# BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP April 12, 2018 BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP HALL

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Booth, Avery, McGregor, Mitchell, Mundt, Chief Roddy, Asst. Chief Shepard, Commissioner Kischnick, 19 electors

ABSENT: None

MINUTES – March 8, 2018 Regular Meeting, March 20, 2018 Budget Hearing, March 20, 2018 Special Meeting

McGregor/Avery to approve minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

## LIST OF BILLS

No additional bills; total invoices \$7,545.34.

McGregor/Avery to pay invoices as presented, totaling \$7,545.34. All ayes. Motion carried.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Huntington Bank contacted Avery re: putting all funds (General Fund, Fire, and Tax Collection in checking accounts rather than saving & checking and transferring to pay bills. There will be no fees, and interest will be paid on all funds in the accounts.

Tax collection is over, received payoff from County; only one personal property tax bill is unpaid. Account Balances: General Fund - \$297,317.89; Cemetery - \$31,952.02; Parks - \$93,059.49; Road Fund - \$149,143.62; Luzerne Fire - \$27,234.65; Fire Millage - \$133,512.70.

# FIRE REPORT

Firefighters responded to four fires, including one fatality fire. Because of the moisture levels, the Forest Service says we're in good shape for fire season this year. Had an electrician in to check out the compressor on the SCBA fill station, determined Consumers needed to replace the transformer which will be done soon.

Two firefighters in training, which will be completed early May. (FFI – Dekun, Brian Roddy) Tanker fuel leak repaired, and shock absorbers need to be repaired on Truck 4. Bid received from Blair's for shock repairs totals \$224.12.

Avery/McGregor to authorize shock absorber repairs on LVFD truck 4 at Blairs, total amount of \$224.12. All ayes. Motion carried.

Firefighters will be visiting the Amish Gerber Road school to put on a safety demonstration for the students. There will be a walk-thru at AMI to familiarize firefighters with the facility layout.

# SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

County equalized Tuesday, assessments are complete.

Ellis issued a ticket, and started work on blight enforcement again.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Utility Authority – Nothing out of the ordinary; some high water charges because of run-water order.

MTA cancelled this month.

# **BLIGHT OFFICER REPORT** – No Report

# **OLD BUSINESS - None**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 2018 Dust Control Program Road Commission Contract received, \$16,964 per application.
  - Mitchell/Mundt to accept Road Commission contract for dust control, \$16,964 per application. All ayes. Motion carried.
- 2018 Sign Replacements listing received From Road Commission. Holtz Rd. is a private road and residents pay for that; the speed sign and park entrance sign are for River park. Mitchell/McGregor to authorize Booth to sign the contract with the Road Commission to replace missing signs. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Bids Fitch Electric At fire hall, some breakers were replaced and that bid was authorized by Booth. Proposal to run electric to garage was \$2500. No action taken on that bid waiting for estimate for addition, then have the electric installed in that area also.
- Cemetery Sexton Mundt requested Lyle Heeg be appointed cemetery sexton as he's become very familiar with the cemetery.
  - Avery/Mitchell to appoint Lyle Heeg as cemetery sexton. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Luzerne Fireworks Independence Day Saturday, June 30.
  - Mundt/McGregor to authorize Booth to sign permit for Luzerne Independence Day fireworks. All ayes. Motion carried.
  - Avery/Mitchell to donate \$500 each to Mio and Luzerne Independence Day activities. All ayes. Motion carried.
  - Mitchell/McGregor to authorize Booth to sign permit for Mio fireworks when the application is received. All ayes. Motion carried.
- WEX Credit Cards saved \$42.50 the first month in taxes with the WEX cards.
- Grant requests for playground
  - Avery/Mitchell to authorize McGregor to sign grant requests for Comstock Park. All ayes. Motion carried.

## MAIL:

- Letter from DEQ Re. Luzerne Express Campground Mark Patullo adding 25 sites at the Luzerne Express campground.
- Request for comment EPA We received the request for comments after our March board meeting but the notice was posted here at the office. Can we request the status of the permit application from EPA, Merit, or DEQ indicating the application will be withdrawn and the well capped. Booth will make a request from the EPA to send us a copy of the letter indicating the application has been withdrawn.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Lengthy comment regarding the noticing of oil well installation, injection wells, etc.

# **BOARD COMMENT:**

Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m.

Rhonda Mundt Township Clerk