

**ROYALTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Regular Meeting  
December 14, 2009

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Steve Tilly at 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: Steve Tilly, Supervisor; Michael Klug, Treasurer; Rocky Genovese, Clerk; Robert Basselman, Trustee; Bill Foust, Trustee. James Soteriou, Manager.

Members Absent: None.

Motion by Basselman to approve minutes of November 9, 2009 meeting. Motion carries.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Klug, showing a total fund balance of \$4,126,732.42. Motion to approve by Foust. Motion carries.

The Planning Commission Report was read by Foust.

The Berrien County Sheriff's report was presented by a Lieutenant of the Berrien County Sheriff's Department.

Ron Zwar, from Zwartec, reported on the recall petitions for the Berrien County Drain Commissioner and inquired about procedures for obtaining a variance to sell a portion of his property. It was recommended he obtain a Variance Application to go before the Zoning Board of Appeals with his request.

Road to Life Church site plan reviewed by the Board as presented by Daryl Veldman and Bill Foust. Motion by Foust to approve site plan as presented. Motion carries.

Planning Commission and Board of Review appointments discussed by the Board. Motion by Foust to approve the following Planning Commission member appointments -

Rachel Bernard – Three Year term  
Brian Leiberg – Three Year term  
Warren Kurtz – Three Year term  
Jason Ackerman – Three Year term

Motion carries.

Motion by Basselman to approve the following Board of Review member appointments -

Ed Kretchman – Two Year term  
Don Kretchman – Two Year term  
Larry Morrow – Two Year term

Motion carries.

Fire Department Officers five nominees discussed by the Board.

Motion by Basselman to appoint Ronald Koebel as Fire Chief, James Jonatzke as Assistant Fire Chief, Leo Rodriquez as Captain, and Allyn Cooper as Lieutenant. Motion carries.

Fire Department request for new fire department gear due to new firefighters, presented by Ron Koebel.

Michigan Emergency Management Assistance Compact Resolution discussed.

Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement discussed.

Motion by Bob Basselman to approve Emergency Management Assistance Compact Resolution and Mutual Aid Box Agreement as recommended by the Fire Department. Motion carries.

Master Plan Amendments discussed by the Board as presented by William Foust. Motion by Basselman to table discussion. Motion carries.

New computer for Deputy Treasurer discussed by the Board. Motion by Basselman to approve bid for Double-K price for Dell Computer. Motion carries.

Assessor's contract from Governmental Assessing Services discussed by the Board. Motion by Basselman to approve contract from December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2010 for \$29,400. Motion carries.

Request for payment for CPM Construction Inc. for \$43,175.40 for maintenance building. Construction discussed by the Board. Motion by Basselman to approve payment. Motion carries.

Pay raises for township employees discussed by the Board. Motion by Basselman to approve pay raises for Shane Soteriou, Chris Laski, Kathy Siegert, Mary Zwar, Jim Soteriou and Bill Boyd. Motion carries.

Resolution to restate cafeteria health plan discussed by the Board. Motion by Basselman to approve. Motion carries.

Sanitary Sewer system, Hickory Creek Interceptor improvements contract discussed by the Board. Motion by Basselman to approve contract. Motion carries.

Authorization to negotiate contract with Schools for Summer Tax Collection discussed by the Board. Motion by Foust to approve. Motion carries.

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Safety Board/Fire Department Report presented by Basselman.

Water Authority Report presented by Tilly.

Motion by Foust to pay bills totaling \$110,790.25. Motion carries.

Motion by Basselman to adjourn meeting at 8:43 P.M. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rocky Genovese,  
Clerk