

OAKFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
August 10, 2021

2021-11

CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Oakfield Township Board of Trustees held August 10, 2021 at 7:00p.m. with all board members present in Oakfield Township.

Present were: Greg Dean, Chad Sowerby, Betsy Koett, Ken Rittersdorf, Pamela Riker, Sue Trainer & Bryan Porter

Absent:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes for July 13, 2021 offered by Porter second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0,

Motion to approve special board meeting minutes for July 26, 2021 offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 6-1 (Koett abstained),

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion to approve Treasury Report for July 2021 offered by Sowerby second by Porter approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve amending budget State Right of Way in the amount of +1,473.11 offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0,

Motion to approve transfer of funds from Capital to General Fund- in the amount of \$143,561.74 offered by Sowerby second by Porter approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve General Fund expenditures for the month of July 2021 in the amount of \$206,103.00 offered by Porter second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve Scram Lake expenditures for the month of July 2021 in the amount of \$191.28 offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire Department:

- July had 30 calls-24 medical, 1 P.I. accident, 1 P.D. accident, 1 C.O. alarm, 1 wire call, 1 illegal burning & 1 Assist Grattan. Year to date numbers up to 219. Going to break some records this year.

Monthly Training – Emergency Driving/Skill Test.

- **From the Chief-We** had 3 firefighters receive the Life Saving Award at their Annual Picnic. Terry Scott, Bryan Desotell and Caleb Plafkin all received the award from KCEMS. They ran a call back in February. A CPR call, through their work they were able to revive the gentleman and he is still alive today.

PCI Report: 10 building permits, 11 electrical, 4 mechanical, 3 plumbing, 1 LP & 1 fireplace. Total charges \$19,938, total due \$17,944.20, total evaluation of projects \$3,121,497.05.

Planning Commission: Approved Ron Duberville's rezone. They will meet this month discussing an ordinance amendment. Discovered the accessory buildings part of ordinance was written wrong. There was no way you could abide by it They will also be discussing solar farms and wind turbines and their thoughts on those. Plus they have a site plan review for Impact Sports. They have taken on a line of electric cars to sell.

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Zoning Board of Appeals: No July meeting

Zoning Administration: 10 tickets issued. PCI will be taking those into court. We are trying to clean up the Township

CORRESPONDENCE Received:

- Blake Zylstra-He had a ton of pallets, it looked like he was running some kind of business. He got rid of the pallets along with a letter of apology.

CORRESPONDENCE SENT:

- None

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

- Fire Chief sent a bill out to Mr. Rudd, the property owner on Podunk and 14 Mile. Came in to the Township office on August 9 and paid the bill and apologized for his kids burning the rubber in a barrel causing black smoke.

PUBLIC HEARING for the WOODBECK CHAIN of LAKES WEED CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT:

- Holding a hearing to adopt Resolution #2 to require and prepare a special assessment roll for the District, present the roll to the Township Board, file the roll with the Township Clerk. After the roll is filed the Township Board will be required to adopt Resolution #3 scheduling a public hearing for September. The resolution Special Assessment Resolution #2 will #2021-8-10. The resolution is the determination to make public improvements, approve plans and estimated cost for final determination for the Special Assessment District preparation of the assessment roll. Hearing in September will be for anyone who wants to come in and dispute the information on the roll. We already know of one property that might not be on it. No further public comments so public hearing was concluded.

OLD BUSINESS:

- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)-Paperwork is filed and sent in. Bank account is open waiting for money to be deposited.
- Resolution #2 & 3 for Woodbeck S.A.D.-Resolution #2 to set the District for a period of 5 years for the improvements of weed control on the Woodbeck Chain of Lakes Resolution #2021-8-10.

Motion to approve this resolution offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Resolution #3-Clerk has roll, need to make change to the one lot. #2012-8-10-1. Determination to make public improvement, approval of plans, estimated cost, final determination of special assessment and preparation of the assessment roll. Sets a public hearing for September 14, 2021 on the assessment roll.

Motion to approve this resolution offered by Porter second by Rittersdorf approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Rezone at 11600 Lincoln Lake Road & the Rezone 10611 14 Mile Road- Both done and published. Probably will have a site plan review for Lincoln Lake Road for the September meeting..

NEW BUSINESS:

- Transfer of funds from the County Pool to the bank. Koett stated that the Township could make about 3 times more interest at the bank compared to leaving it with the County Pool. Plus the County doesn't offer any FDIC insurance and the bank currently offers a limited amount. Also, when we try to

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balance our books our reports from the County are 2 months behind and we will be able to transfer money in a day or two rather than a week or so.

- Motion to approve to move the money from the County Pool to the bank offered by Koett second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.
- Close the Tax Withholding Account-Auditor recommended that we get rid of this account. Money would just go into the General Fund account.

Motion to approve closing the Tax Withholding Account offered by Koeett second by Dean approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Election Report-Trainer reported that turnout was very low. Absentee ballots were 804 sent out, 654 returned. 81.3%. In person only between 200-300 people.
- Oakfield Township Federal Procurement Conflict of Interest Policy-Needed to pass this to be able to receive our COVID Relief money.

Motion to approve signing this document offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Oakfield Cemetery-Car plowed into the cemetery on August 5, 2021. Occurred on Monday night, August 2,2021.Took out the sign and about 9 headstones. Sheriff came out took pictures and filed report. Township posted a \$1000.00 reward. A person turned themselves in to the Sheriff's Department. We are waiting to hear from the Sheriff's department on charges. Township probably going to line the cemetery with large rocks from the County to protect the headstones and the cemetery.
- Trailer Park on Wabasis Lake-Lakeside Trailer Park septic system-Supposedly they've been working on it. Health Department Prosecuting Attorney forgot about it. Dean has requested from the County that if the system doesn't get finished and get licensed that they close the park.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Porter asked Koett what was discussed at the Broadband Meeting that she attended. County suggested that Townships pool their money and use the interest of from it to purchase ore coverage. There were no providers there so it was just a meeting to discuss the issue. Nothing concrete established.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm offered by Sowerby second by Porter approved per a voice vote 7-0..

Susan Trainer
Oakfield Township Clerk