

OVID TOWNSHIP
June 12, 2017
Regular Board Meeting
Ovid Township Hall

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: 10 guests

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM BOARD MEETING HELD ON May 8th

L. Omo made a motion to accept May 8, 2017 board meeting minutes with the addition of L. Omo to members present. Sampsel supports. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gemmill made a motion to accept treasurer's report as submitted. L. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

A resident asked if the township has received any compensation from the insurance company for the fire yet. Greg Gemmill responded that the township has not.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Junk Violation – revisit 434 Sycamore Beach – Richard & Darlene Fincham
Came forward with vehicle registration and plates, no boat on property within the year, and getting permit for the fence this week. L Omo made a motion to close the violation. Sampsel supports. Violation is closed. MOTION CARRIED

- B. Junk Violation – Mark Chaney – 674 Waynes Beach Dr.
Garage roof caved in- contractor contacted to repair – building permit pending & will need zoning permit - Gemmill will contact him about zoning permit & regulations, and inform owner to contact the Zoning Administrator to confirm ordinance compliancy.
L. Omo made a motion to table this violation until July meeting until compliancy is clear, and property owner has been contacted. AcMoody supports. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Summer Newsletter
Board members reviewed and discussed the draft of the summer newsletter. After discussion the recommended changes are: change location of drop box on newsletter, and change location of meetings to mobile office instead of Kinderhook.

- B. Resolution 2017-6-12A – A resolution to authorize payment for asphalt wedging on Grass Lake Rd. Between Paradine and Pearl - \$4,700 (Amount due: \$2,350)
L. Omo made a motion to vote to approve the resolution. Gemmill supports.
Sampsel YES
L. Omo YES
Gemmill YES
AcMoody YES
R. Omo YES
RESOLUTION PASSED.
- C. Resolution 2017-6-12B – A resolution to authorize payment for asphalt wedging on Wood Rd. & Volkmer Rd. between Coldwater Twp. And Central Rd. on Wood Rd & Volkmer Dr between Quimby Rd. and end - \$9,500 (Amount due: \$4,750)
Sampsel made a motion to vote to pass this resolution. L. Omo supports.
R. Omo YES
Sampsel YES
L. Omo YES
AcMoody YES
Gemmill YES
RESOLUTION PASSED.

Note: both contracts from BCRC state Girard Township. This was crossed out by the Clerk and changed to Ovid Township. Gemmill will contact the Road Commission to correct the contract template on their end

- D. Budget Amendments
See attached memo for details regarding budget amendments that will increase the budget by \$36,200.00. The majority of the increase is due to Lakeland Fire department contract and Ovid Township Hall fire-related items.
Sampsel made a motion to approve the amendments. L. Omo supports. MOTION CARRIED.
- E. Report on Walrack/Vitz rain water issue (Attorney opinion)
Gemmill Informed attendees that he sent pictures of property and details of the complaint to the Township attorney, Joe Haas. Joe does not feel the water was being misplaced, and it is his opinion that the Vitzs' have taken measures to prevent water runoff to the Walrack property. It is the opinion of the township and township attorney that there is no violation for the Township to pursue. The Walrack's submitted a FOIA request to the Clerk requesting all documents the Township has in relation to the complaint.
Larry Omo also noted that there has been an unusually large amount of rainfall this year. Further discussion ensued regarding encroachment of the driveway, which Greg Gemmill informed the parties involved was a civil issue between property owners.
- F. Report on Bella Vista fence & pathway (Ron Carey meeting)
Greg Gemmill informed board members that he has requested Ron Carey to post a two-sided sign as he believes that would assist in complying with the PUD – the sign would read, "foot-path only". Christine Forrister stated that there are two openings at the fence, and there's only supposed to be one according to PUD. Attendees and board members discussed how the golf cart issue has improved and that the Township cannot police and has no legal obligation or liability when it comes to golf carts on the roads
- G. Junk Violation – 694 Tallahassee Rd.
Greg Gemmill presented an anonymous letter addressed to Gemmill and siting a junk complaint at 694 Tallahassee Rd. Greg Gemmill looked at the property and stated that he did see un-plated vehicles and asked the board how they wanted to proceed. Larry Omo stated that the Township's

past practice has been to not accept un-signed or anonymous junk complaints. After additional discussion by the board, it was determined that the Township would proceed with the junk complaint since it was viewed initially by the Supervisor and we are aware of the complaint.

L. Omo made a motion to send a letter to the property owner to report at the next meeting. Sampsel supports. MOTION CARRIED.

H. Items related to fire

Robbi Omo stated that she and Greg Gemmill will be meeting with a newly assigned adjuster from the insurance company. A meeting date and time have not been determined yet. Since there is no quorum of the board, this will not require a special meeting.

Greg Gemmill stated that per Jeff Longardener the burned out building will be demolished and down to the slab by end of this week.

Greg Gemmill scheduled special meeting for board members to discuss the preliminary design of new building for Monday, June 19, 2017 at the township's mobile office at 1 PM. The Clerk will post a meeting notice as required by the Open Meetings Act.

I. Buckeye Lane Rd. Rep.

Gemmill sent a letter to all the residents at Buckeye Lane on the 24th of May explaining that no one had come forward as their rep to deal with their special assessment district.

Gemmill doesn't think the special assessment can be dissolved without the district petitioning for a special hearing to do that. Gemmill will report back next month with more information about what can be done.

IIX. PUBLIC COMMENT

I. REPORTS

A. ZONING – RUSS JENNINGS delivered the zoning report

Jennings asked the board if he could contact the attorney regarding his opinion on Pebernat violation.

B. ASSESSING – MELISSA LANE will not be in office July 10-12 due to training

Delivered assessing report

July BOR meeting set for July 18 – 1 PM

Delivered copy of new contract and copy of business insurance for clerks file

C. DPW – Paul Winbigler delivered report

D. COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DON VRABLIC presented the commissioner report

E. CEMETERY SEXTON – GEORGE BAKER – nothing to report on cemeteries

Tomorrow the rock will be moved

II. CORRESPONDENCE – Clerk delivered a correspondence about a notice of meeting regarding hearings for

MI Gas, Auditors will be here 17th and 18th of July

Gemmill delivered correspondence from PAC & from Branch Co. treasure about foreclosure auction

III. ADJOURNMENT

R. Omo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was supported by L. Omo. Meeting was adjourned at 9:19 pm. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted by Robbi Omo, Ovid Township Clerk

Recorded by Deputy (Recording) Clerk, Samantha Pickering