

OAKFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
July 12, 2022

2022-12

CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Oakfield Township Board of Trustees held July 12, 2022 at 7:00p.m. with all board members present in Oakfield Township.

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

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes for June 14, 2022 offered by Rittersdorf second by Koett approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve Election Commission meeting minutes for July 5, 2022 with Clerk's name correction offered by Koett second by Dean approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion to approve Treasury Report for June 2022 offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve the transfer of fund Fire Millage to General Fund in the amount of \$1,045.00 for building maintenance offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve the transfer of fund Fire Millage to General Fund in the amount of \$5,918.50 for wages offered by Riker second by Koett approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve General Fund Expenditures for the month of June 2022 in the amount of \$59,263.02 offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve Scram Lake expenditures for the month of June 2022 in the amount of \$3,121.27 offered by Porter second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire Department:

- June calls. Had 33 calls-16 medical, 3 P.I. Accidents, 1 P.D. Accidents, 3 structure fire, 1 fire alarm, 1 C.O. alarms, 3 wire calls, 2 Illegal burning, 1 vehicle fire, 1 odor investigation 1 Assist Spencer.
- Monthly Training-Fire investigation-we were able to use 2 fresh house fires for a very good investigation class. June 16 fire-call came in at about 5:00am. Got to first house and found a second house on fire as well. Found a gas leak. Evacuated Lapple to Wabasis residents. Cleared units at about 2:30pm. Fire Chief produced an invoice that he sent to Consumers power for township expenses for the June 16 fires.

From the Chief:

- Friday, July 8 National Hose Testing came and tested houses. 6 Failed. May need new hoses next year.
- Fire Chief requested permission to promote Mike Conley to lieutenant.

Motion to approve promoting Mike Conley to lieutenant offered by Sowerby second by Rittersdorf approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

PCI Report: 8 building permits, 18 electrical, 15 mechanical & 7 plumbing. Total charges \$14,852.70, total due \$16,503.00, total evaluation of projects \$2,348,695.00.

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Planning Commission:

- Last month's meeting-Approved the Wind & Solar Ordinance to be reviewed by the Board.
- Meeting on Tuesday, July 19,2022-Automation Ideas LLC. Porter stated that they submitted the wrong blueprints so reviewing them was delayed till the next meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2022.

Zoning Board of Appeals:

- No meeting in June

Zoning Administration:

- Issued a couple more tickets..

CORRESPONDENCE Received:

- MTA-Offering a couple of classes on Planning and Zoning.

Motion to approve paying for anyone wanting to go to these classes offered by Dean second by Porter approved per a voice vote 7-0.

- Consumers Energy-Dean received a letter from them requesting copies of the Wind and Solar Ordinance so the Secretary/Receptionist emailed it to them.
- Kent County Animal Control- has been turned over to Kent County Sheriff's Department. Kent County Health Department will no longer run it.

CORRESPONDENCE Sent:

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- Oakfield vs. Cremeans-Still waiting on a clean-up crew. Haven't been able to find anyone to hire yet.
- Oakfield vs. Ochodinicky-Still waiting on a clean-up crew for here, too.
- Department of Treasury-Our AMAR Review is done and we passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Revenue Sharing-\$106,905.00 last month's check.
- ARPA Funds-Received second check for \$336,227.53 and it was deposited on June 30th.
- Solar Ordinance-Citizen-Armand Loiselle was in attendance to express his concern regarding the amount of awareness that the Township made prior to this meeting informing the public that the Board was going to review this ordinance. He thought that the Township should have sent out a letter to every citizen in the Township. The Board stated that a notice was published in the Daily News, on the Township website, on the door of the Township offices and by word of mouth. A Public Hearing meeting was held and only a handful of citizens showed up and it was published to the public as well. Another citizen Patty Turnbull was also in attendance because she wanted to hear what the ordinance was about.

Motion to approve Solar Ordinance #71222 of the Township of Oakfield offered by Sowerby second by Porter approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Wind Ordinance-

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Motion to approve Wind Ordinance #71222A of the Township of Oakfield offered by Sowerby second by Porter approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Farmland Preservation Application: Township received a Farmland Preservation Application #2022-02.

Motion to approve the submission of this application offered by Sowerby second by Koett approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

- None

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Porter brought up the possibility of installing a yard light of some sort in the White Swan Cemetery again. Dean is getting a quote for this. People are still lurking around in the cemetery at night..

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm offered by Sowerby second by Porter approved per a voice vote 7-0.

Susan Trainer
Oakfield Township Clerk