

# Minutes of September 1, 2020 Oliver Township board meeting.

Meeting called order approximately 7 PM in the fire hall by supervisor Larry Krohn and recited Pledge of Allegiance.

Members and guests present. Tom Ziel, Dave McArther, Bob Ross, Bob Krohn, Larry Krohn, Scott Holzwart, Steve Vaughan, Lonnie Schulz, Jeanette Renn, Kevin Mckenzie, Gary Sweeney and Jim Seley.

Motion to approve agenda by Bob Ross. Seconded by Jeanette Renn. Motion passed.

Consent agenda adoption. Minutes of the August 4 board meeting. Motion to approve by Jeanette Renn, seconded by Kevin Mckenzie. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report.

Balance on hand \$344,101.63.

Fire chief's report.

Jim Seley reported the fire department toured Tower Automotive for training. They have issues with some hydrants. They will need to get those up-to-date.

There are four new fire department auxiliary members. Motion by Bob Ross to send new trainees to training in December 2021 if all goes well during probation period. Seconded by Kevin Mckenzie. Motion passed. The department will then have 24 firefighters.

The fire department would like six new pagers, cost \$500 each. Motion to purchase by Jeanette Renn. Seconded by Bob Ross. Motion passed.

Fire runs:

August 6, automobile roll over near the corner of Farver and Stein roads. Two vehicles involved.

August 7, tanker assist

August 8, two vehicle accident with a tractor and pick-up truck on M-142 east of town. Pick-up had five people onboard. Three were young children.

August 23, tanker assist on Owendale house fire.

August 24, kitchen stove fire at 125 S. Main, Elkton. Incident consisted of mainly smoke that was cleared out by fire department fans.

August 24, lift assist, woman in town fell.

Site permits:

Gene Schulze is building new house on Gagetown Rd. \$320 fee.

Old business:

The Village Road project is going well and should be done in two weeks. Tom Ziel suggested \$20,000 to be donated to the village for that project. Motion by Kevin Mckenzie to donate said amount to Village

for road project. Second by Bob Ross. Motion passed. Lonnie Schultz to present bill to Township when project is completed.

New business:

Larry Krohn reported that the Michigan Townships Association has an online program for training. There are three price range options. Jeanette Renn made the motion that we go with option number two. Second by Kevin Mckenzie. Motion passed.

There are two solar development companies that want to lease land in the county.

Tom Ziel and Larry Krohn reported that the ditch bank washouts on Maxwell Road will be fixed by the county and paid for by the regular road maintenance fund. The township will not have to pay.

Larry Krohn also reported that dust control brine has been put on Kilmanagh road and revenue sharing from the state is uncertain.

Assessor's report:

Dave McArther spoke of two Board of Review cases. McKinley apartments and Elkton golf course. Both have been resolved.

Planning Commission report:

Scott Holzwart, chairman of planning commission, reported they will continue to work on the new commercial solar power ordinance.

County Commissioner's Report:

Steve Vaughan stated that the Huron County planning commission would have their solar ordinance finished soon. Oliver Township planning commission could look at that ordinance for guidance. The County building is back open for business after coronavirus issues. They will be renovating offices with bank teller style windows for business in the hallways. Homeland security funding will be used to do renovations. Steve Vaughan also reported that the MRAC issue should have a decision soon.

Harvest Wind II has sent a letter of credit extension for wind turbine decommissioning that extends to the year 2023.

A company called Par Plan requested that we let them quote an insurance plan for the township. There was a brief discussion about the difficulty of changing insurance companies. The township was well satisfied with the current provider and did not wish to change insurance companies at this time.

Motion to pay bills by Jeanette Renn. Seconded by Kevin Mckenzie. Motion passed.  
See list below.

Motion to adjourn by Bob Ross. Seconded by Jeanette Renn. Motion passed.

Check number 10455, Larry Krohn, \$1650.00, supervisor wage and MTA online training reimbursement of \$1000.

Check number 10456, Tom Ziel, \$125.00, trustee wage.

Check number 10457, Kevin Mckenzie, \$125.00, trustee wage.

Check number 10458, Jeanette Renn, \$1170.00, Treasurer / Deputy wage.

Check number 10459, Jim Seley, \$500.00, Fire Chief's wage.

Check number 10460, Robert Ross, \$870.00, Clerk's wage.

Check number 10461, Le Village Market,\$30.95, fire truck fuel.

Check number 10462, Thumb Office Supply, \$40.00, flag for front of hall.

Check number 10463

, Robert Ross, \$56.00, reimbursement for paying post office box rental fee.

Check number 10464, Huron Co. board of commissioners, \$834.18, wind tax appeal for Clark Hill, April, May, June, 2020, Invoice number 2020 - 02