

OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD

May 11, 2009

Public Hearing

The Ovid Township Board met at the Township Hall on Monday, May 11, 2009. 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 2 guests.

Sue Miller called the public hearing to order at 7:00 PM.

The purpose of the hearing is to amend the Special Assessment District on Tompkins Drive, to review the petition, to review the estimated cost and to hear public comments.

Sue Miller reviewed the wording of the petition to amend the Special Assessment District to allow a private contractor to bid on said maintenance to maintain the asphalt. The Township will continue to authorize the Branch County Road Commission to provide snow removal, grading if necessary and repair/maintenance of asphalt surface when necessary. The estimated cost is \$35 per dwelling per year. The estimated costs includes six snow removals at \$50 each and sealing the drive on a rotating 3 to 4 year schedule at an estimated cost of \$1,800.

Mr. Winger property owner on Tompkins Drive submitted an invoice for \$1,549 that he paid last year to seal Tompkins Drive. Tompkins Drive Special Assessment District has a balance of \$4,781.95 as of April 30, 2009.

The public hearing closed at 7:08 PM.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order by Sue Miller at 7:30 PM. Also in attendance were 4 guests.

The Board led the guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Motion by Ron Sampsel seconded by Larry Omo, that the April 13, 2009 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.

The Board and Sexton, George Baker, reviewed Wayne and Kim Haylett's request to plant two dwarf flowering crab trees at the end of their cemetery lots (Lots 147 A,B,C, D and Lot 148 A,B) in the Lockwood Cemetery. The trees are expected to be 15 to 20 feet

tall with a spread of 15 to 20 feet. Several concerns and options were discussed. The Board tabled action until the July meeting.

Resolution by Larry Omo seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the Special Assessment District for Tompkins Drive is amended as presented.

Upon a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

AYE: Miller, Omo, Price, Sabaitis, Sampsel

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Sue Miller seconded by Larry Omo, to authorize payment of \$1,549 from Tompkins Drive Special Assessment account to Steve Winger for his cost to seal Tompkins Drive in 2008. MOTION CARRIED.

Judy Sabaitis reported on the May 5th school election and related cost. She reviewed the pending legislation that would allow no-reason absentee voting.

Resolution by Sue Miller seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the Branch County Road Commission's 2009 Dust Control/Gravel Stabilization Resolution is adopted as presented. The project includes 13.18 miles at a cost of \$375 for per mile for one application. The total cost is \$4,942.50.

Upon a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

AYE: Miller, Omo, Price, Sabaitis, Sampsel

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution by Larry Omo seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the Branch County Road Commission's Construction Contract Resolution to regravels Otis Road from Centennial to I-69, a distance of .5 mile with 750 yards of process gravel is adopted as presented. The total cost is \$7,500.

Upon a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

AYE: Miller, Omo, Price, Sabaitis, Sampsel

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

The Board reviewed the draft Township newsletter.

The Sheriff Department representative provided information and answered questions.

Reports:

Zoning – Jim Mikolajczyk reported 7 permits, 1 land split and 1 ZBA were issued during April.

Assessing – Sue Miller reported that everything has been submitted to the Equalization Department from the Board of Review.

BPW – No report.

County Commissioner – Don Vrablic reported on various items including Swine Flu, the number of members on the BPW and Planning Commission Boards, bridges and stimulus/grant monies.

Cemetery – George Baker reported on various items including no burials, public access repairs, Wilson Cemetery stumps and cemetery software on his laptop. Sue Miller, Larry Omo and George Baker will meet at the public access to determine repairs needed. Larry Omo will contact Terry Franks regarding the property line for Wilson Cemetery. If the stumps are on the Township's property, the Board authorized George Baker to remove the stumps and plant grass.

Ron Sampsel reported that CHC is contracting to provide a hyperbaric chamber for wound care.

Correspondence reviewed.

Motion made by Sue Miller seconded by Larry Omo, to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Sabaitis
Ovid Township Clerk