

NEW BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2012
17425 RED ARROW HIGHWAY
NEW BUFFALO, MICHIGAN

Clerk Oselka called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Board Members Present: Heit, Oselka, Rahm, and Rogers.
Dudiak was Absent

Oselka led the Pledge of Allegiance

REPORTS

Monthly departmental reports were received.

Reports

AGENDA ITEMS

Rogers moved, Heit seconded to approve items on the consent agenda:

Consent
Agenda

Minutes of the September 17, & September 20, 2012 Meetings

Treasurer's Report

Bills

- 1. General \$66,403.26
- 2. Building \$13,111.53
- 3. Sewer & Water \$184,985.75
- 4. Liquor \$395.61
- 5. Ambulance \$8,869.67
- 6. Park Millage \$31,368.93
- 7. Public Safety Millage \$18,816.08

Berrien County Police Payment - \$39,812.62 for September, 2012 Police Protection

Signs for Nature Trail - \$1,627 Down Payment to SRP Custom Graphics

\$2,882.38 – Dale's Auto Repair Invoice for Fire Truck Maintenance

Dudiak	Absent
Heit	Yes
Oselka	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Rogers resolved, Oselka seconded to adopt the Resolution to Appoint a Receiving Board by the New Buffalo Township Election Commission for Elections beginning November 6, 2012.

Resolution to
Appoint a
Receiving
Board

Dudiak	Absent
Heit	Did Not Vote
Oselka	Yes
Rahm	Did Not Vote
Rogers	Yes

Resolution Adopted (By members of the Township election commission)

Heit moved, Rogers seconded to appoint the following election inspectors for the November 6, 2012 General Election:

Election Inspectors Nov.6, 2012

Carolyn Ghareeb, Chair – Republican
 Irene Brinkman – Republican
 Katharine Butler – Republican
 Chris Dudiak - Democrat
 Rachel Folino - Democrat
 Ernest Melichar – Republican
 Dorothy Palen – Democrat
 Mary Robertson - Republican

Motion Carried

Rogers moved, Oselka seconded to appoint the following people to the Receiving Board for the November 6, 2012 General Election:

Receiving Board Nov. 6, 2012

Katharine Butler – Republican
 Dorothy Palen - Democrat

Motion Carried (By members of the Township election commission)

Rahm resolved, Rogers seconded to adopt the Resolution Regulating Township Property.

Resolution Regulating Township Property

Dudiak	Absent
Heit	Yes
Oselka	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes

Motion Carried

Heit moved, Rogers seconded to approve hiring William Lambert, effective 9-19-12, as Building Inspector at a rate of \$36.75/hour. The first 90 days shall be a probationary period.

William Lambert Hiring as Bldg. Insp.

Motion Carried

Heit moved, Rogers seconded to approve terminating the contract with Berrien County for the recycling center at 17651 U.S. 12, effective December 1, 2012, due to the new curbside recycling available to all Township residents.

Recycling Center Closing

Motion Carried

Rogers moved, Oselka seconded to approve the following purchases for the Sewer Department:

Sewer Dept. Purchases

10” ABB Meter from S & W Controls, cost not to exceed \$6,000
This will register all sewage flow on south U.S. 12 at the City limits coming from the south

Gasvoda – installation of above meter, estimated cost of \$2,800 – \$3,000

Motion Carried

Heit moved, Rahm seconded to approve, upon recommendation of The Park Committee, being part of a grant application with the New Buffalo Area Schools and the City of New Buffalo for surf and water safety. The grant application is for \$5,802, with 15% being requested from the discretionary (non municipal) fund and the remaining 85% (\$4,932) being split among the three entities, equaling out to be \$1,644 from each of the three’s Pokagon Fund account.

Surf Safety Grant from Pokagon Fund

Motion Carried

Heit moved, Oselka seconded to approve hiring Brandon Breneman as a Township firefighter, pending completion of a physical and employment paperwork.

B. Breneman Hired as Firefighter

Motion Carried

Rogers moved, Oselka seconded to accept, with regret, the resignation of Archie Barkman, Water and Sewer Manager, effective November 9, 2012.

A. Barkman Resignation

Motion Carried

Public Comments were heard.

Heit moved, Rahm seconded to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion Carried

Submitted,

Paul Oselka
Clerk