

OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD
December 9, 2013

Regular Board Meeting

The Ovid Township Board met at the Township Hall on Monday, December 9, 2013.

Members present: Sue Miller, Supervisor; Larry Omo, Trustee; Nancy Price, Treasurer; Judy Sabaitis, Clerk; and Ron Sampsel, Trustee. Also in attendance were 7 guests.

The regular meeting was called to order by Sue Miller at 7:30 P.M.

The Board led the guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Ron Sampsel made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, supported by Larry Omo. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MINUTES: Nancy Price made a motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes from November 11, 2013 as presented, supported by Ron Sampsel. **MOTION CARRIED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sue Miller asked if everyone reviewed the Treasurer's Report and if there were any questions or comments. Upon having no questions or comments, Sue Miller stated that the Treasurer's Report would be placed on file.

Larry Omo made a motion to approve payment of the Ovid Treasurer property tax invoice for \$39.21 and the McKenna invoice for \$54.00, supported by Sue Miller. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tim Hart Haberl introduced himself as a candidate for State Representative and shared his experience and qualifications for the position.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Board members discussed the annual meeting with the Branch County Road Commission held on December 5th.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. ***Board discussion related to Nancy Price, Treasurer, being on vacation and not available in January and February for the budget workshops, or Board Meetings.*** The Board set the Budget Workshops for Thursday January 9, 2014 at 5 P.M. and Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:

ZONING – Russ Jennings submitted the zoning report and stated that 5 permits were issued in November. He reported a zoning violation at 579 Pearl Beach Road as it does not meet setbacks.

As the Board requested at the May, 2013 meeting, Mrs. Bodine addressed the Board on the progress of moving the shed at 401 Sunny **Shores Drive**. After reviewing the health issues and recent death of Mr. Bodine, Ron Sampsel made a motion to extend the date for removing the house and moving the shed until May 1, 2014, supported by Larry Omo. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ASSESSING – Sue Miller stated the Board of Review meets December 10th at 6 P.M. She reported that the agriculture and commercial appraisals have not been completed. An update and discussion was held on the disabled veterans' property tax exemption law.

DPW – Paul Winbigler read the minutes from the October 13th and November 12th meetings.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER – Don Vrablic presented the County Commissioner’s report including the following subjects:

Power Outage

No Wage Increase in 2014 for elected, appointed and non-union employees

Economic Summit

Unemployment

Gift of Life

Update on 2014 Budget

Update on pension transfer from John Hancock to MERS

CEMETERY SEXTON – No Report

CORRESPONDENCE – Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study Letter/brochure and Consumer Power Notice of Hearing letter

ADJORNMENT: Nancy Price made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 P.M., supported by Ron Sampsel.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted:

Judy Sabaitis
Ovid Township Clerk