

**BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**  
**March 14, 2017**

PRESENT: Supervisor Chad VanSyckle, Treasurer Melissa VanSyckle, Clerk Penelope Ypma, Trustee Mike Altoft, Trustee Jake Ypma.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor VanSyckle.

**Pledge of Allegiance** to the flag was recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Linda Mellen asked how you go about filing for any township board position.

**MINUTES:** Moved by P. Ypma, supported by J. Ypma, to approve the February 14, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Report provided. No discussion. Approved as read.

**APPROVE WARRANTS:** Moved by J. Ypma, supported by M. Altoft, to approve payment for checks # 11187-11211 in the amount of \$50,112.79. No discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**APPROVE TREASURER AND CLERK TO PAY END OF YEAR BILLS:** Moved by P. Ypma, supported by M. VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

**LATE FEES FOR WINTER TAXES:** Treasurer VanSyckle explained the 3% late penalty fee the township could charge for any taxes received after Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. Moved by P. Ypma, supported by J. Ypma, that the township not charge a 3% penalty on taxes collected after Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. All ayes. Motion carried.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Gravel road tours with the Barry County Road Commission will be held the week of April 17-20<sup>th</sup>. Clerk Ypma will schedule tours and contact board members with time and date.

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT** – Heather Wing presented a report.

**LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT**

Linda Mellen expressed her concerns for the Hastings School District tax increase. Scott Adams requested the township approve for a Medical Marijuana growing facility, as he would like to apply to the State of Michigan for licensing. Moved by P. Ypma, supported by J. Ypma, to table discussion until next month giving the board time to research the topic. All ayes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

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Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

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Date

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Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

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Date