

OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD

August 13, 2007

Regular Meeting

The Ovid Township Board met at the Township Hall on Monday, August 13, 2007. The following members were present: Sue Miller, Supervisor, Larry Omo, Trustee; Nancy Price, Treasurer; Judy Sabaitis, Clerk; and Ron Sampsel, Trustee. Also in attendance were 4 guests.

The regular meeting was called to order by Sue Miller.

The Board led the guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Ron Sampsel seconded by Larry Omo, that the agenda be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Larry Omo seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the July 8, 2007 Regular Board minutes be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

The Treasurer's report was presented including payment of bills. The Board approved the reports and placed them on file. Motion by Sue Miller seconded by Larry Omo, that the Dresser Dresser Haas & Caywood invoice for \$242.32 be approved for payment. MOTION CARRIED.

Sheriff Canon reported on the Proposed Reforms to Michigan Sentencing Laws and the impact to Branch County.

Paul Beckhusen from the Coldwater Board of Public Works reported on the upcoming Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection scheduled for Saturday, October 20th. He reviewed the 2005 HHW collection statistics and costs. The CBPU is striving to gain support and participation from all townships to expand the HHW collection to serve the entire Branch County community. Motion by Ron Sampsel seconded by Larry Omo, that Ovid Township supports and participates in the Household Hazardous Waste Collection program. MOTION CARRIED.

Paul Beckhusen reported on CBPU internet service for the Township Hall. At this time internet service requires installation of a tower. CBPU will provide a site survey and recommendations at the September meeting.

Sue Miller reported on the zoning violation for fence installation at 140 Mockingbird Lane. At the June 12th Court date it was agreed on 60 days for the property owner to take his appeal and make application to the ZBA. After the June 12th court date, Jim Mikolajczyk faxed the ZBA application to the property owner. To date, no application has been submitted. A second Court date is schedule on August 14th at 10 A.M.

Sue Miller reported on the Bappert vs. Ovid Township. On July 12th the Judge signed an order that upheld the decision rendered by Ovid Township's ZBA. Bappert has 20 days to appeal the decision. As of this date, no appeal has been made.

The Board reviewed Seaman Office Supply's proposal for an additional workstation and chair at a cost of \$1,443. The Board took no action on the proposal at this time.

Sue Miller and Ron Sampsel will attend the MTA District Meeting on September 26th at a cost of \$75 each.

Reports:

Zoning – Jim Mikolajczyk reported 11 permits written.

Assessing – Sue Miller reported that a meeting is scheduled on September 18th for the Assessors, Supervisors, Bud Norman and the Equalization Department. Sue Miller is on vacation and will be unable to attend the meeting.

BPW – No report.

County Commissioner – Mickey Rubley reported installing security cameras in the Friend of the Court hearing room. She reported on repairs for the jail including replacing the air handlers and updating the fire alarms.

Cemetery – No report.

Correspondence reviewed.

Motion made by Ron Sampsel seconded by Larry Omo, to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Sabaitis
Ovid Township Clerk