

OAKFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
August 8, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Oakfield Township Board of Trustees held August 8, 2017 at 10300 14 Mile Road, Rockford, MI., was called to order at 7:00 PM

Present were: Greg Dean, Larry Parker, Bryan Porter, Pamela Riker, Ken Rittersdorf, Chad Sowerby and Linda VanHouten

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes for July 11, 2017 offered by Sowerby second by Parker approved per a roll call vote 7-0

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion to approve the report of fund balances for July as presented offered by Porter second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0

Motion to transfer funds from the Capital Fund to the General Fund - \$48,107.10 – Roads, offered by Sowerby second by Rittersdorf approved per a roll call vote 7-0

Motion to approve General Fund Expenditures for the month of July in the amount of \$82,509.30 offered by Porter second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0

Motion to approve Sewer Fund expenditures for the month of July 2017 in the amount of \$7,669.72 offered by Sowerby second by Parker approved per a roll call vote 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire Department:

- 26 runs for the month of July
- Monthly Training: Fit Testing, PPE, Small Engines, Patient Assessment.
- Pump testing is complete, both engines have passed.
- Tender update: Tender is in the shop having the pump installed, should be ready in a week or two.

PCI Report: Report on file

Planning Commission: No meeting last month. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 19, 7 pm

Zoning Board of Appeals: No meeting last month.

Zoning Administrator: Report on file

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

- **Charter Cable:** Channel lineup changes, on file.
- **Comcast Cable:** Price adjustments, on file.
- **Mika Meyers:** Monthly bulletin received. Reminder to beware of discussing or deciding issues of public policy over email.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Two residents voiced concern over noise levels at their homes near the Honor Camp in Spencer Twp. Dean suggested they get a petition and have neighbors sign and present it to Larry Stelma (Kent County Sheriff) and the Spencer Twp. Board. Dean offered to go to the next Spencer Twp. Board meeting with them. He also suggested that they contact their State Representative.

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Three residents were in attendance and had questions about the Scram Lake Sewer bill that was increased from \$110 per quarter to \$130 per quarter. Discussion about current repairs, costs and the possibility of reinstating a sewer board.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Chris Becker Prosecuting Attorney for Kent County:** Discussion about last month's presentation from Chris Becker on the medical marijuana legislation. Dean asked what the board wanted to do. Discussion followed.
Motion to do nothing and leave it as it is and not to have an ordinance offered by Rittersdorf second by Parker approved per a roll call vote 7-0
- **Summons and Complaint – Abandonment of Roads:** Complete
- **Sale of Property to George Gonzales:** Complete

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Fire Auxiliary – New Appointment:** Amy Delp had to step down. Christine Ross would like to serve.
Motion to approve Christine Ross to the Fire Auxiliary with term expiring January 12, 2020 offered by VanHouten second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0
- **63rd District Court:** Fire Chief Peterson received a letter from Judge Sara Smolenski stating that the township could go after \$332 in restitution from a defendant. Discussion. Dean recommended that we not pursue this since we would probably have a lot more in attorney fees.
- **Resolution # 2017-05 – Hazard Mitigation Plan:**
Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-05 offered by Dean second by Porter approved per a roll call vote 7-0
- **Audit for Oakfield Township:** Received final report from auditors. Everything is good and complete.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None

BOARD COMMENTS:

Dean read a letter that was received from a Scram Lake resident that has been paying for 2 sewer billings per quarter. When he purchased the residence it was used as two separate residences. Since he has purchased it he is only using as one residence. He would like to be billed for just one. Discussion.
Motion to reduce bill from two to one sewer billings for the Richard Landis property located at 10408 Swem St., with the exception if it is ever rented out it will go back to two billings offered by Dean second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0

Dean presented a brochure we received regarding a conference on Mackinac Island in September for Planning Commission. Discussion about costs and agenda.

Motion to not extend funds offered by Dean second by Rittersdorf approved per a voice vote 7-0

Dean mentioned that Lapplely has received their first coat of pavement. Second coat will be in 2 weeks.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a voice call vote.

Linda L. VanHouten
Oakfield Township Clerk