

BIG PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 11,2021

The regular meeting of the Big Prairie Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Wright.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roll call showed the following Board members present: Wright, Baker, Scott, Anderson and Thompson.

Motion by Scott seconded by Baker to approve the agenda, motion carried.

Motion by Thompson seconded by Scott to approve the minutes of the April meeting as received, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance	227,080.73
Income	389.52
Disbursements	22,604.49
Balance	204,865.76

Road Fund	241,764.29
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Report filed for audit.

Correspondence was read. A letter of resignation from Mary Quinlan from the Planning Commission was read.

Zoning Officer's Report was reviewed.

Planning Commission; The Stedman property was given a site plan approval from the Planning Commission. Motion by Thompson seconded by Scott to give final approval of site plan, motion carried.

Assessor: Jackie has finished DATA standards, still working on the card files, lots of land divisions.

Rec Area clean up had 117 loads taken out, donuts were donated by Hilltop, back hoe by Park Commission. Mike Wright volunteered time to run the back hoe. Thanks to all who helped. There is still vandalizing at the Rec area, bleachers are being destroyed. Need permission for 2 more cameras. Motion by Wright seconded by Scott to purchase 2 additional cameras for the Rec Area at a cost of no more than \$500.00, motion carried.

The first cameras helped catch the people that tore up the fence and parking lot. Because of the cameras already installed, they were identified. This was turned over to the police and they are headed to court. 13 trees were taken down and the brush is being cleaned up.

Fire Dept. March had 14 runs, April 22 runs. The breakfast this year will be drive thru with 3 choices of food. June 19th they are holding a corn hole tournament at the Rec Area to raise funds. Food will be available.

Comments from the audience: County Commission Jim Maike spoke on the high-speed internet and affordable housing and the money coming from the federal government.

Laurel Johnson, representing the property owners, spoke on the camping on vacant land at Sportsman Dr.

Several property owners were present. There is an illegal power pole on the property, an outhouse by the road. How often would it be cleaned? 2 driveways are there yet no other resident can have 2 drives. There are 48 property owners in the area, can this permit be put on hold until this issue is solved, Supervisor Wright said no that is the way the zoning reads now but the Board will look at the amendment again for possible changes. The Board may have a special meeting with the Planning Commission to go over the issues with camping on vacant land in June.

Motion by Wright seconded by Baker to approve and pay the Cemetery and General Fund bills, but to hold the bill for cleanup until June to receive the missing bill, motion carried.

Fire Boat: If the Board puts down 20% the interest would be 1.90 %, if no down payment the interest would be 1.95%

The Bond Attorney last time was approx. \$3000.00, should be about the same this time. Consensus of the Board to do no down payment, interest at 1.95%. That would help us with adding on to the building.

No further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned.

Subject to Board approval

Judith Baker, Clerk