

MINUTES FROM THE
REGULAR ANTWERP TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY September 13, 2016 7:00 PM
Approved

Supervisor Ruzick called the Public Hearing for special assessments to order at 6:30 PM.
Reviewed special assessments for Mattawan Quick Response (6:30 PM), Lawton Fire (6:35 PM), Paw Paw Fire (6:40 PM), and Mattawan Fire (6:50 PM). No public comment.
Public Hearing for special assessments closed at 6:55 PM.

Supervisor Ruzick called the Public Hearing for Bronson Health Group to order at 7:00 PM.
Steven Franc, Miller Canfield, was present to offer comment on the issuance of Series 2016 Bonds. No other public comment was taken.
Public Hearing was for Bronson Health Group closed at 7:03 PM.

Supervisor Ruzick called the Township Board meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Daniel J. Ruzick-Supervisor, Bonnie Osborne-Treasurer, Heather Mitchell-Clerk, Bruce Cutting - Trustee.
Board Members Absent: Ron Derhammer-Trustee.

Also Present: Three guests

Motion by Cutting, second by Osborne to approve agenda with addition G. PPQR Contract under New Business.
All voted in favor. Motion carries.

Public Comment: None.

Motion by Cutting, second by Osborne to approve August 9, 2016 minutes with one correction. All voted in favor.
Motion carries.

Action on Planning Commission Recommendations: None

New Business:

A. Resolution Public Approval Code for Bronson Health Group Inc.

Bonds were originally issued in 2011 when Bronson Commons along Red Arrow Hwy was constructed. At this time, Bronson Health Group is refinancing those bonds which would result in significant interest savings. In compliance with a federal tax code requirement, all municipalities wherein Bronson is located must be notified through published notice and a public hearing must be held. The bonds are solely the obligation of Bronson Health Group Inc. However, public input is allowed and a resolution from the local municipality is needed in order to meet requirements for IRS code.

Motion by Cutting, second by Osborne to approve resolution 2016-0913.
Roll Call Vote: Ruzick-yes; Mitchell-yes; Osborne-yes; Cutting-yes. Motion carries.

B. Mattawan Fire Special Assessment

Public Hearing was held at 6:50 PM. Annual assessment of Mattawan Fire District to collect 1.4000 mills.
Motion by Osborne, second by Mitchell to approve special assessment of 1.4000 mills for Mattawan Fire District.
Roll Call Vote: Mitchell-yes; Osborne-yes; Cutting-yes; Ruzick-yes. Motion carries.

C. Lawton Fire Special Assessment

Public Hearing was held at 6:35 PM. Annual assessment of Lawton Fire District to collect 1.4000 mills. Motion by Cutting, second by Mitchell to approve special assessment of 1.4000 mills for Lawton Fire District. Roll Call Vote: Osborne-yes; Cutting-yes; Ruzick-yes; Mitchell-yes. Motion carries.

D. Paw Paw Fire Special Assessment

Public Hearing was held at 6:40 PM. Annual assessment of Paw Paw Fire District to collect 1.4000 mills. Motion by Osborne, second by Cutting to approve special assessment of 1.4000 mills for Paw Paw Fire District. Roll Call Vote: Cutting-yes; Ruzick-yes; Mitchell-yes; Osborne-yes. Motion carries.

E. Mattawan Quick Response Special Assessment

Public Hearing was held at 6:30 PM. Annual assessment of Mattawan Quick Response to collect .14500 mills. Motion by Osborne, second by Cutting to approve special assessment of .14500 mills for Mattawan Quick Response. Roll Call Vote: Ruzick-yes; Mitchell-yes; Osborne-yes; Cutting-yes. Motion carries.

F. Activity Center Floor

Three separate companies were contacted about submitting a proposal for stripping and waxing the floor in the Activity Center: Maintenance Masters, D&L, and Commercial Building Services. One company provided a bid – Commercial Building Services at \$2775.60 (Antwerp supplying wax) and \$3122.55 (CBS supplying wax). Motion by Cutting, second by Mitchell to accept bid from Commercial Building Services to strip and wax the Activity Center floor supplying the wax at a cost of \$3,122.55. Roll Call Vote: Mitchell-yes; Osborne-yes; Cutting-yes; Ruzick-yes. Motion carries

G. Paw Paw Quick Response Contract

Annual contract of support for PPQR for 2016-2017. PPQR took 63 calls for Antwerp Township in 2015 including 67 patients. Motion by Cutting, second by Osborne to approve PPQR contract for emergency services in the amount of \$1500. Roll Call Vote: Cutting-yes; Osborne-yes; Ruzick-yes; Mitchell-yes. Motion carries.

Correspondence: None

Announcements: None

Reports:

Van Buren County Road Commissioner Al Svilpe

Striping on Red Arrow Highway has not been completed, will do once entire project completed, including chip seal. Township respectfully asks the VBCRC to give us an indication when projects such as chip sealing on Red Arrow Highway are done.

VBCRC sent communications to AEP and has yet to hear an answer regarding the intersection of 60th Ave and CR 657. Resident recently discussed an issue with walnut trees on east side of CR 657 with sight distance. Easements on 30th will be signed this week.

VBCRC is looking into retention pond at Long Grove with recent overflow in conjunction with Kalamazoo County. Originally thought Drain Commissioner would need to be involved, but it seems solely VBCRC.

Ordinance Officer Marcus Hamre

Reviewed blight report and calls within Antwerp Township.

Treasurer Bonnie Osborne

\$264,203.67 in general fund checking. September 14 is the last day to pay Summer 2016 taxes without interest.

Building Activity Heather Mitchell

35 permits for August including Building, Electrical, Mechanical, and Plumbing with fees of \$7,284.

Sunshine Branch Library Bonnie Osborne

National library card month. GeekFest will be September 17; Story Time has started again; annual book sale will be next week, and a new book club will begin 9/28.

Lawton Fire Department Bruce Cutting

Paid bills.

Mattawan Fire Department Bonnie Osborne

Testing tornado sirens; Hovenaar house used for fire training.

Cemeteries Heather Mitchell

Four (4) burials in August.

Mattawan Quick Response Bonnie Osborne

65 calls.

Planning Commission Heather Mitchell

Public Hearing for Mark Lipson on property at 1027 E. Michigan Ave. Paw Paw; Trailway project update; Ordinance text amendments. Public Hearing on text amendment will be held in October. Meeting minutes are available online at www.antwerptownship.com.

Zoning Board of Appeals Heather Mitchell

No meeting in August. Meeting minutes are available online at www.antwerptownship.com.

Public Comment: None

Recommendation from the committee on Antwerp Township, Mattawan Quick Response, Mattawan Fire Department, and Senior Services bills in the amount of \$59,392.02.

Motion by Cutting, second by Mitchell to accept bills for payment.

Roll Call Vote: Cutting-yes; Ruzick-yes; Mitchell-yes; Osborne-yes. Motion carries.

Motion by Osborne, second by Mitchell to adjourn.

All voted in favor. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Heather Mitchell/Clerk