

Butler Township Board Meeting July 22, 2013 - Butler Twp. Hall

Call-to-Order 7 P.M., by Supervisor Reggie Ivey. Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Supervisor Reggie Ivey, Trustee Janis Olney, Trustee Chris Brenner, Treasurer Deborah Bracy, and Clerk Linda Hammontree. Others present: Billie and John Pollack, Rod Olney, Gary Hammontree, Erica Ewers, Mr. and Mrs. Dustin Moore and Mike Moore.

July Minutes: Motion to approve July 2013 Minutes by Brenner/Bracy. Approved.

Public Comment - Sheriff John Pollack presented Sheriff's Report: Marine Patrol received donations of 1) Wax and polish of 4 patrol boats from Buff Your Boat 2) Bimini tops for patrol boats from a North Lake resident. July 9th, 2013 "County Jail Overcrowding State of Emergency" (Act 325 of 1982) was enacted by the County, On July 17th, 2013, 13 prisoners were released -- and 6 to be released July 18th, 2013, with sentences of all suspended, with the advisement that sentences would be reinstated should they be brought before the Court. Animal control singularly staffed, so response time may be slow. Complete report on file.

Commissioner's Report – Rod Olney: The County Board passed the Mutual Aid Agreement, establishing agreements between municipalities, for provision of assistance to one another. Marine Patrol is working with DNR and local groups, obtaining permits and replacing buoys. Several Personal Floatation Devices donated for temporary use by ill-equipped boaters.

Assessor's Report-Erica Ewers: Attended meeting where Lt. Gov. Brian Calley was guest speaker, highlighting new personal property guidelines. Commercial + Industrial personal property under \$40,000 taxable value to be eliminated from tax roll, beginning 2014. Further phase-outs to begin in 2016. One home value review, with taxpayer. Planning to re-evaluate this in 2014. July Bd-of-Review approved 2 petitions July 16th, 2013. Continued data entry, filing, and bi-weekly data collection from Equalization, Register of Deeds, Building Inspection offices. Property transfer affidavits + principal residence exemptions picked up once a month, at Branch County Abstract and Title office.

Treasurer's Report-Deborah Bracy: General Fund: Beginning balance @ 4/01/13 \$54,910.33. Receipts: \$47,365.16. Expenditures: \$(65,484.41). Balance @ 6/30/13 \$36,791.08. Perpetual Care Fund: Beginning balance @ 4/01/13 \$909.10. Receipts: \$7.02. Expenditures: \$(44.46). Balance @ 6/30/13 \$871.66. Total cash-on-hand \$37,662.74. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report Olney/Hammontree. Approved.

Accounts Payable-Deborah Bracy. Motion to approve bills to be paid Hammontree/Olney. Approved.

Check #	Payee	Reason	Amount
EFTPS	PNC	Bd.-of-Review Medicare	\$ 5.52
5123	Double E Enterprises	Assessing Services	645.00
5124	Area One Lawn Care	Lawn Maintenance	1100.00

5125	Litchfield Fire Dept.	1 st . Quarter Fire Protection	2212.00
5126	John Hancock	Pension Participation Fees	30.00
5127	Vernon Geer	1 Hour Bd.-of-Review July 16 th , 2013	11.08
5128	Eileen VanVleet	" " "	11.08
5129	Gary Hammontree	" " "	11.08
5130	Sheets LP Gas, L.P.	Tw. Hall Propane Fill	173.65
Debit Memo	Century Bank	Serv.Chrg.- \$16.93..... Dep.Slip Order \$45.51	+ 62.44
Total of Bills paid			= \$ 4261.85

Shook's Prairie Cemetery: Motion by Olney/Brenner to approve removal of shed and clean-up of fence row close to western headstones, by Lance Wiser (@ \$10 per hour manual labor). Approved. **Whig Cemetery Center:** Memorial plaque to be placed on Vicory Monument, by family members.

Litchfield Fire Dept. Report-Chris Brenner: Budget changes made for 2013-2014.

Other Matters: \$25 Check to Treasurer, from Frick Auto Repair and Towing, for 2013-2014 License-to-Operate Permit (Junk Yard).

Public Comment: Mr. and Mrs. Dustin Moore presented concerns with Zoning Restriction (5 acres section off for Building). Board recommended ZBA guidance.

Meeting adjourned: 7:42 P.M.

Submitted by Clerk Linda Hammontree