

# Bangor Township

## Board Meeting March 11th, 2008

The regular meeting of the Bangor Township Board was held at the Bangor Township Hall on March 11th, 2008 at 8:00PM. Board members present were Regina Hoover-Supervisor, Linda Poland-Clerk, David Houdek-Treasurer, Trustees Dennis Hessey and James Karr.

### I. Opened meeting at 8:00 PM

#### A. Pledge of Allegiance

### II. Approved minutes of regular meeting February 12<sup>th</sup> 2008 by consent

Approved minutes of special meeting February 28<sup>th</sup> 2008 by consent

### III. Reports

#### A. Clerks Report

##### 1. Receipts

8 totaling \$102,098.88

##### 2. Bills

Vouchers 3557 totaling \$41,871.29

##### 3. Motion to approve vouchers 3557-3584 totaling \$41,871.29 and order paid

Motion: Hessey Second: Karr

Hoover:yes, Hessey:yes, Karr:yes, Poland:yes, Houdek:yes

Supervisor declares motion passed

#### B. Treasurers Report

1. West Michigan Savings Bank-Money Market \$ 126,448.58

Interest \$ 84.78

2. West Michigan Savings Bank-Checking \$ 6,245.92

3. West Michigan Tax Checking \$294,525.89

4. Fifth/Third Bank Savings \$106,619.30

Interest \$ 66.14

5. National City Sweep Checking \$107,682.32

Interest \$ 224.42

#### C. Fire Board-Derek Babcock reports 43 calls for the month

D. Hospital-Roger Thomas reports -Book fair April 22, and the following classes are offered: Smoking Cessation, Entree Exchange, Motivational Speaker-Travis Roy, Cancer Care

E. Supervisor's report-No Building permits, 2 land divisions

### IV. Correspondence and Notices (Clerk)-2 MTA upcoming classes and Pictometry training

### V. Old Business

#### A. Two bids were received for lawn care

Motion to accept the bid from Handyman Lawn Care for 6200.00

Motion: Poland Second: Houdek

Hoover:yes, Hessey:no, Karr:no, Poland:yes, Houdek:yes

Supervisor declares motion passed

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**B. Motion to accept Board of Review resignation from Barry Nelson due to a move out of the Township**

**Motion: Hessey Second: Houdek**

**Hoover:yes, Hessey:yes, Karr:yes, Poland:yes Houdek:yes**

**Supervisor declares motion passed**

**VI. New Business**

**A. Motion to approve \$750.00 for the Van Buren County Hazardous Waste program**

**Motion: Karr Second: Houdek**

**Hoover:yes, Hessey:yes, Karr:yes, Poland:yes Houdek:yes**

**Supervisor declares motion passed**

**B. Settlement Day Meeting March 27<sup>th</sup> 2008 7:00PM Bangor Township Hall**

**Regular meeting recessed for Special Hearing 8:30**

**The Supervisor read the Budget category Totals, 6 persons and the Township board was present, there was no further discussion**

**The regular meeting resumed at 8:35**

**C. Financial Resolution**

### **Budget Resolution 08-05**

#### **Title:General Appropriations Act of 2009 for Bangor Township**

A resolution to establish a general appropriations act for Bangor Township to define the powers and duties of the Bangor Township officers in relation to the administration of the budget; and to provide remedies for refusal or neglect to comply with the requirements of this ordinance.

**The Board of Trustees of Bangor Township resolves:**

#### **Section 1: Title**

This resolution shall be known as the Bangor Township General Appropriations Act.

#### **Section 2: Chief Administrative Officer**

The Supervisor shall be the Chief Administrative Officer and shall perform the duties of the Chief Administrative Officer enumerated in this act.

#### **Section 3: Fiscal Officer**

The Clerk shall be the Fiscal Officer and shall perform the duties of the Fiscal Officer enumerated in this act.

#### **Section 4: Public Hearings on the Budget**

Pursuant to MCLA 141.412; MCLA 141.413, notice of a public hearing on the proposed budget was published in a newspaper of general circulation on March 3rd, 2008 and a public hearing on the proposed budget was held on March 11, 2008.

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## Section 5: Estimated Revenues

Estimated township general fund revenues for fiscal year ending March 31, 2009 including an allocated millage of .84960 mill,(or that portion left after Headlee adjustments); voter-authorized millages (3.50430 mills road tax, .33960 mills hospital tax, .24630 mills Senior services tax, up to 10 mills fire and ambulance tax as determined by board following hearings as prescribed by state law, and any millages that may be passed in the coming year, or those portions thereof after Headlee adjustments); and various miscellaneous revenues shall total \$ 677,030.00 (See attached budget).

## Section 6: Millage Levy

The Bangor Township Board shall cause to be levied and collected the general property tax on all real and personal property within the township upon the current tax roll an amount as authorized under state law and approved by the electorate.

## Section 7: Estimated Expenditures

Estimated township general fund expenditures for fiscal year ending March 31, 2009 for the various township cost centers totaling \$734,898.00 are as follows: (See attached budget).

## Section 8: Adoption of Budget by Reference

The general fund budget of Bangor Township is hereby adopted by reference, with revenues and activity expenditures as indicated in Sections 5 & 7 of this act.

**Motion: Hoover Second: Houdek**

**Hoover:yes, Hessey:no, Karr:yes, Poland:yes Houdek:yes**

**Supervisor declares motion passed**

### D. Poverty Exemption for BOR

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## POVERTY GUIDELINES RESOLUTION RESOLUTION 08-06

WHEREAS, the homestead of persons who, in the judgment of the supervisor and board of review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation under the General Property Tax Act; and

WHEREAS, the township board is required by Section 7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL 211.7u), to adopt guidelines for poverty exemptions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to MCL 211.7u, that Bangor Township, Van Buren County, adopts the following guidelines for the supervisor and board of review to implement.

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on a annual basis:

- 1) Be an owner of and occupy as a homestead the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 2) File a claim with the supervisor and board of review, accompanied by federal and state income tax

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returns for all persons residing in the homestead, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year.

3) Produce a valid drivers' license or other form of identification, if requested.

4) Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested if requested.

5) Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Office of Management and Budget.

6) The applicant exemption shall be filed after January 1, but before the day prior to the last day of the board of review.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the board of review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption, unless the board of review determines there are substantial and compelling reasons why there should be a deviation from the policy and federal guidelines and these are communicated in writing to the claimant.

Motion by:Karr

Supported by:Hessey

Roll Call Vote

Ayes 5

Nays 0

Absent 0

Abstain 0

Resolution declared adopted

Effective Date: 3/11/08

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Linda Poland, Clerk  
Bangor Township

**E. March 24<sup>th</sup> Joint Fire Board Meeting**

**F. Brief discussion pertaining to article in Capitol Currents**

**Meeting Adjourned 8:50PM**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Linda Poland**

**Bangor Township Clerk**