

Bertrand Township Board Public Hearing Minutes
Special Assessment District for Emergency Medical Services
Through Southwestern Michigan Community Ambulance Service, District #1

Thursday, October 12, 2017

Bertrand Township Hall
3835 Buffalo Rd., Buchanan, MI 49107

Supervisor Hicks called the public hearing to order at 7:04 p.m.

Members Present: Hicks, Kuhn, Payton, Vite, Zelmer

Members Absent: None

Guests present: Brian Scribner, SMCAS Executive Director

Purpose: To answer any questions regarding the special assessment roll prepared by the Township Assessor used to defray the township's share of the cost of maintaining and operating SMCAS.

Public notice was given in the forms of a First-Class letter sent to the address of every parcel in the township qualifying to be assessed as well as two publications in the South Bend Tribune.

Public Comments/Questions

A resident asked if the \$20 is an addition to the current \$20 being assessed, and wondered if SMCAS will still raise additional funds through other solicitations. Supervisor Hicks said the difference with this assessment is that every parcel will now be assessed \$20, not just parcels with a home on it. Brian clarified that SMCAS will not solicit the community for additional funds, although they do offer a membership program to residents.

Board Member Comments

Treasurer Kuhn asked if the assessment roll being voted on was the true assessment he'll use for the tax rolls. Clerk Vite affirmed it was.

Motion made by Hicks to close the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Don Vite
Bertrand Township Clerk

October 12, 2017

Dated