

BIG PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 12,2021

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, Thompson and Anderson.

Motion by Thompson seconded by Scott to approve the agenda as written with the exception of moving Fire Dept. reports to beginning of meeting and adding the Board of review members, motion carried.

Fire Dept. The new Officers were introduced to the board by the new Chief. The Sam's account approved, going ahead with grants. The Chief would like to hire a grant writer for the FEMA grant at a cost of \$1,500.00 to \$1,900.00. the FEMA grant is close to \$500,000.00. The grant writer would be one time only, paper work is needed to be done by February 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion by Thompson seconded by Baker to hire, motion carried.

Motion by Wright seconded by Thompson to hire Brennan Walters and Miles Ashcroft to the dept., motion carried.

The Dept. would like to purchase a GPS for the trail, cost of \$449.99. Motion by Thompson seconded by Scott to approve the purchase, motion carried. The Chief asked for a debit card for Dept. use. Wright will do an agreement on this, expenses not to exceed \$250.00 per month, that is not pre-approved and card use will be reviewed each year, motion by Thompson seconded by Scott to approve the debit card for Fire chief, motion carried.

Motion by Thompson seconded by Baker to approve the minutes as received, motion carried.

Treasurer's report

Beginning Balance	149,092.68
Income	45791.54
Disbursements	26,683.80
Balance	168,200.42

Road Funds Balance	119,669.78
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Report filed for audit.

Correspondence was read.

Zoning Officers report was reviewed.

Planning Commission, the Consumers site plan was approved. The zoning amendment was approved waiting for Board approval. Motion by Wright to approve the amendment to the zoning ordinance, seconded by Scott, motion carried. Their next meeting is February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Assessor; Board of Review class will be virtual, at \$5.00 each if she can get in with Croton. The class is February 2, 2021 from 9:00 to 12:00 in Croton. Motion by Baker seconded by Anderson to pay the cost for all Board of review members, motion carried.

The Amish have requested electric in the grange hall but an easement will have to be done. Since the Cemetery Board does not meet until March, it is the consensus of the Big Prairie Board to allow, Wright will get approval from the Everett Township Board.

No comments from the audience.

Motion by Scott seconded by Baker to approve and pay the bills, motion carried.

Board of review: 3 members are needed for a two-year term. Martin Kerry and Colleen Ryman will stay on the board and Jackie will try for a third person. Motion by Baker seconded by Scott to appoint Martin Kerry and Colleen Ryman to the Board of review, motion carried.

No further business to come before the board, meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Subject to Board approval

Judith Baker, Clerk