

**Billings Township Board Meeting**  
**Sept 14<sup>TH</sup> 2015**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance:** Larry Grell, Dan Zunich, Brian Johnson, Carl M, Larry Nelson

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

**Agenda:**

- Larry N. made motion to accept the agenda, seconded by Carl M. All in favor. M/C

**Approval of the minutes:**

- Larry N. made motion to accept the minutes from June 8th, 2015 seconded by Carl M. All in favor: M/C.

**Approval of bills to be paid:**

- Dan Z. added Township Hall, Fire Dept. & WWTP electric bills for . Larry N. made motion to pay the bills as listed seconded by Brian J. R/C Vote, All Yes: M/C.

**Township Audit:**

- Rob Klaczkiewicz PC, CPA Reported findings of the Township Audit. All Township account funds were found to be in order and compliance with a reserve operating time of just over 15 months of operation. State of Michigan states that a township should have at least 5 to 6 months of operating reserve. Billings Township is in good shape financially.

**Fire Chief's Report:**

- Over 38 runs made last month. Still looking for new volunteers.
- 3 new people in school, Pump and equipment testing in progress. Update/remodeling of old section or fire hall is in progress.

**WWTP Report:**

- Over 79,000 gal treated, over 13,500 gal of septage received, Replaced failed pump and purchased a ready spare pump that can be used in multiple locations. Plant is within DEQ compliance.

**Park Report:**

- Next newsletter should be mailed this week. Ad space sales reduced the cost. Discussed incident/accident report forms, Building Renovations have started, Pancake Breakfast at the Hall Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 2015 from 8:00am to 12:00pm,
- Brian J made motion to repair furnaces at the cost of up to \$1500.00, seconded by Carl M. R/C vote: all voted yes, M/C.
- Oct 12<sup>th</sup> is Chemical Bank Clean Up Day: at Park, Cemetery and Hall. Trick or Treat set for Halloween night. Tree removal in park area due to insect infestation.

**Commissioner's Report:**

- Reported ORV county ordinance is in place and other county news.

**Planning Commission:**

- Meeting on Sept 24<sup>th</sup>, Revisions on township ordinances are done with copies being made. Mobile home park is working on being in compliance.

**ZBA:**

- No meeting scheduled the rest of this year so far, Need a ZBA alternate person, Officers election discussed.

**Road Committee:**

- Dave from Gladwin Co. Spoke on conditions and PASER rating of twp roads, County ride around set for Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> starting at 8:00, summer help program was very successful.
- New committee member is Don Rinus.

**Correspondence:** Insurance letter, MTA news, Charter Communication info.

**Old Business:**

- Fall Brush and tire dumpsters are ready and at the WWTP, Township new sign is up and running, Other twp signs are being replace buy county.

**New Business:**

- Discussed lots twp lots to be sold. Brian J. made motion to sell Birchwood property with Larry G to check if public notification is needed, seconded by Dan Z. All in favor: M/C
- Discussed what fee's to charge for un-assessed vacant lots to connect to the sewer syst. Larry G to check with other communities to see how they do it.
- Carl M. made motion to assign MaryAnn Hill from the county to be our contact with Gladwin Emergency Action contact point for the twp. Seconded by Larry N. All in Favor: M/C
- Larry G. made motion to increase The DPW workers monthly pay by \$150.00, seconded by Larry N. Roll Call Vote. All Yes with Carl M. Sustaining from vote due to a possible conflict of interest. M/C.
- Township Insurance issue discussed about WWTP coverage, Will check into other insurance carriers.

**Public comments:**

- Heard 4 comments: Issue of blight lot and junk hoarders in twp, Road repair issues, Sewer expansion when new phase would be starting.

**Board Comments:**

- Larry N. Charter Communication systems should be up and running.
- Larry G commented on taking things one piece at a time to keep moving forward.
- Carl M. noted Happy anniversary to his wife of over 44 years.
- Larry N. made motion to adjourn, seconded by Dan Z. All in Favor: M/C @ 9:15pm
- **Minutes Created by:** Daniel Zunich, Billings Township Clerk