



OID TOWNSHIP

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TRUSTEES: Patricia Hibbard
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PROPOSED MINUTES OF OVID TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING - JULY 13, 2023

The regular Board meeting of the Ovid Township Board was called to order at 4 p.m. by the Supervisor with the Pledge to the Flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor Jennings West, Clerk Claudia Barrett Pluger, Treasurer Nancy J. Hughson, Trustee Arlene Pesik, Trustee Patricia Hibbard (4:11 p.m.)

ALSO PRESENT:

Bob Meredith; Tony Hernandez, Elieff Brothers Roofing; Sheriff Dush; Val Vail-Shirey

AGENDA:

Moved by Trustee Arlene that we approve the Agenda, as written, Seconded by Treasurer Nancy. All in favor, Motion carried.

PROPOSED MINUTES FROM JUNE 8, 2023, BOARD MEETING:

Moved by Trustee Arlene that we accept the June 8, 2023, Board meeting minutes, as written, Seconded by Treasurer Nancy. All in favor, Motion carried.

PROPOSED MINUTES FROM JUNE 26, 2023, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING:

Moved by Trustee Arlene that we accept the June 26, 2023, Special Board meeting minutes, Seconded by Supervisor Jennings. All in favor, Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Nancy provided the Board with the June 2023 financials, the June monthly income received report, bank balances, along with the supporting bank statements as

of June 30, 2023, and the corresponding bank reconciliations for each month's bank statement.

Huntington Bank Account Balances:

General Fund bank balance is \$250,240.92.

Payroll account balance is \$5,286.64.

Delinquent Property bank balance is \$313.08

Michigan Class:

General Fund is \$236,396.83.

Emergency Services is \$155,178.07

ARPA – \$180,051.85

Mercantile Bank Account Balances:

Emergency Services account is \$17,011.52.

ARPA Account is \$40,239.44.

Journey Federal Credit Union Balances:

Tax account balance is \$987.40.

Cemetery account balance is \$3,937.85.

Treasurer Nancy commented that the tax and delinquent personal property accounts are off by \$2.94. Tax season started July 1st. We've received quite a few tax payments already. Some Emergency Services money and ARPA money have been transferred into Michigan Class.

Moved by Trustee Arlene to support the Treasurer's report, as submitted, bank statements and reconciliations included for review, subject to audit, Seconded by Supervisor Jennings. All in favor, Motion carried.

AMEND AND APPROVE BUDGET:

Moved by Clerk Claudia that we amend and approve the budget for GL #101-299-817, MTA Dues, for \$43.63 from unallocated funds to cover the amount over, Seconded by Trustee Arlene. All in favor, Motion carried.

CLERK/BILLS – FOR APPROVAL:

Clerk Claudia supplied the Board with the Check Disbursement Report for review.

The following are the banks and check numbers for approval:

Huntington Bank – Payroll Check Numbers 506-512, Preauthorized by policy and approval, Check Numbers 11283-11286 and Check Numbers 11287-11297 and EFTs.

Mercantile Bank – Emergency Services, Check Number 1081 and Journey Federal Credit Union – Cemetery, Check Number 1027. The total for approval is \$11,663.39.

Clerk Claudia commented last month we talked about the \$558.55 charge on the Treasurer's Visa card that is in dispute. This month's bill said disputed, and we were not charged any interest fees from last month.

Moved by Treasurer Nancy to approve the Clerk's Check Disbursement Report for payment of all invoices, Seconded by Trustee Arlene. All in favor, Motion carried.

UNFINISHED/UPDATED BUSINESS:

Township Hall Roof – Bids:

Clerk Claudia commented we should decide what kind of a roof is best for the Township, metal or asphalt shingles. We've had several bids and roofing people coming in talking to us. We need to be comparing apples to apples. Once we decide what type of roof we think is best, we could then review and discuss the estimates we've received. Board discussion.

Tony Hernandez, Elieff Brothers Roofing:

Tony commented he quoted a polymer-blended asphalt shingle, and that's a 50-year non-prorated warranty. He also gave a bid for a metal roof. Board discussion with Tony and public comments.

Moved by Trustee Pat that we go with a polymer asphalt roof with a non-prorated warranty, Seconded by Treasurer Nancy.

Roll call vote was as follows:

Treasurer Nancy Hughson – **Yes**

Trustee Patricia Hibbard – **Yes**

Trustee Arlene Pesik – **Yes**

Clerk Claudia Barrett Pluger – **Yes**

Supervisor Jennings West – **Yes**

All in favor, Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sheriff Dush:

Sheriff Dush updated us on some of the things going on in the County.

Doug Steffen and John Fuentes are working on an ORV ordinance.

State of Michigan Chart of Accounts Conversion – Maner Costerisan:

Treasurer Nancy reported she spoke to Maner Costerisan about doing this for us.

They are working on updating several entities Chart of Accounts right now.

Moved by Trustee Pat that we pay Maner Costerisan to do our new Chart of Accounts, Seconded by Trustee Arlene.

Roll call vote was as follows:

Treasurer Nancy Hughson – **Yes**

Trustee Patricia Hibbard – **Yes**

Trustee Arlene Pesik – **Yes**
Clerk Claudia Barrett Pluger – **Yes**
Supervisor Jennings West – **Yes**

All in favor, Motion carried.

Cyber Insurance – \$1,134:

Clerk Claudia stated cyber insurance is extra. The cost is \$1,134. Our insurance is \$7,514, so the total of both would be \$8,648. The insurance went up \$3,000 from last year. Board discussion.

Moved by Clerk Claudia that we purchase the cyber insurance for \$1,134, Seconded by Trustee Pat.

Roll call vote was as follows:

Treasurer Nancy Hughson – **Yes**
Trustee Patricia Hibbard – **Yes**
Trustee Arlene Pesik – **Yes**
Clerk Claudia Barrett Pluger – **Yes**
Supervisor Jennings West – **Yes**

All in favor, Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Library – Trustee Patricia Hibbard:

Our Board packets have the May 17, 2023, Library Board meeting minutes, along with the financials, the May 2023 Statistics sheet and the June Librarian's Report. Trustee Pat was unable to attend the last meeting.

OMESA – Treasurer Nancy Hughson:

Treasurer Nancy supplied the Board with the May 23, 2023, minutes, Treasurer's report and supporting financial statements. Also included in our Board packets is the Ovid Fire and Rescue Fire Chief's Report from 5-24-2023 through 6-27-2023.

Treasurer Nancy stated the Board voted to buy a new fire truck.

CAASA – Supervisor Jennings West:

Supervisor Jennings commented there was not a lot to report on the CAASA meeting.

County Commissioner – Val Vail-Shirey:

Val commented the Citizens Advisory Committee for the Utility Scale Solar and Wind Project is going well. There were six meetings planned; two have already taken place. There are wind and solar tours planned. It's a great group of 19 people. They're hoping to have more presentations, if they can fit them in. They are receiving a lot of

information. Clinton County is being watched by the Governor and the rest of the State of Michigan to see what we end up with.

Guidehouse has been doing a study on the Clinton County Prosecutor's Office, and at today's Ways and Means meeting it was presented to them. It's on-line at the County website. There were quite a few recommendations – bring up salaries that would put them at or above surrounding counties to be able to secure and retain employees in the Prosecutor's Office. Also, it was recommended training for our Prosecutor in management skills. The Board of Commissioners approved all the suggested recommendations at a cost of \$300,000.

***Public Comments:**

Bob Meredith inquired what makes one township different from another in this County. There are old junk cars in this area. The Board says to go to the County.

Val commented some townships have their own zoning. That's the difference. Val said to call Joel Haviland (989) 224-5180.

Board Comments:

Treasurer Nancy commented we need to think about what we are going to do with the ARPA money. Board discussion.

Adjournment:

Moved by Trustee Pat that we adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Trustee Arlene. All in favor, Motion carried.

Supervisor Jennings adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

Claudia Barrett Pluger, Clerk