

## **Ovid Township Board**

**August 13, 2012**

### **Regular Meeting**

The Ovid Township Board met at the Township Hall on Monday, August 13, 2012. The following members were present: Sue Miller, Supervisor; Larry Omo, Trustee; Nancy Price, Treasurer; Ron Sampsel, Trustee. Judy Sabaitis, Clerk, was absent. Also in attendance were eleven guests.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:29p.m.

Motion by Ron Sampsel seconded by Larry Omo, that the agenda be approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Larry Omo seconded by Nancy Price, that the July 9, 2012 minutes be accepted as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

The Treasurer's report was presented including payment of bills. Larry Omo asked that the per diem meeting be added for Larry Omo, Ron Sampsel and Russ Jennings and Sue Miller asked that Liquid Tire Fill be added for the dust control of local gravel roads for a total of \$3,400. Larry Omo motioned to pay the Liquid Tire Fill invoice and Ron Sampsel supported. MOTION CARRIED.

Sue Miller asked if there were any other bills. Ron Sampsel stated that he had one from Excel paving and Sue Miller told him to get it to Judy Sabaitis to be paid next month. Larry Omo also stated there was a quote from George Baker for landscaping work at the Lockwood Cemetery. Board members discussed the need for landscaping at this particular location. Sue Miller instructed Larry Omo to bring the quote for next month's meeting. Additional conversation took place amongst board members regarding the upgrade to the cemetery. Sue Miller stated the subject would be tabled until the September meeting.

Sue Miller moved into the Public Comment portion of the meeting and asked if anyone wanted to address the board. After a short pause Ms. Miller stated guests would have another opportunity to address the board at a later point in the meeting, and moved onto old business.

Sue Miller addressed the Junk complaint violation follow up at 416 West Russell Dr. Ms. Miller stated that she spoke to the property owners and she would be meeting them at 3:00 P.M. on Saturday, August 18, 2012. Ms Miller further stated that the second notice prompted the property owner to contact the Township.

Sue Miller stated the Township offices had an issue with carpet beetles that were treated by Evergreen Pest Control. She asked Board Members and Russ Jennings if they had noticed a continued issue. Russ Jennings stated that he only noticed dead bugs at this point. Sue Miller stated that she didn't believe there was a need to have Evergreen Pest Control back for another treatment as the issues appears to be resolved.

Sue Miller addressed new business beginning with the grading of the dust controlled roads. Ms. Miller stated that the Road Commission has asked if Ovid Township would like the grading of these roads at their discretion or only when requested by the Township. Detailed discussion

ensued between Larry Omo, Sue Miller and Don Vrablic regarding the issues with dust control and how dry weather has affected the dust control. A resident in attendance, Eric Whitzman, stated that the dust control on Mudd Lake stops at Lighthouse Drive. Sue Miller explained that there is no dust control in that area because there is no special assessment district and further stated that the residents would need to circulate a petition to amend the dust control.

Sue Miller posed the question again; should the Road Commission grade the dust controlled roads at their discretion Ms. Miller continued, stating that it makes sense for the Road Commission to grade these roads at their discretion. Nancy Price stated that the Road Commission doesn't allow time for the treatment to penetrate and Russ Jennings concurred. Larry Omo suggested they scrape now, or before the dust control is applied. Sue Miller stated that she would contact the Road Commission with the question regarding the timing for grading and the potential for wash boarding. The Board agreed that the Road Commission should grade at their discretion.

The next item of new business was presented by Sue Miller and was a petition from the residents on West Channel Dr for a chip & seal. Sue stated that she received a copy of the letter and the petition was only for the portion of the road occupied by Ovid Township residents. Ms. Miller asked the representatives from West Channel Dr, present at the meeting, if there was any communication with those who reside on the portion of West Channel Lake Dr that is located in Alganssee Township. The residents from Ovid Township stated that they have not contacted the Alganssee residents regarding the chip & seal. Sue Miller encouraged them to approach the residents from Alganssee Townships as Ovid Township would like to see the entire road chip & sealed. One of the attendees stated that they are fine with letting Alganssee worry about their portion of the road. Another attendee stated there was enough money in the Township to do their portion of West Channel Dr and that the residents are hopeful that the Township will consider the chip & seal to improve the condition of the road. After additional discussion regarding the involvement of Alganssee Township residents, Sue Miller stated that the Township would review the request for the 2013 budget.

Sue Miller began another topic of new business, which was creating a special assessment district for aquatic weed control in channel areas abutting Buckeye and Jo Jo Lanes. Ms. Miller stated that the Township needed to pass a resolution hearing as there are other areas with the same issue. Doug Matthews, in attendance from the special hearing, stated the he wanted the Board to know that he was formally opposing the use of the mixture being used for the weed control. Sue Miller stated that the permitting regarding the mixture is not within the Township's jurisdiction and further stated that if there was a concern Mr. Matthews would need to suggest an alternative. After additional debate in which Mr. Matthews again expressed his opposition based on his personal property loss in excess of \$5,000, and he and the Board discussed dates when he began to notice the damage, Sue Miller stated that of the 34 resident in that area, only one opposed the aquatic weed control. Ms. Miller stated that the Township is required to have a second public hearing regarding the creation of a special assessment district for aquatic weed control and stated that maybe Scott Banfield, the contractor applying the weed control, would attend the meeting. Sue Miller stated that the 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearing would be scheduled for September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm with the regular monthly Ovid Township Board Meeting immediately following.

Larry Omo moved to schedule the 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearing on September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm and Ron Sampsel supported. MOTION CARRIED.

Sue Miller stated that she would contact Scott Banfield to see if he could help with a possible resolution and she gave her email address to Doug Matthews.

Sue Miller invited attendees to make public comments. One attendee asked if there was a public noise ordinance, stating that there had been issues in the past, but there were not currently issues. Sue Miller informed him that there was not noise ordinance in Ovid Township. Don Vrablic stated that the issue becomes the threshold of enforcement.

Reports:

Zoning – Russ Jennings reported zoning permit issuing, a possible ZBA for a non conforming property where they built a second story. Sue Miller inquired about the permit application from Jim Bopp and stated that she would contact Chuck Lillis, who was representing Mr. Bob. Russ Jennings also said that they Health Department approved a resident for a holding tank.

Assessing – Sue Miller discussed a cap of \$40,000 exemption related to person property, but hasn't received information related to implementing it.

DPW – Paul Winbigler, Sue Miller stated that Paul Wingbigler was not present.

County Commissioner – Don Vrablic distributed the commissioner report and discussed the drought conditions, euthanasia of animals, animal control, tire collection, the Veterans Memorial – stating they had raised more than \$10,000 thus far.

Cemetery Sexton – Sue Miller stated that George Baker was not present.

Correspondence reviewed included 2 withdrawals from the DEQ for 155 Ray Quincy Rd.

Motion made by Larry Omo seconded by Nancy Price to adjourn the meeting at 9:05pm.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted:

Judy Sabaitis  
Ovid Township Clerk  
Minutes prepared by Robbi Omo