



Ovid Township Hall
Branch County, Michigan
December 12, 2022
Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Jeff O'Dell called meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the attendees in the Pledge to the Flag.

Members present: Jeff O'Dell, Supervisor; Shelly AcMoody, Treasurer; Amy Havasy, Clerk; Jim Snivley, Trustee; Steve Norton, Trustee

Member(s) absent: None

Others present: 40 others

Approval of agenda – Shelly AcMoody made a motion to approve the agenda, omitting New Business B. Summer/Winter Tax Account, and adding D. Resolution 2022-12-12A. Supported by Amy Havasy.
MOTION CARRIED

Approval of minutes from the November 14, 2022, Regular Board Meeting – Jim Snivley made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 14, 2022, Regular Board Meeting. Supported by Jeff O'Dell.
MOTION CARRIED

Treasurers Report – Amy Havasy made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Supported by Steve Norton. By roll-call vote: Amy Havasy – yes, Jim Snivley – yes, Shelly AcMoody – yes, Jeff O'Dell – yes, Steve Norton – yes. PASSED

OLD BUSINESS

A. APEX XOLAR/COLDWATER RIVER SPECIAL USE PERMIT

The Supervisor opened the floor for questions from Haylett, Harris and Littley/Nowicki regarding solar. Their concerns/questions were addressed by the Board, the Zoning Administrator, and the Planning Commission Chair. Jeff O'Dell made a motion to table further discussion regarding the special use permit until the January 2023 Board meeting, as the resolution language has not been finalized. Steve Norton supported. MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

A. BOARD OF REVIEW

Jeff O'Dell informed the Board of the following: a resignation letter was received from Tom Rosewarne – resigned as of November 16, 2022. Rita Klavinski will also be resigning in February 2023, when her term expires. Jeff O'Dell then appointed the following persons to Board of Review for the 2023-2024 term: Larry Weikart, Janice Harper, Leslie Helsen and Nancy Hutchins (alt). Their training was completed December 2022. Jeff O'Dell made a motion to accept the resignations as stated and accept the new appointments. Jim Snivley supported. By roll-call vote: Jeff O'Dell – yes, Jim Snivley – yes, Steve Norton – yes, Shelly AcMoody – yes, Amy Havasy – yes. PASSED

~~B. SUMMER/WINTER TAX ACCOUNT~~

C. SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR 597 S ANGOLA RD – AMENDMENT

Matt Ashenfelter informed the Board that a business owner applied for a Class C State of Michigan license, and that the owners special use permit was approved by the Planning Commission with the following conditions: the property is to be a used car lot only, no repairs, or sales of any other nature can occur. Jeff O'Dell made a motion to table the matter until the January 9, 2023, meeting as Matt Ashenfelter needed to investigate a concern brought in front of the Board by a Township resident. Amy Havasy supported. MOTION CARRIED

D. RESOLUTION 2022-12-12A

Steve Norton made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-12-12A as presented. Shelly AcMoody supported. By roll-call vote: Shelly AcMoody – yes, Jeff O'Dell – yes, Jim Snivley – yes, Steve Norton – yes, Amy Havasy – yes. PASSED

Reports:

1. Sheriff – No report
2. Assessing – Melissa Lane presented the Assessor's report
3. Cemetery Sexton – ~~Amy Havasy presented the Sexton's report~~ No report
4. County Commissioner – ~~Amy Havasy presented the Commissioner's report~~ No report
5. DPW – No report
6. Lakeland Fire Dept. – No report
7. Marihuana Committee – No report
8. Zoning Administrator – ~~Amy Havasy~~ Matt Ashenfelter presented the Zoning report

Public Comment (3-minute limit)

Public comment began at 8:08 PM. Comments received from 5 person(s). Ended at 8:33 PM.

Chad Heuer addressed the Board with a concern regarding the used car sale lot. Matt Ashenfelter is looking in to.

Harry Dermanelian approached the Board with a concern about his property. Matt Ashenfelter is following up on the issue.

Doug and Judy Harris, Colton Haylett, Laura Johns, James and Margaret Haylett, Steve Littlely, and Linda McDonald all expressed concerns regarding solar set-backs, water, pollutants, heat, inverters, drainage and taxes. Each of these were addressed by the Board, Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission chair and Apex representatives.

Correspondence:

Jeff O'Dell stated that he had 0 correspondence.

Amy Havasy stated that she had 0 correspondence.

Shelly AcMoody stated that she had 1 correspondence.

Motion to Adjourn made by Shelly AcMoody. Supported by Jim Snivley. MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Havasy, Clerk