

Ovid Township
(Branch County, Michigan)
September 10, 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 10 guests in attendance.

Approval of the agenda – Greg Gemmill added “C” under old business – Petition for Treasure Cove, and “E” under new business – Items related to the fire/construction updates. Robbi Omo requested that Jim Frendt be moved to reports under “H”. Larry Omo made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions/changes. Supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of minutes from August 13th, 2018 Board Meeting – Greg Gemmill requested that the word “flat” be change to “plat” on page four, last paragraph. Larry Omo made a motion to accept the minutes with the change. Supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer’s Report – Robbi Omo had five additions to the payables, totaling \$567.32.

Reports:

- A. Sheriff – John Pollack – no report
- B. Assessing – Melissa Lane presented assessing report including AMAR update, special assessment, vacation Sept 17-24
- C. Cemetery Sexton – Lucas Cronkhite -no report
- D. County Commissioner – Don Vrablic – Don Vrablic presented the county commissioner’s report.
- E. DPW – Paul Wimbigler – no report
- F. Lakeland Fire Dept. – Joe Jepson presented the Lakeland Fire Department report, and informed the board that the current Chief has accepted another position and they will be electing a new Chief
- G. Zoning - Russ Jennings – Russ Jennings presented the zoning administrator’s report
- H. Jim Frendt, SK&T – Auditor – Jim Frendt, Township Auditor from SK&T presented the audit report.

Public Comment:

Lloyd Walrack submitted a letter to the board. He also discussed draft minutes and the township website.

Old Business

- A. Junk violation – 571 Maple Knoll – Nancy Sauerland/Phil Fanger – Landscaping timbers installed to replace the mismatched timbers. This complaint has been closed.
- B. Junk violation – 674 Wayne Beach – Mark Chaney 2nd violation – Greg updated board members regarding the status of this complaint. Chaney has removed the garage, shed has caved-in roof. Waiting on court date.
- C. Petition for Treasure Cove – Tom Shennefield presented his petition to the board for his road assessment. Greg and Tom had conversation regarding how we will proceed after speaking with the attorney.

New Business

- A. Approval of Hurst Indemnity agreement – Roll call vote to establish that the signing of the document was approved on February 14th of 2018.
 - Jim Snivley – yes, Larry Omo – yes, Shelly AcMoody – yes, Greg Gemmill – yes, Robbi Omo – yes
 - No nays
 - RESOLUITON PASSED
- B. Corless road – Gravel - .25 mile @ \$14,000 per/\$3,500
 - Jim Snivley – yes, Larry Omo – yes, Shelly AcMoody – yes, Greg Gemmill – yes, Robbi Omo – yes
 - No nays
 - RESOLUTION PASSED
- C. Planning commission recommendations for fees for solar, wind, and construction permits to less than 9” high (driveways, sidewalks, patios, and decks). Andy AcMoody, planning commission chairperson stated the thought process behind the fee schedule. He also stated that on top of the \$400 commercial permits, if there are any engineering or attorney fees, that would be an additional cost to the applicant.
 - Greg Gemmill made a motion to add \$50 permit fee for residential solar panels, \$50 fee for residential wind turbines, \$50 for Driveways, patios, and decks (for non-new construction) would go under the Accessory permit fee of \$50. \$400 for commercial (greater than 5000 sq ft) wind turbine (per site), \$400 for commercial (greater than 5000 sq ft) solar panels (per site). Any additional engineering fees or professional services will be at the expense of the applicant. Jim Snivley supported. MOTION CARRIED.
 - The board is referring the solar and wind turbine farms fee structure back to the planning commission.

D. Items related to the fire/construction update

- Robbi Omo discussed purchased for the new Township hall, board members agreed on chairs, desks, and small conference room table.
- The clerk informed the board of amount received from insurance company claim and amount paid out by township, thus far: \$241,960.62, \$189,696.87, respectively. She also informed board member that she has submitted for additional reimbursements related to engineering services, mobile office rental and sanitation services.
- She informed members that the building should be complete by the end of the month, but certainly prior to the election in November.

Public Comment:

Joe Jepson stated that the Lake Association has been discussing replacing the small bridge on Coldwater Lake. Joe Jepson asked if the Township would have to pay for the bridge. The board and attendees discussed how the roads are funded and maintained.

Lloyd Walrack discussed the condition of roads around the lake.

Correspondence

Robbi Omo presented 3 correspondence

Adjourn Larry Omo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:48PM, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED