

BEDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES  
8100 JACKMAN ROAD, TEMPERANCE, MI 48182  
May 1, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:	TC Clements, Trustee
Paul Pirrone, Supervisor	LaMar Frederick, Trustee
Trudy Hershberger, Clerk	Rick Steiner, Trustee
Paul Francis, Treasurer	Nancy Tienvieri, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Phil Goldsmith, Township Attorney

The Regular Meeting of the Bedford Township Board was called to order by Pirrone at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer led by Father Don LaCuesta of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion was made by Steiner, seconded by Clements to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Steiner, Clements, Francis, Frederick, Tienvieri, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda contained the following items for approval:

Approval of the April 17, 2018 Township Board Minutes;

Motion was made by Steiner, seconded by Francis to approve the consent agenda as published. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Steiner, Francis, Frederick, Clements, Tienvieri, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None

**PRESENTATIONS**

UPDATE FROM TIM CSURGO, MONROE COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSION ON THE TOLEDO AREA WATER AUTHORITY PROJECT – Csurgo updated the board explaining that the Toledo Area Water Authority does not have the support needed to move forward and so a Regional Water Board may be formed. The MCDC is looking at many options and scenarios, but it is a slow, ever changing process.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Logan Tisdale, 1308 Brandywine – spoke to the Monroe County Sheriff’s contract.

**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-\$74,242.73, Fire District-\$20,613.38, Police Fund-\$331.03, Park Fund-\$5,065.53, Transit System Fund-\$18,492.00, Library Operating Fund-\$2,119.34, Water Revenue Fund-\$800.00, Rehabilitation-\$30.00, Downtown Development Authority-\$154.20, Sewer Operation & Main. Fund-\$4,168.03, & Trust and Agency Fund-\$625.90 for a total of \$126,642.14. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Hershberger, Francis, Frederick, Clements, Steiner, Tienvieri, & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A DEVELOPMENT DESIGN STANDARDS ORDINANCE WAIVER FOR MONTRI ESTATES PUD – Frederick explained that Bedford Ordinance No. 65 has not yet been revised to reflect new construction materials which have been accepted by the MCDC. He also reported that the Planning Department is working to try and update these Ordinances. Motion was made by Frederick, seconded by Francis to approve the waiver of the Development Design Standards Ordinance No. 65 regarding drainage pipe materials required by the ordinance and that the installation of the storm sewers with this wavered product be in accordance with the pipe manufacturers’ specification and subject to approval by the Monroe County Drain Commission and the Township Engineer and that the granting of the variance will not be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to other property in the area in which the property and the installation is to be found. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Frederick, Francis, Clements, Steiner, Tienvieri, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE NOXIOUS WEED MOWING BID – Hershberger explained that only one bid was received, but it was from the same company used last year at the same price. Motion was made by Tienvieri, seconded by Steiner to approve the mowing contract with Schlegel Services in Temperance for \$45.00 per hour. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Tienvieri, Steiner, Frederick, Clements, Francis, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE 2008 FORD CROWN VICTORIA BID AND THE 2000 FORD RANGER PRICING – Four bids were received ranging from \$607.00 to \$1,206.00. Motion was made by Tienvieri, seconded by Francis to sell the 2008 Crown Victoria to Alan Hartman, 3185 Morocco, Ida for \$1,206.00 as-is, where-is, without any warranty. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Tienvieri, Francis, Clements, Steiner, Frederick, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

At a minimum bid of \$3,500.00, the 2000 Ford Ranger did not receive any bids. Motion was made by Steiner, seconded by Clements to reduce the minimum bid on the 2000 Ford Ranger to \$2,900.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Steiner, Clements, Frederick, Tienvieri, Francis, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO AMEND THE WORDING OF THE CURRENT MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF CONTRACT – Goldsmith spoke, explaining that at the COW meeting the Board discussed the need to clarify some of the wording of the current Sheriff's contract. Much discussion followed especially regarding which Board members should be involved in these meetings with Mr. Bosanac, the CFO for the County. Motion was made by Clements, seconded by Frederick to appoint Supervisor Pirrone, Trustee Frederick, and Treasurer Francis to work in conjunction with Township Attorney, Phil Goldsmith to clarify the language in the current contract with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Clements, Frederick, Steiner, Francis, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: Tienvieri. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO WAIVE CONFLICT OF INTEREST OF TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO DRAFT CHANGES/AMENDMENTS TO THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT – Because the County and Bedford Township use the same legal firm, a waiver was needed. Mr. Bosanac had stated at the COW meeting that he did not feel he would need to have legal counsel present at these meetings and if he did he would use another firm. Motion was made by Frederick, seconded by Clements to approve a waiver of the conflict of interest of Mr. Goldsmith's firm with respect to assisting the Township in its discussions with the county to clarify the language of the Sheriff's contract. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Frederick, Clements, Tienvieri, Steiner, Francis, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Logan Tisdale, 1308 Brandywine – spoke about the recent COW meeting and the Sheriff's contract.

#### **REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS**

Frederick – stated his name was erroneously omitted from the newspaper, but according to both the Township and County Clerks, he is a candidate in good standings running for the open Trustee position, he attended the Town Hall meeting on the Senior Center and will be meeting with the Supervisor to express his thoughts on it, and he disagrees with Mr. Tisdale regarding his comments on the Sheriff's contract.

Steiner – reminded residents to be aware and safe around motorcycles and bicycles, now that the nice weather is here.

Hershberger – the Buckeye Brainiac Session she attended provided some helpful information to the residents and she hopes the Communications/Media Committee can bring them back for further sessions, she reported there is no election this May but there will be one in August and November so if anyone is interested in being an election worker they should stop in at the Clerk's Department and fill out an application, and informed the residents that mosquito dunks are again available at the Township Hall and that Bedford residents with standing water can stop by and receive up to six dunks/month.

Francis – spoke to Tisdale’s comments stating he feels it is just a matter of interpreting the language of the contract which is the issue, and he mentioned he attended seven sessions at the MTA conference last week and it proved to be both interesting and beneficial for him.

Pirrone – mentioned he also attended the MTA conference, that May is Bike month and asked residents to be aware, May 19<sup>th</sup> is the date of the Bedford Bike Cruise, he is working to have a Blizzard Fest at Carr Park and St. Paul’s Church in December, is also working with the Civic Club to bring back the Summerfest, and is still waiting to hear on the Tap Grant.

Frederick – asked the Supervisor if these events were Township events with the Supervisor working on them as a Township Official. Pirrone responded they are not official Township events.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22

Trudy L. Hershberger  
Bedford Township Clerk

Nancy Gin  
Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary