

BIG PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 14, 2019

The meeting 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 and Scott. Quinlan and Thompson were absent.

Motion by Wright seconded by Scott to approve the agenda with the addition of roads under Board reports, motion carried.

Motion by Scott seconded by Baker to approve the minutes of the February 12, February 25 and March 7th meetings as presented, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance	137,315.13
Income	424.74
Disbursements	17,996.19
Balance	119,743.68

Report filed for audit.

Correspondence was read. The letter for donation from Morley library will be discussed at the April meeting.

Deputy Rachael Higgins, from the Sheriff's Department introduced herself as the Township Liaison. She requested a hall key to periodically check the building and was given one by the Clerk.

Zoning Ordinance Officer's report was reviewed.

Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the marihuana grower facilities, solar systems and campgrounds on April 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Fire Dept.; there were 14 runs for the month. They have two applications for employment, Wright will contact the Fire Committee.

The bids for the road work on Cottonwood were discussed. One bid was for 42,098.0 for wedge and overlay. The other bid was for 60,271.75 to crush, shape and pave. Motion by Baker seconded by Scott to approve the bid for 60,271.75 as it is a much better solution, motion

carried. The contract will be signed at the April meeting and the start of new fiscal year. Wright brought up the area of Beech north off 16th by the creek is bad. Baker and Scott felt the Board should stay with the roads agreed on by the road committee. Wright will check into a possible grant for Beech from the DNR. Wright is also checking on the Rec Plan as he was told it would cost around 30,000.00 to update.

Comments from the audience; none.

Marty Kerry asked permission to have Paulson heating go over the furnace, permission given.

Motion by Scott seconded by Baker to approve and pay the general fund and Cemetery bills as presented to include an insurance bill of 1,820.00 for the Cemetery, motion carried

Matching funds with the Fire Dept. for a new truck will be discussed at the April meeting.

Zoning Ordinance Officers wages: Motion by Wright seconded by Scott to increase the wages by 1200.00 per year, motion carried.

The Park Commission came across an ordinance dated 1996 concerning rules and regulations of the Parks. Baker explained that they ask for the ordinance as the Park Commission cannot do an ordinance, but this has not been updated since that time.

No further business to come before the meeting, meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Subject to Board approval

Judith Baker, Clerk