

January 2021 Oliver township board meeting minutes.

Due to Covid concerns the Oliver township meeting was held on a telephone conference call.

Members and guests present, Gary Sweeney, Tom Ziel, Kevin Mckenzie, Bob Ross, Bob Krohn, Larry Krohn, Jeanette Renn, Jim Seley, Dan Armbruster and Dave McArther.

Tom Ziel called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Motion to approve the agenda by Bob Ross and seconded by Gary Sweeney. Motion passed.

Consent agenda adoption. Motion to approve last months minutes by Jeanette Renn and seconded by Kevin Mckenzie. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report.

Balance on hand is \$237,240.15.

Fire Chief's report.

December was a slow month for the department. About half of the firefighters have gotten the Covid vaccine at the time of the meeting.

Fire runs.

December 8, lift assist.

December 10, false alarm at Tower Automotive.

December 22, tanker assist with Pigeon Fire Department.

December 28, Lift assist.

Tom Ziel, Jim Seley and Dan Armbruster had a brief discussion of the grant program they are working on for the fire department. Pigeon fire department is also helping with this and progress is being made.

Site permits. Joel Diebel shed permit was issued.

The board had a brief discussion about road maintenance and construction for the year of 2021. The township board felt that we could pave 2 miles of Richardson Road and 1/2 mile shared with Chandler Township on Berne Road. Motion by Bob Ross and seconded by Gary Sweeney to get bids from the road commission. Motion passed. Tom Ziel was to proceed with communication with HCRC.

A ditch near the corner of Farver and Geiger roads will be cleaned out at an estimated cost of \$2400. The township will pay 25% and Huron county will pay 20%. The remaining cost goes to the adjacent landowner, Robert Krohn. Motion by Gary Sweeney and seconded by Bob Ross to pay up to \$600 for this project when completed. Motion passed.

The Elkton trailer park has been sold to new owners. The DNR has a ruling that allows the township to take over the park's water system if we so choose. A brief discussion was held. Motion by Jeanette Renn and seconded by Kevin Mckenzie to NOT take over the water system at the trailer. Owners of the park will be responsible for their water system. Motion passed.

The planning commission is still working on a solar ordinance.

Assessor's report.

Dave McArther reported that agricultural land and commercial property went up 4%. Industrial remained the same and residential property went up 5% in value. The taxable increase this year is 1.4%. The board review dates this year are March 2, March 10 and March 11.

Motion to pay the bills by Jeanette Renn and seconded by Bob Ross. Motion passed. See attached list.

Motion to adjourn by Bob Ross and seconded by Kevin Mckenzie. Motion passed.

Check number 11046, EMC Insurance, \$600.00, insurance.

Check number 11047, Tom Ziel, \$650.00

Check number 11048, Robert Ross, \$870.00

Check number 11049, Jeanette Renn, \$1170.00

Check number 11050, Kevin Mckenzie, \$125.00

Check number 11051, Gary Sweeney, \$125.00

Check number 11052, Jim Seley, \$500.00

Check number 11053, village of Elkton, \$172.50, water and sewer bill for fire hall.

Check number 11054, Bill Bitner, \$390.00, cemetery mowing for 2020.

Check number 11055, Jeanette Renn, \$35.59, postage for treasurer's office.

Check number 11056, Bryan Blackstock, \$599.01, replacement check for number 10417. 10417 voided because we could not locate Mr Blackstock and was dated July 16, 2020, (checks are void after 30 days).