

The Fork Township Supervisor, Jack Bark Sr., called the regular meeting of the Fork Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited.

Roll call of board members: Jack Bark Sr., Cathleen A. Martin, Patti McNeilly, Penny Huffman and John Singer all present.

Approval of the Minutes: Patti McNeilly moved to approve the minutes of 03-29-09 with the following corrections; Page one change the date at the top of the minutes to read March 29, 2009. Under Treasurers Report correct the Fire Department amount to read \$36,876.80. Page two, 8th line down in the Fire Departments report, add “ed” to the word need. Page three, 6th line down in the Community Center report, 13th word in change to “the”, third line down in the Lions Bingo report change the second word in to “of”. 5th line of the same report place a “,” after the word care. Under Approve the Budgets, twelfth line down correct the spelling of the second word to “bringing”. Penny Huffman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurers Report:

General Fund	\$226,999.61
Fire Department	\$ 42,337.11
Fire Equipment	\$159,608.65
First Responders	\$ 15,375.20
Flake Cemetery	\$ 16,500.00
Tax Collection	\$ 387.35
West Chippewa	\$ 6,055.62
Merrill Lake Roads	\$ 1,958.14
Merrill Lake Park	\$ 323.76

Penny Huffman moved to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. John Singer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Approval of the Bills: Patti McNeilly moved to approve the following checks;

General Fund	checks # 8693-8717	totaling \$ 6,934.24
Fire Department	checks # 3523-3531	totaling \$ 3,456.99
First Responders	checks # 2193-2194	totaling \$ 566.66
Merrill Lake Park	checks # 596	totaling \$ 27.96
W. Chipp. Vista	checks # 597	totaling \$ 20.00

Penny Huffman seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

Public Comments:

No public comments at this time.

Adam Gandolfi, Risk Manager from Municipal Underwriters of Michigan was present to review the Townships Insurance Policy and coverage's.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Fork/Barryton Community Fire Department** –Fire Chief, Terry Vogel presented his monthly Chiefs report to the board. Penny Huffman moved to approve the Barryton Community Fire Department Standard Operating Guideline #14 as presented. Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.
2. **Fork Township Rescue:** Terry Vogel, Supervisor of Rescue, presented the monthly Rescue report to the board.
3. **Community Center:** Community Center Grounds Manager, Katie Bazaire, presented her monthly report to the board. Penny Huffman moved to approve the Picnic Table rental contract and the Community Center rental contract with grammar and spelling error being corrected. Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. Cathleen Martin moved to reimburse the Barryton Little League \$360.00 for 2 sets of breakaway bases for the Fork Township Community Center. Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. John Singer moved to accept the proposal (2009 in lieu of payment proposal) from the Barryton Little League for use of the Fork Township Community Center Ball fields and pavilion area. Penny Huffman seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.
Terry Wright, Chairperson of the Lilac Festival was present to ask the Township Board for permission to use the Township Hall for their Chicken BBQ during the Barryton Lilac Festival. Board had no problem with this request.
Manager, Sabrina Greenspan presented her monthly report to the board. Cathleen Martin moved to purchase a ten burner stove, detachable griddle, flex hose and casters. Cost not to exceed \$3200.00. Penny Huffman seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.
4. **Cemetery:** Cathleen Martin moved to postpone East Fork Cemetery to May 18, 2009 meeting. Jack Bark Sr. seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
5. **White Pine Apartments:** Supervisor Jack Bark Sr. and Clerk Cathleen Martin updated the Township Board on Attorney, Eric Williams opinion of the White Pine Apartments request for an isolation area needed around their wells.

Pubic Comments:

Nancy Mohr reported to the Township Board on Library news and new programs being introduced. Nancy also updated the board on BINGO!!

New Business:

none

Reports:

Jack Bark Sr., Supervisor- Cathleen Martin moved to purchase a Grasshopper 620 48" cut, front flip lawn mower from Remus Repair in the amount of \$8008.20. Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. Cathleen Martin moved to sell the John Deere lawn mower to the Barryton Community Fire Department for \$700.00. Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. Cathleen Martin moved to hire Jack Bark Sr. as additional help for mowing, trimming and doing foundations for the Cemeteries. John Singer seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

Cathleen A. Martin, Clerk- Cathleen Martin moved to authorize the Fork Township Board members to attend the MTA On The Road (Spring District Meeting) paying registration, mileage and per diems. Penny Huffman seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. Penny Huffman moved to authorize the clerk to purchase the necessary checks needed for each fund. John Singer seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

Patti McNeilly, Treasurer- presented Jack Bark with a list from Don Cushman on how many flags are needed for each cemetery.

Penny Huffman, Trustee- reported that Vangaurd has serviced the township halls fire extinguishers and signs. Penny also stated that someone has been placing advertisement signs in the windows of the Township Hall and she would be removing them.

John Singer, Trustee- nothing to report.

Adjournment:

John Singer moved to adjourn the meeting. Patti McNeilly seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:57p.m.

Cathleen A. Martin, Fork Township Clerk

Approved:

Jack Bark Sr., Fork Township Supervisor