

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - TOWN OF BENTON
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS - REGULAR MEETING
November 14, 2018**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** by Supervisor Booth at 6:30 pm
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
3. **ROLL CALL:** Present: Supervisor Booth, Trustees Bouchard, LaBelle, Keske and Town Clerk Bronson. Trustee Stried was absent.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - a. Supervisor Booth presented the minutes of the Regular meeting dated October 10, 2018. **MOTION** by Trustee LaBelle **SECOND** by Trustee Bouchard to approve the minutes as presented. **4 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion passes.**

PUBLIC ADDRESSING THE BOARD: None

5. **FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Income, Cash on Deposit Reports and Profit & Loss Statements as of November 14, 2018 were presented by Supervisor Booth.
6. **APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS:** Supervisor Booth presented the following disbursement's for approval:
 - a. Disbursements as of **November 14, 2018** were submitted by Supervisor Booth for approval. It was motioned by Trustee Bouchard and seconded by Trustee LaBelle to approve as presented. **4 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion Passes.**
 - b. **Invoice from Attorney Hartman - \$157.50:** It was motioned by Trustee Keske and seconded by Trustee LaBelle to approve as presented. **4 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion passes.**
 - c. **Donation request from Winthrop Harbor Toys 4 Tots - \$500.00:** The Board discussed other ways to support community initiatives that align with the Township instead of using tax dollars as donations. Supervisor Booth recommended using IGAs in the future. He also recommended providing a grant in the amount of \$500. It was motioned by Trustee Keske and seconded by Trustee Bouchard to approve a grant to Winthrop Harbor Toys 4 Tots in the amount of \$500.00. **4 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion passes.**
7. **RESOLUTIONS:** There were none.
8. **HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** None
 - a. Extended 2 year contract with G & S.
 - b. The Village of Winthrop Harbor submitted a resolution to Highway Commissioner to enter into a 3 year contract.
 - c. Legislation to eliminate Highway Commissioner is back on the table per Senator Terry Link.
9. **ASSESSOR'S REPORT:** There were none.
10. **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:** None

11. TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Bouchard: None

LaBelle: None

Keske: Attended Lake County TOI last month

Stried: Absent

12. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

- a. Eleven (11)total GA/EA appointments. (9 total clients) 1 client denied EA.
 - i. Clients awaiting SSI/SSDI approval - 2
 - ii. Monthly GA Totals
 1. Shelter- \$500
 2. Food - \$0
 - iii. Monthly EA totals
 1. Shelter- \$1240
 2. Utilities- \$0
 3. Gas - \$0
- b. Met with both our attorney and auditor this month regarding Road/Bridge funding.
- c. Attended LCTOI meeting in Wauconda w/ Trustee Keske. Meeting was not well attended but we did have good discussion on current and proposed State legislation regarding Township government.
- d. I will be attending TOI conference in Springfield from Saturday 11/10 to Tuesday 11/13. Saturday is an extended training session regarding GA and EA changes. I will be back in the office on Wednesday 11/14.
- e. Township office will be closed Monday 11/12 in observance of Veterans Day.
- f. Love Inc is partnering with Journey Church on Beach Park for Christmas Drive on Monday 12/3

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

14. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Discuss Levies - 2018-19 - No discussion.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

16. ADJOURNMENT - Being no further business to come before the Board, it was motioned by Trustee LaBelle and seconded by Trustee Bouchard to adjourn the meeting. **4 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 7:07pm.**

MINUTES BY: _____
Sonolito Bronson - Town Clerk