

PARMA TOWNSHIP  
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PARMA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING  
November 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chamberlain in the Township Hall, 16407 Comdon Road Albion, Michigan. The pledge to the flag followed. Present: Chamberlain, Dermeyer, Engelter, Mohney, Stanham, Mathias, and several observers.

Deputy Caroffino unable to attend. A report of incidents handled by the Sheriff's Department for October was given to board.

Public hearing was held on November 4, 2020 for the River Forks Solar Project.

Following receiving approval from the planning commission Mohney moved Engelter seconded carried to approve the River Forks Solar Project Conditional Use Permit. Mohney yes, Engelter yes, Dermeyer yes, Stanham yes, Chamberlain yes.

October 13, 2020 Board regular meeting minutes were entered into the records as presented. October 7, 2020 Planning Commission meeting were entered into records as presented.

Dermeyer gave the treasurers report. Fund balances as of October 31, 2020 are as follows: General \$91,088.68, Water \$72,544.40.

Engelter gave the fire report. Total calls for October was 69 runs. 2020 has had 619 runs for the year, looking at record year. The insurance recovery fund has been separated. \$3200 used to sending 3 firefighters to training/MFR. Jeep hasn't been listed yet, minimum bid \$1500. New fire engine may be ready by January 2021. Chief in discussion regarding audit cost increase, possibly new accountant brought in for next audit. The chief's annual evaluation was done November 2020 and received 4.55 out of 5.

Engelter moved Dermeyer seconded carried to appoint Keith Mohney as Parma Township fire board member. Engelter yes, Dermeyer yes, Stanham yes, Mohney yes, Chamberlain yes.

Chamberlain gave the water report. Jacob Mead replacing 1 water service and 1 hydrant.

Mohney reported on the November 4, 2020 River Fork Solar Project public hearing meeting followed by Regular monthly Planning Commission meeting. Zoning ordinance is in place to provide solar with several conditions to be met. Encompassing approximately 807 acres, creating new jobs, and generating tax revenue. Mohney reported survey for master plan postponed until January 2021.

Stanham reported there were 5 zoning, 12 mechanical, 2 plumbing, and 9 electrical inspections performed in October.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Tax bills going out in December.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Chamberlain moved, Engelter seconded carried to add 1 zoning and 1 building inspection to fee schedule for sheds. Chamberlain yes, Engelter yes, Stanham yes, Dermeyer yes, Mohney yes.

Chamberlain postponed appointing construction board of review members noting that the construction board members should be knowledgeable of trade. 4 members to include 1 electrical, 1 mechanical, 1 plumbing, and 1 building.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chamberlain moved Engelter seconded carried to adopt Resolution 20-14 to appoint Ruth Scott as County Designated Assessor. Chamberlain yes, Engelter yes, Mohney yes, Dermeyer yes, Stanham yes.

Chamberlain moved, Dermeyer seconded carried to adopt Resolution 20-15 to appoint Cory Caroffino and/or any Jackson County Deputy employed by the Jackson County Sheriff's office as Enforcement Officer to Ordinance 20-13. Chamberlain yes, Dermeyer yes, Engelter yes, Stanham yes, Mohney yes.

Chamberlain moved Stanham seconded carried to adopt Resolution 20-16 all vehicles on Township property with no business to conduct are deemed unauthorized, and will be towed at the owners' expense. Chamberlain yes, Stanham yes, Dermeyer yes, Mohney yes, Engelter no.

Chamberlain moved Dermeyer seconded carried to cancel Regular board meetings for December 2020 and January 2021 to try to lessen spike of COVID-19 and meeting again February 2021. Chamberlain yes, Dermeyer yes, Stanham yes, Mohney yes, Engelter yes.

Chamberlain moved Dermeyer seconded carried to pay December 2020 and January 2021 regular bills as presented and all routine ones that occur on or before the end of January 2021. Chamberlain yes, Dermeyer yes, Engelter yes, Stanham yes, Mohney yes.

Engelter moved Mohney seconded carried to allow the Clerk to make the necessary budget amendments. Engelter yes, Mohney yes, Dermeyer yes, Stanham yes, Chamberlain yes.

Engelter moved Mohney seconded carried to pay the bills as presented and all routine ones that occur on or before the end of the month. Engelter yes, Mohney yes, Stanham yes, Dermeyer yes, Chamberlain yes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53pm

Submitted,

Sarah Stanham, Clerk

By Stacia Mathias, Deputy Clerk

