

**OVID TOWNSHIP
Regular Board Meeting
March 5, 2015**

Administrative Offices (a.k.a. Ovid Township Hall)
1015 Baese Ct.
Ovid, MI 48866

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Supervisor Greg Palen with Pledge to the Flag. Roll call found the following members present: Supervisor Greg Palen, Clerk Michelle Robinson, Treasurer Casie Chunko, Trustee Randy Montague, and Trustee Nancy Hughson. Absent: none. Also present: approximately 4 visitors.

AGENDA: Moved by Montague, **seconded** by Chunko to approve agenda as presented with the addition of Sheriff report. **Motion carried.**

MINUTES: Moved by Montague, **seconded** by Chunko to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2015 regular meeting. **Motion carried.**

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BUDGET: Moved by Montague, **seconded** by Hughson to make nine amendments to the budget: move \$210.00 from unallocated funds to Salaries (101-702), move \$191.41 from unallocated funds to Printing and Publishing (262-900), move \$573.99 from unallocated funds to Misc. Equipment & Supplies (262-977), move \$73.97 from unallocated funds to Office Supplies (265-727), move \$326.15 from unallocated funds to Electric (265-920), move \$154.65 from unallocated funds to Telephone (265-850), move \$359.44 from unallocated funds to Street Lighting (450-920), move \$280.00 from unallocated funds to Per Diem Member at Large (790-801), move \$707.65 from unallocated funds to Payroll Tax (101-862). **Motion carried**

FINANCIAL REPORT: Moved by Robinson, **seconded** by Hughson to approve the Treasurer's Report after review and approval of the bank statements, subject to audit, and place on file showing the following account balances: General Fund Checking \$379,977.84; Tax Deposit Account \$666,228.02; Tax Disbursement Account \$592.18; Del Personal Property Tax Account \$506.10 see attached). County settlement went great! There is one dispersement left to do. Winter tax collection is finished! **Motion carried.**

BILLS: Moved by Hughson, **seconded** by Chunko to approve payment of the bills as presented using checks #9379 through #9400 totaling \$10,585.77 (see attached). **Motion carried.**

COMMITTEES:

CEMETERY: Nothing new to report.

OMESA: Ambulance runs = 66, fire runs = 16. Looking at joining phone and internet with the Village to save money. There are four forced air heaters in the bays which are original from 1975. They have had to replace the fan in one of them but have discovered that the head exchanges may not hold much longer. Cell tower: We are checking with DayStarr Communications to see if they would take care of moving the fiber optics on the OMESA property. Applebee Oil is still interested in the OMESA property but they are waiting to hear from the State on the land locked status of their tank. Dave Dunham is looking into information for the CERT training. Casie met with Larry St. George about the Citizens Corp CERT. If we go this route then we need to have a CERT board at the county level to be recognized.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER – KAM WASHBURN: The county voted to go ahead with the new 911 tower in Victor Township on Claude Vail's property, which ties into the idea of having a tower in each corner of the county. Capital improvements at GreenHaven Youth facility to improve the inside have been approved. They

are also looking into replacing the roof on the Quanset at the fairgrounds. The road patrol and correction officers contracts were settled – a three year contract – there were many questions regarding pensions and there was just a small hole in that fund. It was decided that at least ½ million would be put in that fund over the life of this contract. The 911 operators also had their 2 year contract settled. Greenbush Supervisor Jim Jorae passed away unexpectedly. Eugene Jones as a trustee and is now acting Supervisor. Ramona Smith from Eureka was appointed to fill the trustee spot.

ASSESSOR UPDATE – DIANE DOWLER: Board of review for next week is all set and ready to go!

DEPUTY GUTE: He is the new Deputy on for this area and introduced himself. 22 years ago he started his career here in Ovid, then he moved to Shiawassee County Road Patrol, then worked the midnight shift on the Homicide squad. He then spent the last year and a half as Road Patrol LT in Shiawassee County, then he was laid off when the mileage proposal failed. Now he is here in Clinton County. There were 99 events since last month, most were from the gravel truck incident on M-21.

OUTSTANDING ATTORNEY BILL: There is an outstanding bill from our old attorneys that this board does not believe is accurate. Supervisor Palen will be meeting with Supervisor Herendenen to try and get settled.

SET BUDGET MEETING DATE: March 24, 2015 at 6 p.m. at the Ovid Township Hall.

LIBRARY BOARD RESIGNATIONS: Margo Martin and Kevin VanGieson have retired from the library board. The Ovid Township Board would like to appoint David Chambers and Claire Holly. **Moved** by Robinson, **seconded** by Hughson. **Motion carried.**

ANNUAL ROAD COMMISSION MEETING: Our date is March 25, 2015 from 11-12 p.m.

MEMORIAL DAY PLANS: We are getting started on this and will have an update at the April Meeting.

LAWN MOWING BID LETTING: We will be advertising for lawn mowing the first and second week of April and bids will be opened at the May meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

BOARD COMMENTS: None.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle M. Robinson, Clerk

Gregory Palen, Supervisor