



Osceola Township Board Meeting Minutes October 11, 2023

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Osceola Township Hall, 8995 95th Ave, Evart, MI 49631

Board members present: Supervisor Tim Ladd, Treasurer Martin Nieman, Clerk Jenny Rounds, Trustee Connie Holmes. Absent: Trustee Darlene Schroeder. Guests: Dave Huff, Kelly Eckardt, Larry Lauman, Ken Stigers, Tom Jankens, Duane Anderson.

Supervisor Tim Ladd called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm. **Motion by Nieman and supported by Rounds to approve agenda, with the addition of the spring cleanup dates.** Motion approved by board. **Motion by Holmes and supported by Nieman to approve September regular board meeting minutes, with deletion of line “sell 25 acres plus easement”, and correction of Green and Richmond Townships to Greenwood and Richland Townships.** Motion approved by board. **Motion by Rounds and supported by Holmes to approve the treasurer’s report.** Motion approved by board.

Public Comments:

- Question re: EMS building
- Solar/wind zoning—state considering removing local control
- Planning Commission meeting next week

Old Business:

Fire Department Report: none

Library Report: none

New Business:

Assessor Report: Going over info from summer visits. There will be a December BOR meeting.

Early Voting Agreement with County:

- **Motion by Ladd and supported by Rounds to authorize Clerk to sign Early Voting Agreement after receiving clarification regarding the total amount of payment over first two years.** Motion approved by board.

Discussion of property sale:

- Kelly Eckerd, real estate agent who lives in township discussed potential sale of the township’s wooded lots. Vacant land selling for average of \$3300 per acre.
- Expenses would include 6% realtor fees and possibly a survey.
- Placed call to Ken Ford to check on logging status. Front parcel is not being logged. Majority of logging completed on larger parcel.
- **Motion by Holmes and supported by Ladd to list the two township wooded lots (1200400600; 119.6 acres and 1200400401; 26.6 acres, a total of 146.2 acres) for sale at \$3500/acre, for a total price of \$511,700, with the disclosure that there is a logging operation currently underway.** Motion approved by board.
- **Motion by Rounds and supported by Ladd to contract Kelly Eckhardt, township resident, as our seller’s agent, through Fivestar Realty, for the two township lots being placed for sale.** Motion approved by board.
- Tim will speak with some design architects about coming to the next meeting.
- We will continue to check with other townships about what they like/don’t like about their buildings. Potential size is 3500 square feet.

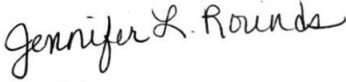
Financial Business: Motion by *Holmes* and supported by *Ladd* to pay bills as listed on the expense sheet/payroll. Motion approved by board.

Spring Cleanup May 18, 8-2 pm and August 17, 8-2 pm.

Public Comments: none

Motion by *Rounds* and supported by *Nieman* to adjourn meeting at 7:00 pm Motion approved by board.

Submitted by: Jennifer Rounds-Osceola Twp. Clerk

Handwritten signature of Jennifer L. Rounds in cursive script.