

BURNS TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING, March 2, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Adams moved, Ritter seconded to approve the agenda as written. Carried.

Adams moved, Ritter seconded to approve the Minutes of the February 2, 2009 Regular Board Meeting. Carried.

Treasurer Ritter gave the financial report. She said that 82% of the Summer Taxes have been collected with about \$200,000. outstanding. Also, 89% of the Winter Taxes have been paid with about \$140,000. outstanding.

Chief Musall gave the Fire Report. The written report listed the monthly fire runs, with there being 8. Chief requested that truck maintenance voucher sheets be initialed by him or give him a copy of them. The maintenance is almost complete.

The 800 MHz radios will be installed in April and that is when Burns Fire "Goes Live" using only 800 MHz. He advised that the ABATE Motorcycle group organizes an annual Fire Prevention fund raiser with a Fire Department from Genesee County and Shiawassee County splitting the proceeds. The Burns Fire Department proposal was accepted to purchase SPARKY the FIRE DOG for our Fire Prevention programs, fund raiser motorcycle ride that will be held May 9, 2009.

Musall said the department needs approval to purchase the converter to utilize VHF radios to 800 MHz, the purchase of 4 pagers and the purchase of 4 sets of turnout gear. It takes 6 to 8 weeks for delivery.

Mitchell moved, Cole seconded approval to purchase a Converter for \$2,700. including installation. Roll Call: Ayes: Cole, Granger, Adams, Mitchell and Ritter. Carried.

Mitchell moved, Ritter seconded approval to purchase 4 Pagers at \$550.00, total cost \$2,200.00. Roll Call: Ayes: Adams, Granger, Ritter, Cole and Mitchell. Carried.

Mitchell moved, Granger seconded to purchase 4 sets of Turnout Gear at \$2,200.00 each, total cost, \$8,800.00. Roll Call: Ayes: Granger, Mitchell, Cole, Adams and Ritter. Carried. These purchases will be paid from the Fire Equipment and Apparatus Fund.

Musall advised the Board that our In-House fire training is current and that the Fire Academy classes is almost complete. March 23 starts review with April 4, being the practical exam at the High School. The last time we hosted the Academy classes was in 1999-2000.

During Public Comments, Don Thompson presented the Board with an MIA Flag from the VFW, for which he was thanked. Deputy Krugger and Commissioner Cole also gave some comments from their respective departments.

Granger moved, Cole seconded to pay the listed bills and other valid bills to come in during the month, due to end of Fiscal Year. Roll Call: Ayes, Granger, Cole, Ritter, Adams and Mitchell. Carried.

Mitchell moved, Cole seconded to offer the janitor cleaning of the hall to Ed Eshelman, at the same rate of \$13.00 per hour as the Hall Maintenance rate. Roll Call: All Ayes. Carried.

Under new business, Granger moved, Ritter seconded to approve the 2008-2009 Audit Contract with Demis & Wenzlick for \$4,100.00. Roll Call: Ayes, Cole, Ritter, Adams, Granger and Mitchell. Carried.

Granger moved, Ritter seconded approval of the Lawn Mowing contract with Bert DeClerg for 2009 for a total cost of \$2,000. This is the same price as last year. Roll Call: Ayes, Cole, Granger, Mitchell, Adams and Ritter. Carried.

Granger moved, Cole seconded to allow the VFW to use the hall on May 27th in the evening for a meeting. Carried.

Granger moved, Mitchell seconded to adjust the 2008-09 Fire Fund Budget, adding a page to Disbursements entitled Fire Barn Maintenance, 206-336-814 and budget \$2,200. and reduce the proposed ending balance from \$79,115.80 to \$76,915.80. Roll Call: Ayes, Adams, Granger, Mitchell, Ritter and Cole. Carried.

Granger moved, Adams seconded to amend the Legislative Budget in the General Fund from \$11,500. to \$12,500. Roll Call: Ayes, Adams, Mitchell, Cole, Granger and Ritter. Carried.

Granger moved, Mitchell seconded to amend the General Fund Building Maintenance Budget from \$5,000. to \$11,500. Roll Call: Ayes, Granger, Adams, Ritter, Cole, Mitchell. Carried. The reason we went over budget was because of roof damage due to ice buildup and the need for a new pressure tank on the well.

The supervisor said the board must adopt a new Poverty Exemption Income Resolution. This is necessary for the Board of Review meetings.

Sharon Granger moved, Garry Adams supported, the Township Board Resolution to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test. The following voted Aye: Adams, Cole, Granger, Mitchell and Ritter. Nays: None. Resolution adopted. The entire Resolution is placed on file.

Mitchell moved, Ritter seconded to allow the Supervisor to hire a Recording Clerk, if necessary, for Board of Review Meetings, at a rate of pay of \$10.00 per hour. Roll Call: Ayes, Granger, Cole, Adams, Ritter and Mitchell. Carried.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

DATED _____ APPROVED _____

CLERK Sharon Granger