sandy Graham for "ROCK & READ". Motion by Supervisor Wilcox that we accept the request and amend the Agenda, supported by Clerk. Motion carried.

MEMBERS PRESENT: **RANDY WILCOX – SUPERVISOR**
 SANDRA L. KOWALCZYK – CLERK
 TAMMI WINGEIER – TREASURER
 DAVID FUSS – TRUSTEE

MEMBERS ABSENT: **ROBERT FLYNN – TRUSTEE**

OTHERS PRESENT: **PHIL DOUGHERTY – FIRE CHIEF**
 SANDY GRAHAM – LIBRARIAN
 DONNA BOELEMA - DDA SECRETARY
 JOSH MANNARD - INFRASTRUCTURE ALTERNATIVES

MINUTES: Motion by Treasurer Wingeier that the minutes of the January board meeting be approved as printed, supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT:	GENERAL FUND CASH	\$ 535,499.91
	GENERAL FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$ 48,846.76
	GENERAL FUND MONEY MARKET	\$ 131,833.51
	FIRE FUND CASH	\$ 87,304.52
	FIRE FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$ 182,978.23
	FIRE BUILDING FUND	\$ 39,029.19
	FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND	\$ 229,871.63
	SEWER FUND CASH	\$ 110,128.32
	SEWER FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$ 72,786.97
	SEWER BOND REDEMPTION BOND	\$ 195,076.82
	CURRENT TAX ACCOUNT CASH	\$ 478,452.65

Motion by Clerk Kowalczyk approving the Treasurer’s Report as printed, supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

MONTHLY BILLS DUE & PAYABLE FOR FEBRUARY 2017: Motion by Trustee Fuss that the monthly bills be allowed and paid as presented, supported by Clerk Kowalczyk. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND CHECKS #.10591-10632	\$ 47,845.02
FIRE FUND CHECKS #5871-5890	\$ 24,448.86
SEWER FUND CHECKS #2511-2515	\$ 21,013.89

CURRENT TAX ACCOUNT CHECKS #4153-4173

\$944,764.02

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Dougherty reported 24 calls for the last month. At a previous meeting the Chief had stated that 4 firemen would be attending the 120 hour MFR Training/EMT, however, the men did not know they were not being paid for the classes so he is asked the board of we would consider payment to these 4 firemen along with the 1 other that had completed the class in November, cost would be \$2040.00 per person X 5 = \$10,200.00. Motion by Treasurer Wingeier that we approve the payment to these 5 firemen, supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

YAMAHA 2017 ATV/SxS LAW LOAN PROGRAM AGREEMENT; Chief Dougherty explained about the ATV offer from Yamaha to use the vehicle for 150 days with our insurance coverage of \$500,000.00 and at the end of the 150 days, if we have not found it useful in rescuing hunters, fighting grass fires, etc. they will accept it back. The Chief will send in the application. Motion by Trustee Fuss that we authorize the fire chief to apply for the Yamaha 2017 ATV/SxS Law Loan program agreement, supported by Clerk Kowalczyk.

READING MONTH: Motion by Clerk Kowalczyk that we proclaim the month of March 2017 as Reading Month and encourage our residents to participate in the community's "Rock and Read" events, supported Trustee Fuss. Roll Call Vote – Ayes-Fuss, Wilcox, Kowalczyk, Wingeier. Nays-None. Supervisor Wilcox proclaimed the adoption of the "Rock & Read" for March.

TOWNSHIP BUILDING & MAINTENANCE:

Motion by Clerk Kowalczyk that we approve the bid from Maynards Water Softener Company, Caledonia MI, to install and service regularly in both the historical building and the offices at approximately \$3,000, seconded by Treasurer Wingeier. Motion carried.

LIGHT FIXTURE @CEMETERY: Motion by Supervisor Wilcox that we table this issue until later, supported by Clerk Kowalczyk. Motion carried.

SEWER REPORT: Josh Mannard of Infrastructure Alternatives reported that the plant was in permit compliance for the month of January. Work on the control panel continues at the manufacturer and we will receive notification when it's ready to be shipped.. He is getting bids for the new generator at the lift station location.

RESOLUTION #07-2017 TWP. OFFICIAL SALARY: Clerk Kowalczyk made the motion to adopt by resolution, 30 days prior to our budget meeting, the placing of the current salary amounts into the proposed budget 2017/2018 Supervisor-\$25,000.00, Clerk-\$40,000.00, Treasurer - \$37,000.00. supported by Treasurer Wingeier. Ayes: Fuss, Wilcox, Kowalczyk, Wingeier. Nays: None. Resolution approved.

SHERIFF'S REPORT 4TH QTR. & YEAR END. – Received & filed.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Treasurer Wingeier to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

Sandra L. Kowalczyk-Clerk
Twp. Clerk