

**BUTLER TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
FEB. 24, 2020**

Call-to-Order 7 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call of Officers -- Present: Supervisor Gary Smith, Trustee Janis Olney, Trustee Chris Brenner, Treasurer Deb Bracy and Clerk Linda Hammontree. None absent. Others present: Matt Ashenfelter, Velma and J.A. Cole, Eileen VanVleet, Erica Ewers, Jay Miller, Andrew Fink, Gary Hammontree, Donna Swanson and Rod Olney.

Public Participation: Matthew Fink introduced himself, as a Candidate for the position of State Representative for the 58th District.

Motion by Brenner/Olney to approve **Jan. 2020 minutes**. Approved.

Treasurer’s Report-Deb Bracy---General Fund: Beginning balance @ 4/01/19 \$68,311.78. Receipts: \$124,366.07. Expenditures: \$ (157,521.77). Balance @ 1/31/2020 \$35,156.08. Perpetual Care Fund: Beginning balance @ 4/01/19 \$867.73. Receipts: \$33.74. Expenditures: \$(15.90). Balance @ 1/31/2020 \$885.57. Total cash-on-hand \$36,041.65. Motion by Olney/Brenner to approve Treasurer’s Report. Approved.

Accounts Payable-Deb Bracy. Motion by Brenner/Olney to approve bills be paid. Approved.

Check	Payee	Reason	Amount
5992	Bailey, Hodshire P.C.	2019 Tax Prep 1099/1096 forms	\$ 40.00
5993	Decker Agency	2020/2021 Twp. Liability Ins.	3820.00
5994	Accident Fund	2020/2021 Twp. Work. Comp. Ins.	759.00
5995	Double E Enterprises	Assessing Services	872.00
5996	Linda Hammontree	Postage	56.00
5997	Michigan Election Resources	Ballot Marking Instructions	+ 19.95
Total of bills paid =			\$5566.95

Zoning Report-Matt Ashenfelter: Special Use Hearing (Landis) set for Mar. 16th, 7 P.M. ,with Planning Commission, for AG structure to be converted to a refrigerated storage building. ZBA Variance Hearing (Vanwyk) scheduled for Mar.19th, 7 P.M. addressing variance request for dwelling square footage. Violations: (Vanwyk) Small house built without permits and doesn’t meet square footage requirements for a dwelling. Motion by Bracy/Olney to approve Zoning Report. Approved.

Assessor’s Report-Erica Ewers: Notices of Assessments mailed 2.22.2020. Public Notices of B_O_R schedule to be published Feb. 25,26,+27. Continued collection of data from Equalization, Building Inspection, and Branch County Abstract & Title office. Hammontree/Bracy move to approve Assessor’s Report. Approved.

2020 Dust Control Resolution: Motion by Smith/Bracy to approve 2020 Dust Control Resolution, with Branch County Road Commission, of 1 application to all Twp. gravel roads for approx.\$11,000. Roll Call Vote: Smith AYE Brenner AYE Bracy AYE Olney AYE Hammontree AYE 5 AYE O NAY. Resolution adopted.

2020 Chipseal Cost Estimate: Motion by Bracy/Olney to approve 2020 Chip seal cost estimate of \$43,380.51 by the Branch County Road Commission for 3.03 mi. QuincyGrange Road (Jonesville Rd to Girard Rd). Roll Call Vote: Smith AYE Brenner AYE Bracy AYE Olney AYE Hammontree AYE . 5 AYE O NAY. Approved.

Litchfield Fire Dept. Report-Chris Brenner: 60% of budget used to date.

Headstone Repair Project: Motion by Smith/Bracy to suspend 2020/2021 budget amount for Head Stone Repair project. Approved.

Other matters: Jay Miller, Branch County Road Commission Manager, set to observe Robinson Road conditions.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 P.M.

Submitted by Clerk Linda Hammontree

Supervisor _____