

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 08, 2011  
TOWNSHIP OF FOREST – BEATRICE BANYAS – CLERK**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Beatrice Banyas, Clerk. Board members present were: Clerk, Beatrice Banyas; Treasurer, Linda Smoke; Trustee's Mark Martin and Al Sorge. Absent: Supervisor, Valerie Pace.

Trustee Mark Martin was asked to Chair the meeting in the absence of Supervisor Pace. He accepted.

Guests attending were: Dave Upthegrove, Dave Lutze, Wayne Nelson, Stephanie Nelson, Greg Goss, Dan Wilson, Bob Breckenridge, Darlene Hicks and Mary Ann Price.

Motion by Sorge, seconded by Smoke, to accept the minutes from the regular meeting held on August 11, 2011. All yes, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was reviewed and discussed by the Township Board.

Motion by Smoke, seconded by Martin, to accept the bills submitted for September, 2011 payment, checks numbered 17057 through 17114. Roll call vote: Smoke, yes; Banyas, yes; Martin, yes; Sorge, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Banyas, seconded by Martin, to amend the 2011-2012 budget as follows:

To increase the beginning balance in Revenue, account # 101000629, \$45,693.

To place \$1650 into Community Development – supplies, account #101420740.

To place \$44,043 into Community Development – Contractual Services, account #101420801.

Roll call vote: Smoke, yes; Banyas, yes; Martin, yes; Sorge, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Wayne Nelson informed the Township Board about two (2) trees in the cemetery that need cutting. Martin said that he would check it out.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Smoke, to adopt a resolution to extend the sixty day moratorium on Medical Marijuana facilities opening in Forest Township for six (6) months from today, 09-08-11, until we have better clarification from the state on the medical marijuana law so we can continue to the final completion of a Medical Marijuana Ordinance. All yes, motion carried.

Mark Martin tabled the regular meeting and called the fire and garbage assessment hearing to order at 7:35 P.M.

The fire assessment was postponed. A date will be set later.

Treasurer Linda Smoke informed the Township Board and residents that the garbage assessment amount would need to be increased by \$10 to cover Waste Management's contract increase for 2012 and also because of the fuel cost for garbage pickup has increased.

Mark Martin adjourned the hearing at 7:40 P.M.

Regular meeting was called back to order at 7:41 P.M.

Motion by Smoke, seconded by Banyas, to adopt a resolution to increase the Garbage assessment fee by \$10 per unit for 2011. The fee will be \$130, it was \$120 in 2010. Roll call vote: Banyas, yes; Smoke, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes.

The board discussed placing a railing along the Senior Center entrance on the east side of the Township Building. Type of materials to be used will be checked out before October's board meeting.

Two (2) bids were received to seal cracks and asphalt seal the one (1) mile of roads in Smith Hill Cemetery. Bids were: Ashpalt Masters \$4200 – Creative Lawn and Landscaping \$2450.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Sorge, to adopt a resolution to accept the bid of \$2450 from Creative Lawn and Landscaping to fill cracks and asphalt seal the one (1) mile of roads in Smith Hill Cemetery.

Motion by Banyas, seconded by Smoke, to lease the north eighty (80) acres of Forest Meadows to the Forest Township Firefighters Association, cost will be \$500 per year, for hunting deer and turkey. They will provide their own insurance. All yes, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 P.M. by Mark Martin - Trustee

Submitted by Beatrice Banyas - Clerk