

Buchanan Township Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting January 7, 2021  
Held at Buchanan Township Hall

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular January 7, 2021, meeting of the Buchanan Township Board of Trustees, via Zoom internet conference, was called to order by Supervisor, Malinda Cole-Crocker at 6:30 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL:**

*Members Present:* Malinda Cole-Crocker, Supervisor; Rachel Plank, Treasurer; Wendi Heyliger, Clerk; Lynn Ferris, Trustee; Brad Huebner, Trustee

*Members Absent:*

*Others Present:* Jodi Mattner, Deputy Clerk; Jerry DiPietro, Deputy Treasurer

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the December 17, 2020 regular meeting were approved as presented.

**ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA** – Add to New Business – Mud Lake Bog

## **BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

## **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**Motion by Plank, second by Ferris, to approve General Fund checks #11620-11631 totaling \$5,863.27, Fire Fund checks #7133-7145 totaling \$11,476.12. Roll call vote:**

**Ayes:** Cole-Crocker, Plank, Heyliger, Ferris, Huebner

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Motion carried unanimously (5-0)**

## **REPORTS-**

*Sheriff's Report – Report of File*

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS-**

*Update on Stove for Hall – Cole-Crocker*

Stove that was ordered was the correct height of 36" but was smaller width wise for our counter. Stove is ok to use as is and will be installed. Hall can be rented out when group restrictions are lifted.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

*Resolution 2021-01 Bank Signatures - Plank*

**Motion by Plank, second by Cole-Crocker, to approve Resolution 2021-01 bank signature update to include Deputy Treasurer, Jerry DiPietro. Roll call vote:**

**Ayes:** Cole-Crocker, Plank, Heyliger, Ferris, Huebner

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Motion carried unanimously (5-0)**

*Datasafe Offsite Backup Solution – Cole-Crocker*

As of now we use CrashPlan to backup files and folders offsite. Our existing CrashPlan is \$10 monthly. Datasafe is a new system that can backup the server and databases. This is a complete offsite back up. This system would cost \$90 monthly. The board has decided to revisit this backup solution when it is time to revise budget so it can be budgeted in correctly.

*New Firefighter Hire – Tim Jesswein*

**Motion by Ferris, second by Huebner, to hire Chris Burks as a probationary fire fighter. Mr. Burks is Fire Fighting 1 and 2 certified with 24 years' experience. Roll call vote:**

**Ayes:** Cole-Crocker, Plank, Heyliger, Ferris, Huebner

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Motion carried unanimously (5-0)**

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*Mud Lake Bog – Huebner*

Huebner is concerned about the beavers destroying the bog. Plank will look into it and contact a conservation place to ask what is best to do, eradicate, relocate or leave them. If they are an asset, we, of course, want to leave them. Just concerned about the preservation of Mud Lake Bog.

Board talked about a Mud Lake Bog work day when weather breaks. Board members and family members and open up to the residents for whoever would like to join.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS-**

Tim Jesswein announced he is the Interim Fire Chief for Niles Township until they hire a new chief. He said this will not disrupt his job at Buchanan Township.

Mindy Cole-Crocker gave an update on our mailbox location. We are told we need to move the box to the opposite side it is at now. In the past we were told we could put it wherever we like by Postal Carrier. Now she says it needs to be moved. May need to move closer to road to accommodate for snow plowing. Plank suggested issuing complaint to higher up than Postmaster about our current postal carrier due to her behavior towards us.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7 pm.

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Jodi Mattner, Deputy Clerk

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Malinda Cole-Crocker, Supervisor