Special Meeting of the Burt Township Board

Friday, October 24, 2014 10:00 AM - Township Hall **APPROVEI**

<u>Attendance</u>: Joseph Venturato, Lori McShane, Tara Beckwith, Scott Wieting, Lois Leavenworth

Public Comment: None

<u>Approval of Agenda</u>: <u>Motion offered by Leavenworth, second by Beckwith, to approve agenda</u> with 3 additions; <u>ACRC contract, wage increase for deputies, and additional employee for</u> DPW/water. 5 ayes

Old Business:

Employee 401K program: Motion by Weiting, second by Leavenworth, to approve a 5% investment match by the township for full time employees electing to defer compensation into the MERS program. 5 ayes.

New Business:

L4029 – **2014 tax rate request:** Due to the error made in last years tax assessment, the L4029 was distributed to the board for review before submission to the county.

<u>Community Betterment – purchase of trees:</u> Motion by Leavenworth, second by Wieting, authorizing the purchase of 33 trees from Plessher's at \$11,775.00, and an additional 3 trees for Woodland park at \$1,050.00, 5 ayes.

<u>Ambulance Mileage request:</u> Request from the Ambulance Corps to reimburse personnel for mileage to travel during the winter months for continued coverage and assistance. MTA and current mileage policies were reviewed. Current salaries for the Ambulance and Fire Departments were also reviewed. Board has asked for a salary survey to see where we stand in comparison to other rural communities with regard to compensation.

Six month budget review: Copies of the budget after six months of activity were distributed for board review. Suggested amendments will be compiled and submitted to the board for approval at the next board meeting.

<u>ACRC contract:</u> The letter and contract from the ACRC regarding funding for next year's road improvements projects was distributed and reviewed. A formal resolution to accept the proposed improvements and allocate the funds will be presented at the next board meeting.

Additional employee for Water/DPW: Mike Beek has inquired about hiring a third employee for the Water/DPW department. He is suggesting someone that would already possess a water certification or would be willing to test. Board agreed to post an advertisement in the local paper to solicit applicants.

Deputy wage increase: Motion by Beckwith, second by Leavenworth, to increase hourly wage from \$9.78 to \$10.00/hour. 5 ayes

Other: <u>Public Comment:</u> none <u>Adjournment 11:11 AM</u>.

Respectfully submitted October 30, 2014 Lori McShane, Clerk