

**BOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2018 7:00 P.M.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Bowne Township board of trustees was held in the Historic Township located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue SE., Alto, MI 49302. Supervisor Wilcox convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: **ROBERT FLYNN – TRUSTEE**

OTHERS PRESENT: **RICK VRIESENKA – FIRE CHIEF**
 TOM BENEDICT – DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
 SANDY GRAHAM – LIBRARIAN
 JANET VANWYCK – HISTORICAL COMMISSION REP.
 JOSH MANNARD – INFRASTRUCTURE ALTERNATIVES

MINUTES:

Motion by Treasurer Wingeier that the minutes of the September board meeting be approved as printed, seconded by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: GENERAL FUND CASH	\$299,380.62
GENERAL FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$ 49,353.23
GENERAL FUND MONEY MARKET	\$132,162.76
FIRE FUND CASH	\$ 69,025.25
FIRE FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$186,190.62
FIRE BUILDING FUND	\$ 39,062.17
FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND	\$249,011.85
SEWER FUND CASH	\$144,498.19
SEWER FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$ 73,629.26
SEWER BOND REDEMPTION FUND	\$ 81,045.45
CURRENT TAX FUND CASH	\$2,116.324.51

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

MONTHLY BILLS DUE & PAYABLE FOR OCTOBER 2018:

Motion by Trustee Fuss that the monthly bills be allowed and paid, supported by Clerk Kowalczyk. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND CHECKS #11412-11444	\$ 40,753.53
FIRE FUND CHECKS #6433-6464	\$ 34,720.22
SEWER FUND CHECKS #2621-2624	\$ 12,661.47

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Fire Chief Vriesenga reported 17 incidents for the month of September. Department members participated in Fire Prevention Month at the Alto Elementary which the kids really enjoy. This week Saturday they will be at the Boulder Ridge Animal Park for the seasons end. Chief Vriesenga put in a request for a new Chest Compression System the Lucas 3, version 3.1 from Physio-Control Inc. price of \$13,876.50 and 4 year Annual Preventive Maintenance and inspections for \$1,183.20.

Motion by Clerk Kowalczyk that we authorize Fire Chief Vriesenga to purchase the Lucas 3 Version 3.1 Chest Compression System and 4 yr. maintenance agreement for a total of \$15,059.70, supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

FREERPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Chief Yarger reported 10 incidents for the month of September. Training was in Emergency Vehicle Driving. No special events to report. Anniversaries for September – Lani Forbes 20 years.

PROFESSIONAL CODE INSPECTION REPORT: 3 PERMITS - Construction Value \$500,712.00

Mark Trieweiler-12850 64th Street SE-Deck/Porch, Steve Sutherland-8845 Wingeier Avenue-Pole Building, Doug Brower-11913 74th Street SE-New Residence.

MINUTES: DDA-Received & filed. HISTORICAL COMMISSION. Representative VanWyck reported that they will be receiving an old office chair from a prior Elmdale business to display & church windows. Christmas open house will be on Saturday, December 15th from 5 to 8 p.m. during the live “Nativity”. Commission again are requesting an addition to their building.

SNOWPLOWING BID FOR WINTER 2018-19:

Motion by Clerk Kowalczyk that we contract again with Bencker Construction LLC for \$4800 for snowplowing both the Fire Station and the Township Office and allow \$.42 per pound for salt, supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

ALTO SANITARY DRAIN REPORT:

Operator Mannard reported no significant issues or repairs at the plant for September. In October they were able to successfully install the new pipe into pond #5 to restore gravity flow between pond #4 and pond #5. No corrective actions were taken for September.

COMPUTORS AND TABLES: Clerk Kowalczyk reported the purchase of a new computer for \$633.68 and 2 adjustable tables \$1511.96 to be used for the election and the tables to be added to the conference tables.

TREE REMOVAL:

Supervisor Wilcox presented the board with the 3 bids he obtained regarding removal of the walnut trees (we keep the logs) on either side of the driveway, trimming of the large oak in the front yard and removing the tops out of 3 locust trees in the cemetery. Motion by Supervisor Wilcox that we contract with H.A. IRISH Tree Service at a price of \$1500.00 for this service, supported by Clerk Kowalczyk. Motion carried.

REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS ALBERT "COFFEE BREAK NEWS" received & filed.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Treasurer Wingeier reported that she has made the final sewer bond payment thus saving the township \$400,000 in interest. There was applause.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Treasurer Wingeier that the meeting adjourn at 7:35 p.m., supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

Sandra L. Kowalczyk
Bowne Township Clerk