

BEDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES  
8100 JACKMAN ROAD, TEMPERANCE, MI 48182  
February 17, 2015  
7:00 pm

PRESENT:

Greg Stewart, Supervisor  
Trudy Hershberger, Clerk  
Paul Francis, Treasurer

Larry O'Dell, Trustee  
Paul Pirrone, Trustee  
Rick Steiner, Trustee  
Nancy Tienvieri, Trustee

The Regular Meeting of the Bedford Township Board was called to order by Stewart at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion was made by Steiner, seconded by Pirrone to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PRESENTATION**

*PRESENTATION BY BEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT NURSE ROXANN SATKOWSKI OF AN AED FOR BEDFORD TOWNSHIP HALL, A GRANT RECEIVED FROM THE MONROE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORITY*

Stewart spoke, introducing Roxann Satkowski, Bedford Schools District Nurse who explained the history of Bedford Heart Heroes, an organization she helped start with a goal of providing AED's to schools, public buildings, the police and fire departments. She applied for a grant offered by the Monroe County Emergency Medical Authority to provide an AED at the township hall, and her grant application was approved. She presented the AED to the board and offered to hold training classes for board members and employees. Board members expressed their thanks.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda contained the following items for approval:

Approval of the February 3, 2015 Township Board minutes.

Accept and place on file the General, Savings, Pooled Bunds and CD reports from the Treasurer.

Approve and place on file the Revenue/Expense report and Balance Sheet for the period ending January 31, 2015.

Motion was made by Hershberger, seconded by O'Dell to approve the consent agenda as published. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, O'Dell, Pirrone, Steiner, Tienvieri, Hershberger & Stewart. Nays: None. Excused: None

**NEW BUSINESS**

*REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING INVOICES*- Motion was made by Hershberger, seconded by Francis to approve the following vouchers for payment: General Fund-\$199,447.14, Fire District-\$10,443.91, Police Fund-\$103,024.95, Park Fund-\$529.43, Library Operating Fund-\$3,081.99, Enchanted Forest Debt Fund-\$14,795.77, Center Drive SAD-\$630.20, Sewer Operation & Main. Fund-\$2,313.725, & Trust & Agency Fund-\$1,026.26, for a total of \$335,293.37. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, O'Dell, Pirrone, Steiner, Tienvieri, Hershberger & Stewart. Nays: None. Excused: None

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE TENTATIVE PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR WATERFORD SUBDIVISION, PLAT III**

Stewart asked if anyone from the audience wished to speak to this issue.

Paul Podbielniak, 3062 Lennox Ct., spoke against approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Waterford Subdivision Plat III, citing safety issues.

Bob Kohls, 8274 Silver Ct., spoke against approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Waterford Subdivision Plat III, citing safety issues.

Carylon Anteau, 8364 Waterford, spoke against approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Waterford Subdivision Plat III, citing safety issues.

Pete Joyce, 3119 Lennox Ct., spoke against approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Waterford Subdivision Plat III, citing safety issues.

Don Anteau, 8364 Waterford, spoke against approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Waterford Subdivision Plat III, citing safety issues.

Bill Decker, Jr., 2798 Dean, developer of Waterford Subdivision, Plat III, addressed the issues raised by residents and answered questions from board members. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Tienvieri, seconded by Pirrone to table the approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Waterford Subdivision Plat III for further information regarding the wetlands issue, fire departments reasoning, and to investigate other alternatives for a second egress.

Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Pirrone, Tienvieri, Hershberger & Stewart. Nays: Francis, Steiner, & O'Dell. Excused: None

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Natalie Lake, 6698 Sandywell, read comments regarding various board and board member issues.

Steve Lennex, 7261 Forest Valley, questioned the Compensation Committees results regarding pay increases for elected officials, and stated he is against a pay increase for part time officials.

Loren Ruetz, 2816 Sanibel, spoke against approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Waterford Subdivision Plat III, and thanked the board for the improved maintenance of retention ponds.

Carylon Anteau, 8364 Waterford, again spoke to the Waterford Plat III issue, regarding room on the streets for buses.

Tim Janney, 3818 Consear, suggested board members be aware of the need speak into their microphones when talking so that they can be heard both in the meeting and on television.

George Sailer, 3254 Pleasant, asked about pensions and health care benefits for part-time employees, asking how it started and when.

Bob Kohls, , 8274 Silver Ct., again spoke to the Waterford Plat III issue, regarding congestion on the road.

Logan Tisdale, 1308 Brandywine, suggested speed limit signs need to be posted in all subdivisions, an ordinance is needed to address parking on roads, and stated he was encouraged by the interest in safety issues in Bedford Township.

**REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS**

Tienvieri – spoke to the Waterford Plat III issue, thanked the residents who spoke, and stated the board is a representative type of government.

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Pirrone – commented the board had voted against getting rid of the pension benefit for trustees, two years ago.

Steiner - spoke to the Waterford Plat III issue, documentation of the wetlands and suggested a zoning ordinance to add the 100 house for one egress rule.

O'Dell – questioned if the requirements for Waterford Plat III had been met and asked to have an attorney opinion of the board's standing on the issue.

Hershberger – stated approximately 30 residents attended the Master Plan Steering Committee Workshop on Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, and the results will go to the Master Plan Committee, then to the township board.

Stewart – stated he would respond to Sailer's questions, the Waterford Plat III issue was tabled, not turned down, and he would be bringing the union contract to the next board meeting for approval.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Trudy L. Hershberger  
Bedford Township Clerk

Garnet Francis  
Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary