



Ovid Township Hall
(Branch County, Michigan)
March 17th, 2020, 6:30PM
Public Hearing - Budget
Minutes

Greg Gemmill called meeting to order at 6:32pm and led the attendees in the pledge to the flag.

Members present: Greg Gemmill, Supervisor; Shelly AcMoody, Treasurer; Jim Snivley, Trustee; Larry Omo, Trustee; Robbi Omo, Clerk.

Member absent: None

Others present: Patricia Griffin

Approval of agenda – Motion to approve the agenda made by Jim Snivley, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED

1. NEW BUSINESS – No new business
2. READING OF THE 2020 – 2021 BUDGET – Greg Gemmill presented the proposed budget for 2020-2021
3. PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment
4. ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING -Larry Omo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40PM, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED

Ovid Township Hall
(Branch County, Michigan)
March 17th, 2020 – Directly following the Public Hearing
Regular Board Meeting
Minutes

Greg Gemmill called meeting to order at 6:45 pm, directly following the Public Hearing.

Members present: Greg Gemmill, Supervisor; Shelly AcMoody, Treasurer; Jim Snivley, Trustee; Larry Omo, Trustee; Robbi Omo, Clerk.

Members absent: None

Others present: One guest, Patricia Griffin

Approval of agenda – Robbi Omo requested the addition of K. Covid 19 Discussion. Shelly AcMoody made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of K., supported by Robbi Omo. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of minutes from February 10, 2020 regular board meeting. Larry Omo made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurers Report – Robbi Omo informed the board that there was an additional check issued for \$440.00 to ElectionSource for services received for the Presidential Primary. Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report with additional check by Greg Gemmill, supported by Larry Omo. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

Patricia Griffin, Ovid Township resident, inquired about the board’s help in addressing her neighbor’s dogs. She stated that her neighbor has seven dogs, they are mean-natured, and she would like to know if it’s possible to limit the number of dogs that lake property homes are allowed to have. She spoke with the dog warden who informed her that they enforce township laws so it’s based on the township’s ordinance. Greg Gemmill explained that the township doesn’t currently have an ordinance in regard to dogs, and limiting the numbers. Greg stated that he will contact the Humane Society for information and assistance, but the board does not foresee the development of a dog ordinance since members discussed the fact that it sounds more like an issue of how the dogs are trained, or not trained, than the number of dogs.

1. OLD BUSINESS - None

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. BUDGET AMENDMENTS – The Clerk reviewed the final proposed budget amendments for the fiscal year ending 3/31/2020. Larry Omo made a motion to approve the amendments as submitted, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED
- b. BANKING RESOLUTION – 2020-3-17A, SMB&T Chemical Bank, PNC, Sturgis Bank, Flagstar Bank, Huntington Bank, Marshall Community Credit Union, and Hoor Credit union will be utilized as needed by the Ovid Township Board.

- i. Resolution submitted by Greg Gemmill, supported by Larry Omo
 - ii. By roll call vote:
 - 1. Jim Snivley - Yes
 - 2. Robbi Omo - Yes
 - 3. Larry Omo - Yes
 - 4. Shelly AcMoody - Yes
 - 5. Greg Gemmill – Yes
 - iii. RESOLUTION CARRIED
- c. MEETING TIME & DATE RESOLUTION – 2020-3-17B, the regular time & day for the monthly board meeting be set as the second Monday of each month, at 7:00PM or immediately following a prior scheduled public hearing at the Ovid Township Hall located at 381 S. Angola Rd, Coldwater, MI 49036.
 - i. Resolution submitted by Greg Gemmill, supported by Jim Snivley
 - ii. By roll call vote
 - 1. Shelly AcMoody - Yes
 - 2. Larry Omo -Yes
 - 3. Robbi Omo - Yes
 - 4. Jim Snivley - Yes
 - 5. Greg Gemmill – Yes
 - iii. RESOLUTION CARRIED
- d. MILEAGE RESOLUTION – 2020-3-17C, the mileage rate of \$0.575 per mile has been adopted by Ovid Township for the 2020 – 2021 fiscal year.
 - i. Resolution submitted by Greg Gemmill supported by Larry Omo
 - ii. By roll call vote
 - 1. Robbi Omo - Yes
 - 2. Shelly AcMoody - Yes
 - 3. Greg Gemmill - Yes
 - 4. Larry Omo - Yes
 - 5. Jim Snivley – Yes
 - iii. RESOLUTION CARRIED
- e. 2020/2021 TOWNSHIP BUDGET RESOLUTION - 2020-3-17D, to adopt the proposed township budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
 - i. Resolution submitted by Greg Gemmill, supported by Shelly AcMoody
 - ii. By roll call vote
 - 1. Greg Gemmill - Yes
 - 2. Larry Omo - Yes
 - 3. Shelly AcMoody - Yes
 - 4. Jim Snivley - Yes
 - 5. Robbi Omo – Yes
 - iii. RESOLUTION CARRIED
- f. 2020 COMPENSATION TABLE UPDATE – Greg Gemmill made a motion to approve the compensation table with corrections: spelling of Snivley, and change the rounding format on mileage from \$.58 to .575, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED
- g. CBPU 2020 HAZARDOUS WASTE PARTICIPATION – to take place Saturday, September 26th at the Branch County Fairgrounds. Robbi Omo made a motion to participate in the program in 2020, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED
- h. ADT FIRE SYSTEM PROPOSAL – Robbi Omo made a motion to move forward with leasing the fire system through ADT, supported by Shelly AcMoody. MOTION CARRIED
- i. JUNK VIOLATIONS – Greg Gemmill presented the junk violations as follows:

- i. 588 Miller Rd. – Greg recommended that we table until next month’s meeting.
 - ii. 552 Warren Rd –Greg Gemmill recommended sending a letter of violation to the resident. Robbi Omo made a motion to accept the recommendation as presented, supported by Larry Omo. MOTION CARRIED.
 - iii. 548 Sassafras Lane – Greg Gemmill recommended sending a letter of violation to the resident. Larry Omo made a motion to accept the recommendation as presented, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED.
 - iv. 673 Jo Jo Lane – Greg has informed the board that the adult children (parent owns the property) are asking for a couple of months to clean up the property, which belongs to their father who is in end-of-life care. Larry Omo made a motion to allow 60 days to clean up the property, supported by Robbi Omo. MOTION CARRIED.
- j. ROAD COMMISSION REPORT & SEAL COAT RESOLUTION 2020-3-17E, the work will involve Blackberry Dr., West Channel Dr., Grass Lake Rd., Paradine Rd., Behnke Rd., at a cost of \$63,853.82 and a discount of \$12,770.76 for a balance of \$51,083.06.
- i. Resolution submitted by Greg Gemmill, supported by Jim Snivley
 - 1. Greg Gemmill - Yes
 - 2. Jim Snivley - Yes
 - 3. Robbi Omo - Yes
 - 4. Larry Omo - Yes
 - 5. Shelly AcMoody - Yes
- k. COVID 19 DISCUSSION – Robbi Omo recommended that Ovid Township consider the safety of our elderly population and close our offices to the public in accordance with recommendations from the CDC, until further notice. Greg Gemmill made a motion to accept the recommendation, supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED

Reports:

- 1. Sheriff – No report
- 2. Assessing – Greg Gemmill read the assessing report including information regarding last week’s board of review
- 3. Cemetery Sexton – No report
- 4. County Commissioner – No report
- 5. DPW – No report – No report
- 6. Lakeland Fire Dept. – No report
- 7. Zoning Administrator – No report

Public Comment (3-minute limit)

Patricia Griffin asked where they were going to re-route residents when they work on bridge located on S. Angola Rd and Greg Gemmill explained how the BCRC intends to address the traffic.

Shelly AcMoody informed the board that the MTA sent her a survey regarding Veteran’s exemptions. MTA has asked that a representative present the information if requested, which Shelly volunteered to do.

Correspondence

Robbi Omo presented three correspondences. Greg Gemmill also presented three correspondences.

Motion to Adjourn by Larry Omo, supported by Robbi Omo. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Robbi Omo, Clerk