

Billings Township Special Board Meeting
March 12, 2012
Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Larry Grell, Dan Zunich, Carl Malott, Larry Nelson, Brian Johnson = Absent (Vacation)

Meeting called to order, 7:00 pm Pledge of Allegiance by Larry Grell

Agenda : Larry N. Made motion to accept the agenda as is, Seconded by Carl M. All in Favor, MC

Approval of last meeting minutes with minor typos being fixed. Larry N moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Carl M. all in favor, MC

NOTE: BILLINGS TOWNSHIP AND GLADWIN COUNTY WERE IN A TORNADO WARNING AREA AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING. THE TOWNSHIP HALL STAYED OPEN TO PROVIDE SHELTER FOR PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE TRAILOR PARK AND ANY OTHERS. THE FIRE CHIEF WAS MONITORING THE SITUATION VIA RADIO.

Approval of Bills to be paid:

- Dan Z. commented that The garbage auto pay bill receipt did not come in time for the meeting but put last month's bill in the report for reference.
- Larry N made motion to accept the bill as submitted seconded by Carl M.. Roll Call Vote: All Voted Yes, MC

Fire Department Report:

- Al V. reported several runs were made last month and a fire took down a garage today with no injuries reported.
- New addition to Fire Hall will be going as Planned
- NOTE: MEETING WAS INTERRUPTED FOR A SHORT TIME WHILE STORM REFUGIES CAME INTO THE HALL FOR SHELTER.

WWTP report:

- Dave D. from plant is on vacation, assistant Kent noted all things are running normally.
- Septic receiving station is still on track with permits going to DEQ.

Commissioner's Report: not present at the meeting.

Planning – Al Hanna: not present at the meeting.

Correspondence:

- Dan Z. Reported that a letter from the county assessment department stating that mistakes were made on the printing that was not the fault of Billings Township.
- Other correspondence was about some training advertisements and junk mail.

Old Business:

- Budget meeting on March 22, notice went to news paper. Next budget meeting is on March 15th 2012 at 5:00pm, We may need an additional meeting before March 22 to complete the rough draft.
- New Board of review members were sworn in by the Township Clerk the morning of March 6th 2012 before the Board of Review started.
- Cell Phone Tower, Larry N. stated that they should be starting construction in the spring.
- Garbage Roll Drops for two parcels was completed with a resolution. Dan Z made motion to accept the 4 parcels that were approved at last month's meeting and adding the 2 new parcels for a total of six parcels being included in one resolution. This was seconded by Larry N. Roll Call Vote, All voted yes. (Note, these roll drops were because the owners had 2 lots and only should be assessed for one lot.)
- Dan Z. made up resolution paperwork to remove Dirk Athey's parcel number 030-140-009-035-00 from the REU sewer roll that was approved for removal at last month's meeting. Resolution was offered by Larry N. and seconded by Larry G. with Roll Call Vote and all voting yes last month. Note: This resolution can only cover the time period of tax year 2011 and forward. Not anything before. This does not remove the overall sewer assessment from this parcel.
- FEMA Meeting was held at the county level- noted that the maps are still being created with some being done.
- Wixom Lake Dam work project looks like it will start in June of 2014 and go through October of 2014. The lake level will be dropped by 8 feet to complete the work. Note: It was brought out that the work will not start unless the Dam owners have the money to complete the repairs.

Public comment:

- Julia Nephew spoke about The assessors \$25.00 per card fee and that is should be Past that catch up point by now. Larry N and Dan Z. commented that there is one more check due next month that will complete this issue of past due cards and that the payments were spread out over time. All new assessment evaluations have been completed.
- Julia also commented on how good the hall paint job looks and good job to all that worked on it. Dan Z. Stated that the cost was way less that what bids we had and that Larry G. worked a lot of unpaid hours to supervise the job.
- Wilma Thurston commented about the good looks of the Hall.

Board Comments:

- Larry N. made comment that today's Tornado Warnings and bad weather brought the short comings out that the Township does not have a Severe Weather plan. Back-up Power is available here at the Hall and we need to come up with a basic plan of attack to deal with this threat. The word will need to be put out to the township people when we come up with a plan.
- Larry N. Made motion to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Carl M. All in Favor, MC

Minutes Created by: Daniel Zunich, Billings Township Clerk