

**ORANGE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING Minutes**

265 W David Hwy  
Berlin Orange Fire Station

April 9<sup>th</sup> 2013 7:00pm

**Special Budget Public Meeting**

Was held April 9<sup>th</sup> 2013 6:30pm

Berlin-Orange Fire Station

- 1) Meeting called to order 6:30pm
- 2) Present; Green, Plett, Wittenbach, First and DePotty
- 3) Public discussion on different aspects of budget
- 4) Motion to adjourn at 7:08pm made by Wittenbach with support from DePotty

**Regular Township Board Meeting**

1) The Regular Orange Township April 9<sup>th</sup> 2013 meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm

2) Present; Green, Plett, Wittenbach, First and DePotty

3) Pledge of allegiance by all

4) Public Comment:

a) Country Boy Lawn Care presented their bid for services

b) Motion to accept new Budget for the 2013 – 2014 Fiscal year made by DePotty with support from First.

Motion carried

5) Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Wittenbach with support from DePotty. Motion carried.

6) Correspondence and Current Information: ICRC will be traveling roads with township Trustees. The Water and Sewer Budget looks good. We received a bill from Township Lawyer for the airport review. The Ionia County Health Dept has a new Sanitary Code Committee. A discussion of complaints about Townsend Rd and Peck Lake Rd drivers traveling too fast. A Motion was made by Wittenbach for Clerk to attend a Township paid training in June with support from First

7) Minutes of March's Board meeting were read by Plett. Motion to approve minutes made by Wittenbach with support from First. Motion carried

8) Treasurer's Report was read by Wittenbach. Motion to approve report made by Plett with support from DePotty. Motion carried.

9) Monthly Bills – A Report of bills paid was presented to board members by Plett. All members read through and Trustees signed off on report. Motion to pay bills made by First with support from DePotty. Motion carried.

10) Reports

a) Zoning report was read by Wittenbach

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b) Fire Station report from Green. Orange Township had 8 runs. Cost of the Brush Truck is now up to \$34,000.00. Will have more discussion in the future about the truck

c) No Assessor's report

11) New Business

a) Motion to accept Country Boy Lawn Care contract made by DePotty with support from Wittenbach motion carried

b) Resolution presented and read by DePotty to increase Clerk's yearly salary by \$1000 per year. Roll Call vote; Green-yes First-yes DePotty-yes Wittenbach-yes Plett-abstain Resolution Adopted

c) Resolution presented and read by First to increase Treasurer's yearly salary by \$1000 per year. Roll Call Vote; First-yes DePotty-yes Plett-yes Green-yes Wittenbach-abstain Resolution Adopted

12) Old Business

a) PA 425 - Township Lawyer looked it over, and with couple of word changes, it looked fine. A special meeting will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Berlin-Orange Fire Station for the Public. Jason Eppler will post in the Ionia paper

b) Portland Ambulance. We will wait on further discussion until we gather more information

13) Public comments – Suggestion from a community member about possible placement of “rumble strips” in the road at the end of Kelsey Hwy that intercepts with Grand River Ave. This will be checked into.

14) Motion to adjourn made at 8:20pm by DePotty with support from First. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,  
Linn Plett Orange  
Township Clerk

Approved May 14<sup>th</sup> 2013

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