

**BILLINGS TOWNSHIP  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
January 8, 2018**

**Call to Order:** Supervisor Larry Grell called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present Per Roll Call:** Brian Johnson, Larry Nelson, Carl Malott, Linda McSweyn and Larry Grell

**Members Absent:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge of Allegiance led by Larry Grell

**Approval of the Agenda:** Larry Nelson motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of Laura Brandon Maveal, Gladwin County Clerk, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carl Malott, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Larry Nelson made a motion to approve the December 11, 2017 Board Minutes, with two revisions, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

**Approval of Bills to be Paid:** Larry Nelson made a motion to approve bills to be paid, motioned 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Brian Johnson -Yes, Larry Nelson -Yes, Carl Malott -Yes, Linda McSweyn - Yes, Larry Grell -Yes. Motion carried.

**Mike Houserman- Assessor:** Mike stated the Board of the Review normally starts on the second Monday of March in order to start on an alternate date we need to pass a resolution. Larry Grell made a motion to have the Board of Review alternate starting date Resolution #01082018-2 on Wednesday March 14, 2018, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Nelson. Roll Call: Brian Johnson - Yes, Larry Nelson - Yes, Linda McSweyn - Yes, Carl Malott - Yes and Larry Grell - Yes. Motion carried.

Mike requested a check to KCI for Assessment notices postage, which has previously been board approved.

Mike stated that he had a quote for the maps (AMAR) from CSZ Services LLC for \$500.00. Larry Grell motioned to accept and pay for the maps, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. Roll Call: Brian Johnson - Yes, Larry Nelson - Yes, Carl Malott - Yes, Linda McSweyn - Yes and Larry Grell - Yes. Motioned carried.

Mike introduced Resolution #01082018 to Waive Interest and Penalty associated with Failure to File Property Transfer Affidavits (PTA)-Form 2766. Larry Grell made motion to accept Resolution #0108201, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Nelson. Roll Call: Brian Johnson - Yes, Larry Nelson - Yes, Carl Malott - Yes, Linda McSweyn - Yes, and Larry Grell - Yes. Motion carried.

Mike introduced Resolution #01082018-1 for Policy and Procedures for Real Property Exemptions. Larry Grell motioned to accept Resolution#01082018-1, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. Roll Call: Brian Johnson - Yes, Larry Nelson -Yes, Carl Malott - Yes, and Larry Grell - Yes. Motioned carried.

Mike introduced Resolution #01082018-3 for Property Exemption. Larry Nelson motioned to accept Resolution #01082018-1, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Johnson. Roll Call: Brian Johnson - Yes, Larry Nelson - Yes, Carl Malott - Yes, Linda McSweyn - Yes, and Larry Grell - Yes. Motion carried.

Mike clarified to Billings Township Treasurer who has stated that he is aware of and will comply and follows the provisions with MCL211.7cc in the event that principal residence exemption (PRE) Denial is issued to an owner of property that appears on the tax roll on Billings Township. (Specifically, per MCL211.7cc Section 6, 8 and 11 (Treasury Form 4142). It was accepted as a matter of record.

Mike introduced a new Parcel Division Application, Brian Johnson asked for an addition to the application be added in bold stating Division does not mean it is a buildable parcel. Brian Johnson motioned to approve Parcel Division Application with the additional change, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Nelson, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motioned carried.

**Laura Brandon Maveal:** Gave update/report card on the November, 2017 election. Laura commented that it was a very good report card. It was mentioned that the next election would be in August, 2018.

**Fire Chief's Report:** Al Vincent reported that he received a donation of \$400.00 from a couple after a full arrest was done on the husband. We finished off the year with 320 fire runs. This is normal for us. Al received a call letting him know the new fire truck was on the assembly line. Their doing the wiring and the box is supposed to go on this month. We are short on new fireman and it is so hard getting anyone to join at this time. We have 3 girls taking on line training so they do not have to drive two nights a week to Midland. There are still hand on training on Saturdays. I am meeting with the girl tomorrow to start writing the grant for the Lucas machine. Larry Grell mentioned at this time that Larry Nelson and Joyce have been working on the loan for the new fire truck and been putting in a lot of time on it.

**WWTP Report:** Larry Grell mentioned that Andy Gwizdala was out of town and was unable to make it back in time for the meeting. Andy stated in his report that there were no monthly NPDES Permit Violations and the wastewater treatment plant was perfuming well for the month. 1.89 million gallons of wastewater were discharged from the plant. The daily flow during discharge from the wastewater treatment plant was 62,933 gallons.

**Roads:** Larry Grell has been working with Dave from Gladwin County Road Commission on what roads to be paved and work on ditching. Larry mention they have kind of a plan and wanted to bring it up to board to keep the board informed. Finalization will probably be at the Wednesday meeting. Their plans are going to do an overlay to Knox Rd from M-30 to Wieman. Also, plans on doing an overlay on Pine to save that road. Ditching on Martin Rd, Happy Rd and out by the Park, we are trying to get them three in and gravel is iffy. The only new construction will be pavement on Northern Trail which will include ditches etc. No cost at this time. Janice Ln will do their paving this summer and Ostlund Dr did theirs in the fall. Everyone seems to be happy with the newly paved road on Ostlund.

**Park and Recreation Report:** Rose Malott mentioned that the Billings Township Ice Fishing Contest is February 17th and 18th. Larry talked about the snow plowing at park the gravel did not freeze down and we need to do something about it. We will keep the parking lot open.

**Correspondence:** Packet on NIMS training received and all board members be compliant and are required to take the required courses. Larry received the new booklet (85 pages) on e-mail. Letter from Council on

**Correspondence cont.:** Aging was received for an On-Call Kitchen Helper all four sites. Apply at/send resume to Council on Aging, Attn: Amanda 215 S. Antler, Gladwin 48624 or call (989) 426-5450.

**OLD Business:** Larry Grell gave update that we need people to come and attend the Senior Lunches and only requirement is to call the day ahead of time to sign up for a meal. We do not want to lose this. We need at least 9/10 to show daily. Laurie Willets (Site Manager) is doing a nice job.

**New Business:** Larry Grell mentioned that he is starting to do the budge and needs to receive input from committees and departments. March will be here quicker than you think. Finally the "no parking signs" were placed in three different areas up by Wixom and Brushaber Rds.

Application received from The Hook L Wixom Bait LLC, David Cryderman for the following license(s): Tavern SDM License (Beer, Wine) and Sunday a.m. Permit. Billings Twp. Board needs to give their recommendation of approval or not to approve the licenses. Motion by Brain Johnson that the board recommends this application be considered for approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission for The Hook L Wixom Bait LLC, David Cryderman, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Nelson, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motioned carried.

Sandy Aultman, Commissioner gave a brief update that they finished up 2017 and wanted to let everybody know they did finish up relatively in decent financial shape . She continued by saying they do have a couple of other issues and have to work on it pretty quickly and really hard. One is the Drain Commissioners office and the other is in their Equalization Department office needs more help in that office for sure. They are struggling. After tomorrow they will be working on this. We have some staff replacements at the court house one is in the Register of Deeds office and Court Security do to vacancies. They signed the agreement for 2018 with Extension Office, MSU Extension Services. Along with salary scheduled we have approved the 2018 Budget as, balanced, presented and the board approved it. Most of our contracts with Union Employees have been signed and approved and settled. Our County has applied for a couple Grants for vehicles one in the Building and Grounds Dept. and one for Construction Code. At our Organizational meeting on October 2, 2017 Terry Watlers was nominated to be Chairman and Sandy Aultman nominated Vice Chairman both of them kept their offices. Tomorrow at their regular meeting they will get their committee assignments.

Sandy had a question for Larry Grell wondering if he received a message/email from Matt Hartman on the snow plowing of Mallard Ct. Sandy knew Larry attends the road commission meetings. Matt was wondering if the end of the road could be plowed a little better.

**Public Comments:** None

**Board Comments:** Larry Nelson said for God Sake whatever you do not get this cold because it goes on and on. Larry Grell is glad that we got through this real cold snap with no fatal casualties. Brian Johnson suggested if our commissioner is here put her on the agenda and not to make her wait.

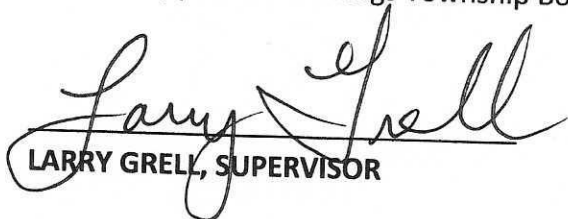
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**Adjournment:** Larry Nelson motioned to adjourn the meeting, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carl Malott, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried. Time: 8:10 p.m.

Minutes taken by: Linda J. McSweyn, Township Clerk

Minutes approved at Billings Township Board meeting

February 12, 2018  
DATE

  
LARRY GRELL, SUPERVISOR

  
LINDA J. MCSWEYN, CLERK