

**MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - TOWN OF BENTON  
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS - REGULAR MEETING  
November 6, 2019**

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, Stried, Keske, LaBelle and Town Clerk Bronson.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Supervisor Booth presented the Regular meeting minutes from October 9, 2019. It was motioned by Trustee Bouchard and seconded by Trustee Keske to approve all meeting minutes as presented. **All in favor. Motion passes.**
5. **PUBLIC ADDRESSING THE BOARD:** None
6. **FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Income, Cash on Deposit Reports and Profit & Loss Statements as of November 6, 2019 were presented by Supervisor Booth.
7. **APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS:** Supervisor Booth presented the following disbursement's for approval:
  - a. **Disbursements as of November 6:** It was motioned by Trustee Bouchard and seconded by Trustee Stried to approve as presented. **5 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion Passes.**
  - b. **Invoice from Attorney Hartman-\$17.50:** It was motioned by Trustee LaBelle and seconded by Trustee Bouchard to approve as presented. **5 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion passes.**
8. **RESOLUTIONS:** No. 06-19 In Recognition of Distinguished Service - Donald Leicht. It was motioned by Trustee Keske and seconded by Trustee LaBelle to approve the resolution as presented.
9. **HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** None
10. **ASSESSOR'S REPORT:** None
11. **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:** None
12. **TRUSTEE'S REPORT**
  - Bouchard:** None
  - LaBelle:** None
  - Keske:** None
  - Stried:** None

**13. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

- a. Twenty-Two (22) total GA/EA appointments. (18 total clients)
  - i. Clients awaiting SSI/SSDI approval - 4
  - ii. Clients denied EA/GA - 2
  - iii. Client application pending: 9
  - iv. Monthly GA Totals
    - 1. Shelter- \$1,100
    - 2. Food - \$100
    - 3. Transportation - \$0
  - v. Monthly EA totals
    - 1. Shelter- \$210
    - 2. Utilities- \$317.26
    - 3. Food & Personal Items - \$125
- a. Supervisor Booth attended the following meetings/events:
  - i. Beach Park Census Committee Meeting
  - ii. Meeting with TOIRMA representative re: Township insurance Coverage
  - iii. Emails & phone conversation with PACE/RTA reps re: including Benton Township as an approved location for their services.
  - iv. Attended voter registrar training.
  - v. Talks with PACE & Randy Whitmore re: expanding service to Newport Township

**14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**15. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Discuss levies** -The Board discussed the Township's levy for next year and whether or not the levy should be increased to fund the cost of repairing the township's roads.

**Public Risk, Workers Comp Insurance**- TOIRMA provided a quote for workman's comp insurance for the Township. Their basic quote is about \$1200 less than both Leech Bridges and Illinois Public Risk fund and includes an additional million dollars in coverage. Supervisor Booth stated that he is comfortable with Leech Bridges and would like to monitor TOIRMA's offerings. Trustee Stried expressed the importance of fiduciary responsibility to the residents. It was motioned by Trustee LaBelle and seconded by Trustee Bouchard to select TOIRMA as the Township's Pubic Risk and Workman's Comp Insurance provider. **5 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion passes.**

**2-1-1 Contribution** - A request for support was submitted by United Way 2-1-1 for \$1000. It was motioned by Trustee Stried and seconded by rustle LaBelle to approve the request as presented. **5 AYES, 0 NAYS. Motion passes.**

**Winthrop Harbor Toys for Tots** - Supervisor Booth said that the request was received too late to include on the agenda. He asked for a consensus of support of the event and include the request on the next meeting agenda. It was the consensus of Board in support of the event and include the request on the next agenda.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

17. ADJOURNMENT - Being no further business to come before the Board, it was motioned by Trustee Stried and seconded by Trustee LaBelle to adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

MINUTES BY:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sonolito Bronson - Town Clerk