

**OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018**  
**Ovid Township Special Meeting**  
**Ovid Township Hall**

Greg Gemmill called the special board meeting to order, and led the board members and attendees in the pledge of allegiance at 4:30 PM.

Board members present: Shelly AcMoody, Ron Sampsel, Robbi Omo, Greg Gemmill

Board members absent: Larry Omo

Other attendees: Joe Haas, township attorney, and rep from EMC, Jim Straub

Ron Sampsel made a motion to approve the agenda Shelly AcMoody supported the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Public comment – No public comment

1. Special meeting agenda

A. Items related to the fire

- i. Robbi Omo stated that Bell Engineering was working on the contract with Elzinga Volkens and would be in contact with the Township.

B. Closed session due to on-going litigation – Hatmaker Lawsuit

1. Greg Gemmill made a motion to consult with Township attorney and Township litigation attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with the pending lawsuit entitled *Hatmakers v. Ovid Township, et al*, Branch County Circuit Case No. 2017-12-642-CH, since discussing the pending litigation in an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating position of the Township of Ovid, supported by Ron Sampsel.
2. Greg Gemmill took a roll call vote by which each board member voted the following:  
Ron Sampsel - Yes  
Greg Gemmill - Yes  
Shelly AcMoody – Yes  
Robbi Omo - Yes.
3. Ron Sampsel made a motion to come out of closed session, supported by Greg Gemmill
- ii. Greg Gemmill made a motion to accept the recommendation of litigation council made in closed session. Ron Samsel supported. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ron Sampsel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM, supported by Ron Sampsel. MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Robbi Omo, Ovid Township Clerk