

BURNS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING, DECEMBER 07, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order with Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call; Present, Adams, Cole, Granger, Mitchell and Ritter.

Cole moved, Ritter seconded approval of the agenda as written. Carried.

Adams moved, Ritter seconded approval of the Minutes of the November 2, 2009 regular meeting. Carried.

Treasurer Ritter gave the financial report.

Chief Musall gave the Fire Report saying there were 6 runs during the month. There 2 Mutual Aid's, 1 to Durand and 1 to Vernon Twp. Departments, both structure fires. There was a P.I. for a rollover; a motorcycle/deer P.I. and an ambulance assist. There was a chimney fire in the township.

Reviewing companies to contract with to conduct service and testing of our Cascade System is ongoing. The department assisted the Byron Schools with a Blood Drive held in the Fire Department truck hay. The department will be participating in the Shop with a HERO Christmas shopping events.

Tanker 811 is in for chassis repair and updates to the tank. Training consists of pump refresher, preparation for winter, MDOT high tension cable barriers on highways and we had 2 attend Fall Fire Classes at Houghton Lake.

Josh Schu and Karen Bowers were in attendance to update us on the Community District Library events. Karen attends to running the system in the Byron High School. Things are going well and attendance is up in the Community System as a whole.

Ritter moved, Adams seconded to pay the bills as presented. Roll Call: Ayes, Cole, Ritter, Mitchell, Granger and Adams. Carried.

Michael Oliver was moved by Mitchell, seconded by Adams for reappointment to the Burns Township Planning Commission for a term of 3 years, commencing January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. Carried.

Mitchell moved, Ritter seconded to appoint Tammy Gilbert to the Byron Sesqui-centennial Park Board for a 1 year term, commencing January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. Carried. According to the Park Board by-laws, all terms on the Board are for one year.

A proposal to Burns Township from BS & A Software regarding internet services in dissemination of public data was reviewed. This is a convenient way to display our Equalizer databases on the Web giving business professionals another way to access our data at any time.

Option A allows the municipality to use the Internet Services free of charge and BS & A Software will charge the users a convenience fee of \$2.00 per record. The municipality's yearly cost is free. The End User's cost for Assessing/Equalization System is \$2.00 per record. Comparable Sales Search-Assessing Records is \$2.00 per record and Tax System also \$2.00 per record.

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Option B consists of the municipality paying an annual service fee that covers the basic service, including general lookup of our Equalizer Data. With this option, users of the web pay nothing to view the available data. We can try it free for 3 months. The cost to us is based on the update frequency choices and based on approximate parcel count of 1,753. The update can be done daily, monthly or quarterly. The Assessing System Interfaces are optional with the same update schedules.

These systems will allow users from individuals, banks, escrow accounts and realtors, etc. to access our system at any time.

Mitchell moved, Cole seconded to accept the proposal from BS & A Software to use Option B of Equalizer Internet Services, free for 3 months, and go with a monthly tax update at a yearly cost of \$1,400. and a quarterly assessing update at \$525.00, total cost per year, \$1,925.00. Roll Call; Ayes, Adams, Cole, Granger, Ritter and Mitchell. Carried.

Granger moved to allow the VFW to use the hall to pack Christmas boxes on December 17, 18 and 19, seconded by Adams. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

DATED _____ APPROVED _____

CLERK Sharon Granger