

ORANGE TOWNSHIP
265 West David Hwy
Berlin Orange Fire Station

1. **REGULAR MEETING OF THE ORANGE TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON JUNE 9, 2009 AT 7:00 PM**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **PRESENT: Board Members:** Depotty, Bowerman, First, Green & Wittenbach
4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Ionia County Road Commission – Moved to beginning of agenda.
 - a. Culvert Replacement on Grand River Trail – The Township will only pay for the cost of materials that are estimated to be just under \$5000. *Motion to approve the contract as verbally presented by the ICRC for replacement of culvert on Grand River Trail for the estimated amount made by DePotty with support from Green. Motion Carried.*
 - b. Gravel Contract – *Motion to approve the gravel contract in the amount of 2400 yards of gravel to be applied to a the designated areas on Goodwin and Gregory roads and exclude 700 yards on Klotz road made by Bowerman with support from First. Motion Carried.*
 - c. Bridges – Under the current bridge program next year townships will be able to submit request for bride repair/replacement that would actually take place in 2013. It has been the policy that townships have participated financially in the repair/replacement of bridges. At this time the State does not have emergency funds available for bridge repair.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Reminder of the special meeting regarding the waste water treatment facility ownership on June 15th at 7:00 pm at the ISD.
6. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** *Motion to approve the agenda as presented made by Green, with support from Wittenbach. Motion Carried*
7. **CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION:** Bowerman presented the award that was received from MTA. DePotty presented information regarding his reply to Deb Bennett and also information from MI Works.
8. **MINUTES:**

Bowerman read the minutes of the April regular board meeting. *Motion to approve the minutes made by Wittenbach with support from Green. Motion Carried.*
9. **TREASURERS REPORT:** Wittenbach read the treasurer's report. *Motion to approve the financial reports made by Bowerman with support from DePotty. Motion Carried.*
10. **MONTHLY BILLS:** Bowerman read the bills. *Motion to pay the bills made by Wittenbach with support form Green. Motion carried.*
11. **REPORTS:**
 - a. Zoning – Wittenbach read the zoning report. Bowerman read letter from zoning administrator to Bud Montgomery.
 - b. Berlin Orange Fire Department: Fire Barn Expansion – The permits have been obtained.

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- c. Cell Phone Tower – Nothing new to report.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Portland Ambulance agreement – *Motion to sign the ambulance agreement for payment option A made by First with support from Wittenbach. Motion Carried.*
- b. Lawn Care – Bowerman has noticed that the cemetery on Sunfield Hwy. appears to not have been completely mowed. Green will contact S & S Turf care regarding this issue.
- c. Past Audit – Board members agreed that this issue has been discussed and no more action will be taken.
- d. Randy Merren – He has put the tires out of sight from the road.

13. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Newsletter – Weisgerber has volunteered to assist with the newsletter. Wittenbach will put it in with tax receipts. Information needs to be forward on to Weisgerber ASAP, for the newsletter to be printed by July1.
- b. Fire Protection Check – A discussion will occur at the next fire board meeting regarding if this check is put towards Orange Township's yearly cost.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Citizen voiced concern over items left on Montgomery's property following an auction.
- b. Citizen voiced concern over the website not being up to date.

- 15. ADJOURNMENT:** *Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Green with support from Wittenbach. Motion carried.* Meeting adjourned at 8:37 P.M.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
VICKI BOWERMAN
ORANGE TOWNSHIP CLERK**

APPROVED: 7/14/09

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