

Ovid Township
(Branch County, Michigan)
October 8, 2018
Regular Board Meeting
Minutes

Greg Gemmill called the meeting to order at 7:30. The board lead attendees in the Pledge to the Flag.

Members present: Larry Omo, Trustee; Greg Gemmill, Supervisor; Jim Snivley, Trustee; Shelly AcMoody, Treasurer; Robbi Omo, Clerk

Members absent: none

Others present: There were 7 guests in attendance.

Approval of the agenda – Shelly AcMoody a line be added to the agenda to discuss the special assessment dispersements. Larry Omo made a motion to add “Special Assessment Checks” to the agenda after the treasurer’s report, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of minutes from September 10th regular board meeting. Larry Omo made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer’s Report – Robbi Omo had one addition from General Sanitation for approximately \$400, stating that she hasn’t received the invoice yet, but should get it within a day or two.

Shelly AcMoody, discussed maturing CD – another maturing in January, April and July of 2019. Robbi Omo made motion to utilize Honor Credit Union at 2.84%, giving Shelly discretion regarding the changing daily rate. Supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED.

Special Assessment checks – Shelly informed members of the board of the process used for issuing the special assessment checks, and thanked those who helped.

Reports:

SHERIFF – JOHN POLLACK – delivered the Sheriff’s report, including a report regarding construction of the new jail.

ASSESSING – MELISSA LANE – delivered the assessing report.

CEMETERY SEXTON – LUCAS CRONKHITE – Greg asked about contacting Lucas regarding a stone bed for the Township Rock out front.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DON VRABLIC – delivered the commissioner’s report.

DPW – PAUL WIMBIGLER – no report

ZONING – RUSS JENNINGS – Russ Jennings asked board to drop the complaint regarding the cats at 607 Kim Drive. The owner has brought chemicals in to neutralize the smell and rectify

the issue. Larry Omo made a motion to drop the case, but if the complaint recurs it goes directly to the courts, Greg Gemmill supported. MOTION CARRIED.

Russ Jennings also discussed residents Patrick and Michele Cannon – Shed too close to property. Asked zoning administrator if the board would be willing to hold his case until May 1st. Larry Omo Made a motion to give the resident until May 1st to resolve the issue, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED

LAKELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT – JOE JEPSON – They have elected a chief and a deputy chief.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

Resident, Becky, questioned property not in Ovid, one in Ovid on Filmore and Central. Greg stated that the owner was working to get a well and septic. Larry Omo requested that it be put on the agenda for next month's meeting to set a time frame on getting the well and septic complete. Appreciates the township's work on the special assessments.

Lloyd Walrack asked about the letter he gave to the board at the last meeting. Greg informed him that if he wants copies of the documents requested in the letter, he would have to submit a FOIA request, and would be subject to the costs involved according to the township's FOIA policy.

Robbi Omo made a public comment as a resident and Clerk of Ovid Township regarding the inappropriate, abusive, and counter-productive behavior of specific residents.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. SPECIAL USE PERMITS FOR SOLAR & WIND ENERGY – Greg Gemmill made a motion to accept the recommendations from the Planning Commission and update the fees and fines structure table accordingly, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED.
- B. RESOLUTION 2018-10-8-A, A RESOLUTION TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO TREASURE COVE, AND TO SET TIME AND DATE FOR 1ST PUBLIC HEARING – 1st hearing at 7:00pm before the November board meeting – 12th. Greg Gemmill made a motion to pass the resolution and set the first public hearing, supported by Larry Omo.
 - a. Roll call vote was taken
 - i. Larry Omo – Yes
 - ii. Shelly AcMoody – Yes
 - iii. Greg Gemmill – Yes
 - iv. Jim Snivley – Yes
 - v. Robbi Omo – Yes
- C. JUNK VIOLATION – MARK CHANEY – 674 WAYNES BEACH – Greg updated the board on the status of the violation. This has been turned over to the courts.

- D. DISCUSS PAVEMENT ON WARREN ROAD BRIDGE – Greg spoke with BRCR regarding the bridge. He stated that it was on the schedule to resurface this fall. Replacing, rebuilding is the responsibility of the Branch County Road Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. APPLICATION FOR PETITION OF BUCKEYE LANE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT – Greg Gemmill made a motion to accept application for special assessment, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED.
- B. APPLICATION FOR PETITION OF SUSIE LANE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT – Greg Gemmill made a motion to accept application and proceed with petition, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED.
- C. APPLICATION FOR PETITION OF SUNNY SHORES / MELODY SHORES / LINDSEY ACRES ASSESSMENT DISTRICT – Greg Gemmill made a motion to accept application, and move on to petition, supported by Larry Omo. MOTION CARRIED.
- D. JUNK VIOLATION (2ND) 415 BUCK ROAD – Greg Gemmill stated that his violation is due to go to the sheriff, and made a motion that this be turned over to the authorities, supported by Larry Omo who noted that this is not her first violation. MOTION CARRIED.
- E. ITEMS RELATED TO FIRE / CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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Max Benjamin made a public comment regarding bridge on Warren Rd.

Lloyd Walrack expressed concern for the way his personal issue within the township was handled.

Becky asked a question regarding a junk issue on a different property.

- A. CORRESPONDENCE – Robbi Omo presented 3 correspondences.

Larry Omo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:03PM, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED.