

**OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**May 14th, 2018**  
**Ovid Township Regular Board Meeting**  
**Ovid Township Hall**

Greg Gemmill called the regular board meeting to order at 7:30PM. Board members led attendees in the pledge of allegiance.

Ron Sampsel made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. L. Omo supported the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of minutes from the April 9<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting, motion made by L Omo to approve the minutes, supported by Ron Sampsel. MOTIONS CARRIED.

Treasurer's report – Larry Omo had a question regarding two payments. Shelly AcMoody explained that the payments for services from Matt Barrows for special assessments, and not from the township general fund. Greg Gemmill made a motion to place Treasurer's report on file. MOTION CARRIED.

Public comment

Greg Gemmill read a letter of resignation from Trustee Ron Sampsel with an effective retirement date of June 2018.

I. Old Business

A. Rhonda Pebernat – zoning violation. Greg Gemmill stated that Joe Haas, township attorney, drafted an agreement for Rhonda to sign a document stating that money is not changing hands, which she refused to sign. Greg Gemmill made a motion to pursue legal action, supported by Ron Sampsel. MOTION CARRIED

B. BCRC – Gravel Road Schedule. Greg Gemmill presented the list for a gravel road schedule for Ovid Township. Larry Omo and Greg Gemmill discussed. Larry Omo asked Russ Jennings (Supervisor – Algansee township) if they would be doing any work on Corliss Rd in Algansee Township. Russ said he could ask his board. Larry asked Shelly how Kern Rd was looking. She stated that it has some issues and could be resurfaced. Greg stated that we would do everything suggested with the exception of Corliss – we will wait until Algansee makes a decision to do theirs.

i. Larry Omo made a motion to accept the wedging recommendations provided by the BCRC, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED

ii. Shelly AcMoody made a motion to accept the gravel road recommendation/schedule as submitted by the BCRC with the exception of Corliss Rd. Supported by Larry Omo. MOTION CARRIED

C. Dereck Paradine – Junk Violation Update – Court date has been changed, will report on this next month.

## I. NEW BUSINESS

- A. DISCUSSION OF TOWNSHIP HANDBOOK – Robbi Omo made a motion to accept the new handbook as a guiding document, supported by Ron Sampsel. MOTION CARRIED.
- B. E & W RUSSELL, & CENTER DRIVES SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
- i. E & W Russell and Center, and Longview Dr. issues with roads and lack of necessary funds in the assessments. Larry Omo asked the resident representative how much money they need to finish the road. The spokesperson said that they had approximately \$8,000 in their assessment, the chip sealcoat would be \$9,234. The resident is requesting the township's help to cover the shortfall. Ron Sampsel made a motion to cover up to \$1,400 overage with a 5% interest rate. Supported by Larry Omo. MOTION CARRIED.
- C. COLDWATER LAKE ASSOCIATION FIREWORKS PERMIT – Greg Gemmill made a motion to approve the application, supported by Larry Omo. MOTION CARRIED.
- D. RESOLUTION 2018-5-14A – RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE DUST CONTROL FOR 2018 SUMMER SEASON. Larry Omo made a resolution to accept the 2018 dust control proposal for two applications. Supported by Ron Sampsel.
- i. Supervisor took roll call vote:
    - i. Shelly AcMoody – Yes
    - ii. Robbi Omo – Yes
    - iii. Larry Omo – Yes
    - iv. Greg Gemmill – Yes
    - v. Ron Sampsel – Yes
    - vi. RESOLUTION PASSED
- E. Matt Sussex – 542 Iyopawa Rd – Lot line discrepancy – Matt Sussex explained the issues he is having with his non-conforming lot. He showed the survey to Greg Gemmill and Larry Omo and discussed the issues further stating that the house that currently sits on the lot is partially on a lot that is owned by someone else. The township Assessor, Melissa Lane, stated that the property does not show a record of ownership, and needs legal attention and the Township doesn't need to make any decisions. Robbi Omo stated as clarification, that even if he purchased four feet, the property would still be non-conforming. Matt's concern is that he will spend the money to get the additional property so the existing house is all on his property, and he will get fined by the township for non-conforming property. Board members assured him that since it's already non-conforming, that won't be an issue unless he tried to build something on the property.
- F. Old Hickory chip & seal paving project – Greg Gemmill presented the requested proposal from the Branch County Road Commission - \$124,288.86, which came in at a cost of more than twice what was originally given in a verbal estimate, which was around \$50,000. Board members discussed the extra costs, which included removal of three trees, advanced road maintenance payments. Board members requested that Greg Gemmill discuss the quote with the BCRC to see if they would be willing to revise the estimate, removing the future maintenance portion.
- G. Cemetery Sign Discussion – Signs at Wilson Cemetery – wording points away from Central. Greg requested permission to have some lettering added to the other side of

the sign. Sign needs to be adjusted because it is crooked. Larry Omo recommended that the sign be moved so it can be read from east and west. Greg stated that he could look into getting lettering and fix the sign.

#### H. ITEMS RELATED TO FIRE

- i. Robbi Omo gave a report regarding the status of construction of the new township hall, which included issues with water, pea stone backfill, grading the ground, installing utilities, pouring the floor and framing.

#### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. The Sherriff presented his report.
- b. Babjack from the Coldwater Lake Association wanted to let the board and attendees that they want to start conversations about the Warren Rd bridge and start developing an action plan to be prepared to fix/replace the bridge.

#### 1. REPORTS

- ASSESSING – MELISSA LANE – Melissa Lane presented the assessing report
- DPW – NONE
- COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DON VRABLIC presented the commissioner's report
- CEMETERY SEXTON – LUCAS CRONKHITE – Lucas was absent, but the clerk summarized sexton activities for the month
- FIRE DEPARTMENT – JOE JEPSON – no report
- ZONING – RUSS JENNINGS presented the zoning report

#### CORRESPONDANCE

There are no correspondence

#### ADJOURNMENT

Larry Omo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 PM, supported by Robbi Omo. MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Robbi Omo, Ovid Township Clerk