

OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD
September 11, 2017
Ovid Township Regular Board Meeting
Ovid Township Hall – Mobile Office

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

Members present: Greg Gemmill, Supervisor, Robbi Omo, Clerk, Shelly AcMoody, Treasurer, Ron Sampsel, Trustee, Larry Omo, Trustee

Members Absent: none

Others Present: 19 guests

AGENDA APPROVAL

L. Omo made a motion to approve the agenda with addition of SK&T audit report under public comment. Sampsel supports. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM BOARD MEETING HELD ON August 14th, 2017

AcMoody made a motion to accept August 14th board meeting minutes with corrections under 'B.' regarding the junk violation to correct verbiage to read that "he sent letter to Mark Tom regarding Mr. Fincham's trash" - not the neighbors trash – Mr. Fincham's trash has worked its way onto Mark Tom's property according to Mr. Tom. Sampsel supports. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes from special board meeting from August 23, 2017:

Gemmill made a motion to approve minutes from special meeting as submitted. L. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

AcMoody made a motion to approve treasurer's report with 5 additions; Kendrick Stationers \$153.08, BCRC \$26,760, McKenna Associates, Inc. 123.76, MML \$175.00, General Sanitation \$400.00, and allow R. Omo to cut the checks for additions. L. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: SK&T report – Auditor, Jim Frendt, delivered the annual audit report with favorable comments, stating that Ovid Township is fiscally sound.

Sheriff Pollack – delivered Sheriff's report.

Tom Shenefield – Special Assessment – wanted to address the board regarding a request to pay for signs from the special assessment, which was previously denied. Board members explained that the Township is restricted to using funds from the special assessment for their original assessment usage as stated in the assessment contract. Mr. Shenefield asked to manipulate the road maintenance special assessment funds to cover the costs, because 51% off residents on road agreed via email that road safety signs fall under road maintenance. Board members Gemmill and L. Omo stated that using the funds for signage does not fall under road maintenance and would therefore be a breach of contract. The board acknowledged Mr. Shenefield's frustration, and further stated that they cannot override what the assessment reads. Mr. Shenefield clarified with Board members that a special meeting and new petition would need to be in place in order to change the verbiage of the special assessment to accommodate signage costs.

Jeff Bodine – Buck Rd. – Inquired about what would be needed to add a lean-to to side of pole barn. Greg Gemmill stated that it would require variance, and needs to be discussed with the Zoning Administrator.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Resolution #2017-9-11A, to rescind special assessment district for road maintenance on Buckeye Ln. Greg Gemmill suggested following the path of surrounding townships to rescind the assessment and issue checks to residents/property owners who are currently being assessed.
Gemmill made the motion to pass resolution and would like to strike "less mailing, and administrative fees". L. Omo supports.
Gemmill YES
L. Omo YES
Sampsel YES
AcMoody YES
R. Omo YES
RESOLUTION PASSED.
- B. Resolution #2017-9-11B, amendment to ordinance #23, junk accumulation & storage.
Gemmill made a motion to pass resolution. L. Omo supports.
Gemmill YES
L. Omo YES
Sampsel YES
R. Omo YES
AcMoody YES
RESOLUTION PASSED.
- C. Resolution #2017-9-11C, to add a \$100.00 fine to land-split fee if proper channels through the township board are not followed.
Gemmill made a motion to pass resolution. Sampsel supports.
Gemmill YES
R. Omo YES
L. Omo YES
AcMoody YES
Sampsel YES
RESOLUTION PASSED.
- D. Junk Violation – 126 Robin drive- Molly Smith
Received letter from Fiesta Shores, and Fiesta Shores residents threatened the offending resident with Ovid violation. Gemmill addressed issue with both resident and Fiesta Shores association, and issued a proper violation notification. Per Gemmill, all 3 letters have been sent; nothing has been cleaned up. Gemmill made a motion to turn it over to Sheriff's department. L. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.
- E. Re-address Junk Violation – 434 Sycamore Beach – Richard & Darlene Fincham
Mark Tom has received a letter of violation, and suggested the township send letter to Fincham, even though property belongs to Mark Tom, because the junk belongs to Fincham.
L. Omo made a motion to send property owner and junk owner letters of violation. AcMoody supports. MOTION CARRIED. This will be the 3rd violation to Fincham, and the 2nd notice letter.
- F. Rhonda Pebernat – 169 Behke Rd. – Not zoned commercial
Joe Haas has not yet forwarded his opinion on the matter – tabled until October meeting.
- G. Discussion on wind & solar farms (planning commission)
Ron Sampsel stated that the planning commission only had three members in attendance at the planning commission meeting Tuesday, September 5, so this issue was tabled until more planning commission members present to discuss.
L. Omo made a motion to table until next month. Gemmill supports. MOTION CARRIED-TABLED

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Re-address junk violation (New Complaint) – Mark Chaney – 674 Waynes Beach
Gemmill received a letter from several residents expanding their junk complaints beyond falling garage to include vehicles, boats, and general junk on property. Gemmill made a motion to send Chaney another letter including new issues. This will be the first letter of his second violation. R. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.
- B. Junk Violation – Daniel & Bonnie Erickson – 386 Pearl Rd.
Cars, and junk on property, also people living in trailer through summer. L. Omo made a motion to send letter. Sampsel supports. MOTION CARRIED.
- C. Increase road maintenance assessment district on Susie Lane by 10%, from \$138.00 per residence to \$151.80
Gemmill made a motion to increase special assessment on Susie Lane by 10%. R. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.
- D. Lot coverage recommendation from planning commission
Planning commission recommended no changes to lot coverage ordinance.
Gemmill made a motion to make no changes to the lot coverage ordinance. Sampsel supports. MOTION CARRIED.
- E. Ovid township hall sign for trailer
Residents have been thinking the mobile office is a contractor's trailer, so a banner has been recommended to establish that it is in fact Ovid Township's mobile office.
Gemmill made a motion to get a banner style sign that reads "Ovid Township Hall". AcMoody supports. MOTION CARRIED.
- F. Items related to fire.
Final plan from Belle Engineering
Sampsel made a motion to approve building plans and move forward with the project. R. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.
Contractor information needs to be relayed to Belle so they can bid it out.
Insurance adjuster needs time frame – Denny suggested sometime mid next year.
Sampsel made a motion to use June 1st, 2018 as a target date for completion of project. AcMoody supports. MOTION CARRIED.
Payment for demolition has been submitted along with election space rental, trustee special meeting salary payment, and ModSpace additional work. Township should be receiving checks from EMC totaling \$1,005.00.
Modspace contract is about to expire. R. Omo made a motion to extend contract for 6 months. L. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.
Election location was voted to be at Coldwater Lake Association - \$100 per day contract (Coldwater Lake Association to waive the rental fee, but adjuster has agreed to pay for changed location space, and location change advertisement.
Clerk and Deputy Clerk attended new election equipment training

IIX. PUBLIC COMMENT

REPORTS

- A. **ZONING** – RUSS JENNINGS delivered the zoning report **ZBA – September 21st**
- B. **ASSESSING** – MELISSA LANE delivered the assessing report
- C. **DPW** – Paul Winbigler delivered DPW report
- D. **COUNTY COMMISSIONER** – DON VRABLIC presented the commissioner report
- E. **CEMETERY SEXTON** – George delivered the cemetery sexton report
- F. **Lakeland Fire Department** – Joe Jepson delivered the Fire Department report

CORRESPONDANCE

R. Omo delivered correspondence – 2 DEQs, 1 MTA training, and MML audit report

ADJOURNMENT

L. Omo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was supported by R. Omo. Meeting was adjourned at 9:08 pm. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted by Robbi Omo, Ovid Township Clerk

Recorded by Deputy (Recording) Clerk, Samantha Pickering