

Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board
August 15, 2006 – 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Karen Brzys, Kay Wampler, James Seibert, Gordon Kniss, Lois Leavenworth – **Citizens:** approx 80

Approval of the Agenda: **Motion** by Leavenworth, second by Seibert to approve the agenda with additions - 5 ayes.

Correspondence: Clerk read several notes from the public – Cathie and Steve Aho, Dave George regarding zoning issues, Wm. Klodnicki regarding use of the green space to sell his wares. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding lack of continued cooperation in Burt Township to protect two nesting pairs of piping plovers. Letter from Kirt Harmon in response to the auditors request.

Unfinished Business: **A) Investigation Update** report from John Underhill/Karen Brzys. **B) Resolutions** – tabled to later in the meeting. **C) Legal Update** - On motion by Seibert, second by Kniss - Resolved that all officers, in particular, the Clerk, that information will be widely available to the auditor and any one else he needs to complete the audit and investigation – 5 ayes. **D) Financial Update** – to be revisited at a later date. **E) Contract Approvals** – Confusion over the contract with the assessor – John is working on finalizing the contract, Karen requested to revoke the previous resolution to accept the Contract with the assessor – need the insurance certificate. **F) Grant Update** – tabled, **G) Approval of Minutes** of July 11, July 14, and August 5 on Motion by Leavenworth, second by Seibert – 5 ayes. **H) Easement Update** – Presented with an agreement by Attorney Thomas Clark representing John and Janet King, Thomas and Jo Klaczyk, and Thelma Wood Preston in reference to the easement from the Smith Bros beach property on their properties. On motion by Leavenworth, second by Seibert; Resolved that the Township will enter into the agreement subject to any problems it could create with a [possible] mortgage on the property, pending electors decision on the 22nd and/or the Banks decision if it doesn't cost the township any money. [In reference to the Smith Bros. Beach property and Morris Street] – 5 ayes. **I) Site Condominium Ordinance** – Tabled. **J) Kirk Grace Issue** – Motion by Seibert, second by Leavenworth to allow the veterans hearing at the next regular meeting of the board – 5 ayes.

Department Reports: Woodland Park, DPW, Youth Center, and Ambulance provided their reports in writing. Recreation Center, Sandee Sibbald requested refunds of security deposits to the Kayak Symposium and Superior Dunes groups. Gee reported that there was equipment missing from the kitchen after the Kayak Symposium and requested that their refund be reduced by \$50.00 to \$650.00 – Approved on motion by Leavenworth, second by Seibert – 5 ayes.

Treasurers Report: Account Balances as of 8/4/06: General Fund \$33,700.13, Payroll Fund, \$1,898.57, Improvement \$28,402.56, New Well \$77,569.47, Marina \$14,765.53, Ambulance \$25,985.41, Water Receiving \$5,826.20, Water Operating \$(271.22)* (in-transit deposit brings balance to \$2,928.78), Water Bond, \$14,246.20, Fire Fund \$46,441.78, Woodland Park \$93,911.73, Harbor \$78,151.11, Medical Facility \$704.87, Beach Access \$11,851.42, RLF \$46,025.47, Fuel System \$9416.20, Tax Account \$89,070.74. – Accepted by Supervisor subject to Audit.

Clerks Payment of bills: General Fund \$28,239.94 plus 340.00 to Investigator, Payroll \$34643.48, Ambulance Corps \$6,746.45, Medical Facility \$2,615.79, Fire Protection \$2,322.53, Improvement \$9,414.04, Marina \$13,900.57, Fuel System \$16,288.85, Woodland Park \$34,255.97, Water Receiving \$17,200.00, Water Operating \$22,634.02, New Well, \$12,389.60. – Approved on motion by Leavenworth, second by Seibert with addition – 5 ayes.

Supervisor – Budget Update: tabled until later date.

Other: **A) Coast Guard Auxiliary water bill** – Clerk reported use of the auxiliary building by the township departments for training and meetings, and never charged any rent which could exceed the cost of their water bill. The auxiliary only has a budget of about \$40.00 [per year]. Clerk Wampler waived the balance due on the water account that dated from 3/2001 through 5/2006 for roughly \$1300.00. Clerk Wampler is requesting board approval and to waive future water billings in lieu of rent on the facility – tabled. **B) Bowman Gas Co.** – Bowman requesting signature from their non-profit, non-tax customers to freeze the LP rate to \$1.749 this winter – approved on motion by Leavenworth, second by Seibert to accept Bowman's agreement – 5 ayes - Supervisor Brzys signed the agreement. [Note: the agreement goes into effect upon receipt by Bowman regardless of the then current rate.]

Public Comment: Several people commented on the finances, Geri Hill asked about cleaning up the Hoffman parcel next to the marina, discussions over the fiscal year end, annual meetings, and other issues including saving the township.

Adjournment: Motion by Lois Leavenworth and seconded by James Seibert to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 p.m. – 5 ayes

Respectfully submitted: August 22, 2006,

Kay L. Wampler, Township Clerk

Approved: September 12, 2006 on Motion by Lois Leavenworth, seconded by Gordon Kniss ~ 4 ayes, 0 nay's

The full text of the Resolutions contained herein shall be and are hereby provided as an addendum to these minutes.

An official copy of all resolutions passed at this meeting are on file in the Clerk's office at the Burt Township Hall and are available for inspection/review by appointment.