

OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD

July 12, 2010

Regular Meeting

The Ovid Township Board met at the Township Hall on Monday, July 12, 2010. 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 8 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 Ron Sampsel seconded by Nancy Price, that the June 14, 2010 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 Larry Omo seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the McKenna invoice is approved in the amount of \$204.75. MOTION CARRIED. Motion by Judy Sabaitis seconded by Nancy Price, that the township's long distance phone carrier is changed from AT&T to Verizon. MOTION CARRIED. The Board discussed investing additional monies in CDs and requested Nancy Price to provide current CD rates at the next meeting.

Public Comment:

A Branch County Sheriff Department representative discussed the Marine Patrol and various related issues.

Theresa Collins and Mr. Lewis from Jo Jo Lane discussed with the Board various items related to a special assessment petition.

The Board reviewed the junk complaint on Quimby Road. John Merriman addressed the Board on the clean-up of his property after a 30 day extension was granted at the May Board meeting. The Board informed Mr. Merriman that his property was brought into compliancy with the Junk Ordinance.

Sue Miller updated the Board on the junk violation at 281 Quimby Road. She stated numerous items were buried on the property and that it does look better. Since the last meeting a trailer loaded with items is now parked on the property. Three junk violation notices were sent to Mr. Coats. Since the notices were not signed by the property owner, all three notices were returned to Sue Miller. She will contact Mr. Coats again and report back to the Board next month.

Motion by Larry Omo seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the quote from MGA for signage at the three cemeteries for a cost of \$1,887 be approved if the quote includes three sets of posts for the three signs. MOTION CARRIED.

The Board reviewed the Planning Commission's recommendation and McKenna's information packet regarding a Wireless Contract and Revised Fee Schedules. Motion by Sue Miller seconded by Larry Omo, that the Township enters into an agreement with the Center for Municipal Solutions in association with McKenna Associates as proposed. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Sue Miller seconded by Larry Omo, to amend our plan review fee schedule to provide a fee and escrow to cover the municipality's cost for wireless facility plan reviews as follows:

A. New Tower:

- Wireless consultant fees: Initial escrow of \$8,500¹
- Municipal application fee: \$5,000

B. Collocation or Modification:

- Wireless consultant fees: Initial escrow of \$8,500¹
- Municipal application fee: \$2,500

¹ Wireless consultant fees shall be withdrawn from the escrow at the hourly rate of \$200/hour. The applicant shall replenish the escrow if the balance is less than \$2,500.

Unused escrow funds shall be returned to applicant.

MOTION CARRIED.

The 2010 Tax Rate Request – L4029 Millage Request Report to County Board of Commissioners was approved and signed by Clerk and Supervisor. The 2010 tax rate millage for the township is .7502.

Public Comment:

Sue Miller reported that a meeting was held on June 23rd to consider a Marble Lake sewer project.

Reports:

Zoning – Jim Mikolajczyk reported seven permits and one ZBA were issued in June.

Assessing – Sue Miller reported that July Board of Review is scheduled on Tuesday July 20th at 1 P.M.

B.P.W. – No report.

County Commissioner – Commissioner Vrablic reviewed the Commissioner's Monthly Top Five Report.

Cemetery – George Baker discussed signage and the status of the Rose Lake public access.

Correspondence reviewed.

Motion made by Larry Omo seconded by Nancy Price, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted:

Judy Sabaitis
Ovid Township Clerk