

## OID TOWNSHIP BOARD

February 13, 2012

### Regular Meeting

The Ovid Township Board met at the Township Hall on Monday, February 13, 2012. 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 Nancy Price, that the agenda be approved as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Ron Sampsel seconded by Larry Omo, that the January 9, 2012 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 Ron Sampsel seconded by Nancy Price, to amend the 2011-2012 budget as follows:

- Zoning
  - Professional Fees – Acct #410800      Decrease budget      \$3,000      from \$6,000 to \$3,000
  - Transportation – Acct #410860      Decrease budget      \$1,000      from \$2,500 to \$1,500
  - Planning Salaries Acct #410702      Decrease budget      \$2,000      From \$7,000 to \$5,000
  - Zoning Bd of Appeals Acct #410705      Decrease budget      \$1,000      from \$2,500 to \$1,500
  - Contractual Clerical Acct #410710      Decrease budget      \$1,000      from \$1,500 to \$500
  
- Township Board
  - Insurance & Bond – Acct #101801      Decrease budget      \$3,400      from \$8,000 to \$4,600
  - Capital Outlay – Acct #101970      Decrease budget      \$5,000      from \$10,000 to \$5,000
  - Total Decrease**           **\$16,400**
  
- Public Works
  - Br Co Road Commission- Acct #440958      Increase budget      \$13,200      from \$75,000 to \$88,200
  - Drains-At-Large – Acct #440961      Increase budget      \$ 3,200      from \$3,700 to \$6,900
  - Total Increase**           **\$16,400**

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Larry Omo seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the Monarch CD's totaling \$80,000 (\$25,000 CD maturing February 16, 2012, the \$30,000 CD maturing March 3, 2012 and the \$25,000 CD maturing March 3, 2012) be reinvested at Allegis Credit Union for 36 months at 1.15 APY. MOTION CARRIED,

Motion by Larry Omo seconded by Sue Miller, that \$20,000 from the General Fund Cash Account is added to the \$80,000 CD's to make a total investment of \$100,000 in a 36-month CD with Allegis Credit Union at 1.15% APY. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment:

- State Police Trooper Jereme Miller introduced himself and explained his duties as the Community Service Trooper.
- Branch County Sheriff Deputy John Pollack presented statistics for the month, discussed jail population, and meth statistics.
- Sue Miller shared that the Department of Transportation provided a supply of SW Michigan Road and Trail Bike Guides.

The Board reviewed the Lakeland Fire Department Agreement and a certified copy of proof of liability insurance listing Ovid Township on their policy. Motion by Larry Omo seconded by Ron Sampsel, that the Township enters into a three-year contract with the Lakeland Fire Department. The contract is effective until April 1, 2014. MOTION CARRIED.

Sue Miller reminded the Board of the 2012-2013 Budget Workshop scheduled on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 P.M.

The Board discussed the annual Branch County Road Commission meeting held on February 9, 2012. Items discussed at the meeting included the motor vehicle fund, sealcoating costs, dust control and the overage on the Sanford Road project. The Road Commission agreed that there would be no additional costs to Ovid Township or Lockwood Church for the overage on the Sanford Road project.

The Board reviewed the request to split a lot in a platted subdivision – Lot 1 of Block 13 on Iyopawa Island. After a lengthy discussion, the Board agreed that C. Lillis, attorney for Robert and Barbara Schmidt, is informed that the lot split be needs to be submitted to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion by Sue Miller seconded by Nancy Price, that Cheryl Downs is reappointed to the Planning Commission for a three-year term effective February 1, 2012 through January 31, 2015. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Sue Miller seconded by Nancy Price, that Don Vrablic is reappointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a two-year term effective February 1, 2012 through January 31, 2014. MOTION CARRIED.

The Public Hearing for the proposed 2012-2013 Budget is scheduled on Monday March 12, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. with the regular Board Meeting to begin immediately following the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Bob Massey presented an Abandonment Petition to close Tallahassee Road on his property. Sue Miller will follow-up on the past practice of closing a road.

Reports:

Zoning – Russ Jennings reported no permits were issued in January and one ZBA is scheduled for February.

Assessing – Sue Miller stated that a Board of Review training class is scheduled on February 23<sup>rd</sup> in Hillsdale. Jim Miko and Gregg Gemmill plan to attend the session.

B.P.W. – No report.

County Commissioner – Commissioner Vrablic reviewed the Commissioner's Monthly Report including the recognition of long-term county employees, MDOT sidewalk replacement on the west side of the Court

House, furlough days for 2012 and an increase in meth usage.

Cemetery – No report.

Andy AcMoody presented the 2011 Annual Report for the Planning Commission. The Board accepted the report and placed it on file.

Correspondence reviewed and placed on file including Farmland Development Rights Agreements for Merle and Elizabeth Donbrock and Gary and Pamela Porter.

Motion made by Nancy Price seconded by Larry Omo, to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted:

Judy Sabaitis  
Ovid Township Clerk