

SUMMERFIELD TOWNSHIP
December 20, 2021
Regular Meeting
26 Saline St., Petersburg, MI 49270

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Lucarelli at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Wiederhold, Strahan, Goodin, Seegert and Lucarelli were present.

Motion by Lucarell and supported by Strahan to approve the agenda.

Motion by Seegert and supported by Strahan to approve the November 15th., 2021 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Wiederhold

Received \$8,710.00 from Horak Farms for the farm land rent. Received \$1,737.19 from D&P Cable and \$77.32 from Buckeye cable for franchise fees. Received \$250.00 for the fire ordinance fund from State Farm Insurance. Total taxes collected as of December 10th is \$241,177.90. Total monies in all accounts is \$2,247,446.50. Motion by Goodin and supported by Strahan to accept Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Pay Bills: Clerk Goodin presented checks. Motion by Strahan and supported by Seegert to pay checks #32968-#33023 in the amount of \$92,292.27. Motion carried.

Fire Report:

47 calls in the month of November.

35 rescues	5 service
2 standby	3 assist
2 fire	

39 calls in the township, 3 in the city and 5 mutual aid

Chief Lucas stated that the department received a grant awarding them a second Lucas (CPR) device and two defibrillators. They are applying for another grant and hoping to obtain turn-out gear and jaws equipment. Santa will proceed on Christmas Eve in the same manner as last year.

New Business:

Town hall meeting-cemetery survey – Supervisor Lucarelli opened up to public comments in regards to possibly surveying the cemetery and changing the zoning to industrial in order to attract businesses to the township. Most in attendance were opposed to the idea and have concerns with the existing Stevens Disposal business already located in that area. Planning Commission Chairperson Amy Reiter stated their recommendation would be to rezone it to commercial. She also stated if you have concerns with the hours of operation, littering, etc. in regards to Stevens Disposal; please contact Michigan EGLE (formerly known as the DNR). If you have issues with speeding trucks, she recommends contacting the Michigan State Police. One member in attendance asked the board to stay open minded to new ideas about attracting businesses. No action was taken in regards to changing the zoning. There was discussion that there is not a survey on file for the entire cemetery and adjacent farmland. Motion by Strahan and supported by Seegert to put out a bid notice for the surveying of cemetery and farmland to be due at our February 21st meeting. Motion carried.

Szymanski & Schultz Land Combination – Motion by Strahan and supported by Seegert to approve the land combination/boundary adjustment for Nicolas Szymanski & Heather Schultz (parcel #s 14 035 045 10 and 14 035 045 20). Motion carried.

Cemetery – roof/trees/bushes – Motion by Seegert and supported by Strahan to put out a bid for replacing and/or repairing the roof on the barn at Pleasant View Cemetery and a separate bid for trimming and/or removing dead trees and bushes at the cemetery. Also, the area by the township hall’s dumpster has vines that need to be removed. Both bids will be due at our February 21st regular meeting. Motion carried.

New server for township hall – Motion by Goodin and supported by Wiederhold to accept the proposal from Chrome Enterprises for a server at the cost of \$4,300. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

New doors for township hall – Received two quotes. Overhead door quoted a price of \$2,950.49 and Lincoln Park Glass quoted \$1,693. Motion by Lucarelli and supported by Goodin to approve the quote from Lincoln Park Glass in the amount of \$1,693 contingent on Building Inspector’s Lange approval. Motion carried.

2022 poverty guidelines – motion by Seegert and supported by Strahan to approve the 2022 resolution for poverty exemption and guidelines. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried. Supervisor Lucarelli reported that we passed our AMAR audit. The board is in agreement that Assessor Lieb is doing a great job.

Old Business:

none

Public Comments:

Benson Hoffman stated that a new ATM machine is being installed at the local VFW and he has concerns on how it’ll be taxed.

Reports:

Motion by Strahan to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Support by Seegert. Motion carried.

Unapproved

Respectfully Submitted:

Trudy Goodin, Clerk