

CALL TO ORDER

The regular July 12, 2012 meeting of the Buchanan Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Jane Mitchell at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Jane Mitchell, Supervisor; Cathy Ganus, Clerk; Janet Dehring, Treasurer; and Thomas VanAntwerp, Trustee.

Members Absent: Lynn Ferris, Trustee.

Others Present: Six (6) residents; Sheriff Paul Bailey and Lieutenant Randy Miller, Berrien County Sheriff's Department; one (1) staff; and no members of the press.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All stood for the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 21, 2012 regular meeting were approved as presented.

ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

National Night Out (NNO) Against Crime 2012 – McCoy Creek Park – August 7, 2012 – 6-9 pm

MTA On the Road – Fall 2012 Regional Meeting

Motion by Mitchell, second by Dehring, to approve the attendance of any township board member to the Michigan Townships Associations MTA On the Road Fall 2012 Regional meeting to be held on September 11, 2012 at the Fetzer Center at Western Michigan University at a cost of \$89 per person plus mileage reimbursement. Roll call vote showed unanimous approval, motion carried (4-0).

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Dehring, second by Ganus, to approve General Fund check # 8214 to and including check # 8245 totaling \$32,932.20 as well as Fire Fund check # 5005 to and including check # 5031 totaling \$14,390.43. Roll call vote showed unanimous approval, motion carried (4-0).

REPORTS

Resignation of Firefighter James Hattenbach

Motion by Mitchell, second by Ganus, to accept the resignation of firefighter James Hattenbach effective August 1, 2012 with regret. Voice vote showed unanimous approval, motion carried (4-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Election Inspectors – August 7, 2012 Primary Election

The following list of election inspectors was presented for approval:

Carl Keefer, Chairman
Christine Cloud
Misty Gano
Jessica Hunsberger
Cheri McBain
Rachel Plank

Motion by Ganus, second by Dehring, to approve the list of election inspectors for the August 7, 2012 Primary Election as presented. Voice vote showed unanimous approval, motion carried (4-0).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- July Board of Review has been set for Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at 5:30 pm.
- Meet the Candidates for Berrien County Offices – July 20, 2012 – Lakeshore High School, Stevensville

CITIZEN COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Township resident Mario Palmisano expressed his concerns regarding the Red Bud Track and Trail National Motocross race held over the July 4th weekend.

[Sheriff Paul Bailey arrives at 7:18 pm and Lieutenant Randy Miller arrived at 7:21 pm]

Jesswein provided his fire report. He advised that the fire siren located on the Township Hall property is inoperable at this time. He advised that all firefighters have pagers so this is not such a great concern as in previous years when the siren was used to alert firefighters.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Cathy A. Ganus
Buchanan Township Clerk