

OAKFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
January 8, 2013

CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Oakfield Township Board of Trustees held January 8, 2013 at 10300 14 Mile Road, Rockford, MI., was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Present were: Greg Dean, Roger Mason, Brooke Mauric, Larry Parker, Bryan Porter, Chad Sowerby and Ken Rittersdorf

Absent:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes for December 11, 2012 as written offered by Rittersdorf second by Parker approved per a roll call vote 7-0

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

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

Motion to approve General Fund expenditures for the month of January 2013 in the amount of \$31,988.45 offered by Porter second by Sowerby was approved per a roll call vote 7-0

Motion to approve Sewer Fund expenditures for the month of January 2013 in the amount of \$14,102.30 offered by Rittersdorf second by Sowerby was approved per a roll call vote 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire Department:

- 22 runs for December
- 5 sets of turnout gear have been ordered, a new grass rig radio, and a power washer
- Riker was reminded to bill for all road accidents
- Report on file

PCI Report: report on file

Planning Commission: No meeting

Motion to cancel January Planning Commission meeting offered by Dean second by Mason approved per a voice vote

Board of Zoning Appeals: No meeting

Zoning Administrator: No report

CORRESPONDENCE:

- **Comcast Cable- 2 letters-** See Dean
- **Charter Cable-** See Dean
- **Kent County Road Commission-** Letter containing snowplow schedule; see Dean if interested in reviewing letter
- **Kent County Community Development-** Township still has money available from past years; Dean asked the board if they wanted to pass on funds this year again due to lack of community interest? Board will discuss again at a future meeting
- **Siegfried Crandall-** will have hospitality suite at Detroit Expo
- **Capital Currents-** Dean reviewed highlights from letter including changes in postings for meetings and tax collection

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: What can the township do to help citizens become aware of Community Development program? Not sure, it is on website and has been in prior issues of Township Newsletters. Citizens in the past that have thought about loan have decided against it because it eventually gets paid back out of the estate. The qualifications for the program are based on income. Citizen is interested in program and heard about it from a friend.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Solid Waste Management Plan-** Dean received a phone call from the county wondering why Oakfield Township did not support plan; Dean explained to them why he voted no
- **Township Hall new addition-** Dean met with an architect and will meet with another one later this week to get quotes on prints. Dean learned that because of current commercial energy codes the new addition may not be able to be built as a pole building.

NEW BUSINESS:

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- **Appoint Board of Review members-** Current members would like to be reappointed to board; Larry Caverley, Charles Stephens, and Wayne Ramsdell

Motion to reappoint current Board of Review members as listed offered by Parker second by Sowerby approved per roll call vote 7-0

- **Revenue Sharing-** amount received this quarter was \$71,042.00
- **Building Permits 2012-** Dean has totals list available to those interested
- **Close the books March 19, 2013**

Motion to close the books March 19, 2013 offered by Dean second by Parker approved by roll call vote 7-0

- **Budget Hearing March 30, 2013 -9:30am- Budget approval meeting March 30, 2013- 10:00am-** Sowerby stated he may be out of town during this meeting

Motion to schedule Budget Hearing March 30, 2013 at 9:30am and Budget approval meeting March 30, 2013 at 10:00am offered by Dean Second by Sowerby approved per roll call vote 7-0

- **Budget Workshop January 29, 2013 at 7:30pm**

Motion to schedule Budget Workshop January 29, 2013 at 7:30pm offered by Dean second by Parker approved per roll call vote 7-0

- **Oakfield Township's County Commissioner-** Gary Rolls has not attended any meetings since his arrest. Dean and other local Supervisors (Vergennes, Grattan, and Cannon) are concerned we are not being properly represented during County Commission meetings. Dean explained that the concern is not because he was arrested. Dean and others are looking to draw up a letter warning Rolls that if he continues to miss meetings they will pursue his resignation.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Riker asked Dean, What does a County Commissioner do? Dean responded they run the county; they are in charge of managing several County departments including Parks, Health, and Airport etc.

BOARD COMMENTS: Sowerby asked Dean about progress on barn being built on 14 mile; Dean said project is still moving forward and lack of funds may be why progress has slowed.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm offered by Sowerby second by Parker approved per a voice vote.

Brooke V. Mauric
Oakfield Township Clerk