



Osceola Township
Board Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2022
8995 95th Ave, Ewart, MI 49631

Approved
10/12/22

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Board met on 9/14/2022 at the Osceola Township Hall.

Supervisor Tim Ladd called the meeting to order at 5:02. Board members present: Supervisor Tim Ladd, Treasurer Martin Nieman, Clerk Jenny Rounds, Trustee Connie Holmes and Trustee Darlene Schroeder. Guests: Tom Jankens, Wilmer Rice, Kimber Westmaas, Maryann Borden, Nick Rogers, Duane Anderson, Emily Rogers, Ken Stigers.

Motion by Rounds and supported by Schroeder to approve agenda. Motion approved by board. **Motion by Holmes and supported by Schroeder to approve August regular board meeting minutes.** Motion approved by board. **Motion by Rounds and supported by Schroeder to approve the treasurer's report.** Motion approved by board.

Public Comments: New road paving is a nice shortcut to US-10. Stop sign @ US-10 not very visible; no lane to turn off US-10 (coming from Reed City).

Old Business:

Fire Department Report: Randy is serving as chief while Shane gone. Putting leftover money from budget year aside to save for future years.

Library Report: Seeking bids for a new roof.

New Business:

Assessor Report:

- Just completed regular visits; updated sketches
- State approved all AMAR changes
- Training in Cadillac re: future AMAR updates; completed continuing ed. hours

Purchase of property for township hall:

- Discussion: How would it benefit residents? Would it impact taxes?
- Would like to see a comparison of the cost of repairing current hall vs. building new
- Property contamination discussion: Road Commission did a phase 1 check on historical info—all clear.
- Need to ask what other halls are lacking and how often used.
- Timber sale: all oaks have fungus and will need to be removed. Potential to make \$300,000.
- **Motion made by Holmes, seconded by Schroeder to approve purchase 3.28 acres (property ID: 12 027 046 50) from the Road Commission for \$8250.** Upon roll call vote, the following voted aye: Ladd, Holmes, Nieman, Rounds, Schneider. The following voted nay: none. The following were absent: none. The Supervisor declared the motion carried on the 14th day of September, 2022.

Nasal Ranger (THC detection device):

- Discussion whether it will actually be used for enforcement. Can we make a schedule of events/timeline for enforcement for this type of situation?
- Township has an ordinance so it shouldn't be on the resident to try to deal with it.
- Clerk will draft email to attorney and set up a conference call with Supervisor in order to determine options for next steps.
- Wait on nasal ranger for more research and results of attorney discussion.

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

Public Comments:

- Roads: need to be shaped, crowning, address shoulders.
- 9 Mile between 95th and 100th would be a good test spot for crushed concrete
- MTA may be able to help with marijuana ordinance questions
- Hazardous Waste Collection—Oct. 8
- Cleanup Day went well—18 loads
- Chairs in hall came from Jenny Joyce. **Motion by *Nieman* and supported by *Ladd* to authorize payment to Jenny Joyce of \$100 for 39 chairs.** Motion approved by board.

Motion by *Nieman* and supported by *Holmes* to adjourn meeting at 6:04 pm. Motion approved by board.

Submitted by: Jennifer Rounds-Osceola Twp. Clerk

Jennifer L. Rounds