Wheeler Township

Minutes

Tuesday

October 13, 2020

**1. Meeting called to order** at 7:00 pm

**Board Members present:** Jerry Rohde, Supervisor; Neil Jenkins, Trustee; Marguerite Cooper, Treasurer; Kelly Bushre, Clerk; Brian Goward, Trustee.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance recited**

**3. Public Comments – None**

**4. Approval of Consent Agenda** – Motion by N. Jenkins with support from M. Cooper to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

**5. Approval of Agenda** – Motion by B. Goward to approve the Agenda as presented. Support by N. Jenkins. Motion carried.

**6. Guest** – none

**7. Approval of Minutes** – Minutes of 8-11-2020 approved. Motion by J. Rohde and support by B. Goward to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

Motion by M. Cooper with support by N. Jenkins to approve the 9-8-2020 as presented. Motion carried. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

**8. Approval of Invoices** – Motion by B. Goward to approve bills as presented, Support by N. Jenkins. Yes Votes: Rohde, Jenkins, Cooper, Bushre, Goward. No: 0 votes. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**9. Report by:**

**Supervisor:**

1. **Zoning Permits:** Rodriquez-Pole Bldg., Wm. Crowell-Pole Bldg. addition. B. Monk-Manufactured home in Section 1 on Adams Rd.
2. **Assessing update**: waiting for leaves to fall then will start visiting parcels to update records if needed.
3. **Land Division**: none
4. **Complaints –** none
5. **Planning Commission Mtg.** update – Held meeting on 10-7-20. Discussed and recommend the Blight Ordinance to the Township Board. Tom Turner will be moving soon and we will need to appoint a new member after we receive his resignation. Scheduled next year’s meeting dates.

**Treasurer:**

**Tax update** – still taking in Summer Tax payments. Going to be getting started on the 2020 Winter Tax Bills.

**Clerk:**

1. **Upcoming events –** Fire Dept. Meeting on 10-21-20. Still doing Hall Rentals. Leaving up to the people renting to follow the Covid-19 guidelines.
2. **Elections –**Election is fast approaching. AV ballot count is up to 400. A large increase from the 2016 election of 166 AV ballots. Have the workers set in place and going to have the Public Testing on October 21st at 10am. Along with some training.

**10. Fire/Rescue Department**

**1. Update –**Got new Pulse /O2 meters. The new Battery jaws worked well. All pumps on trucks have been tested and are in good working condition. Maggie and Bridget are working on an Outstanding Invoice Policy for unpaid runs. Consumers are getting the gas disconnected. Architec drawings are coming in for the Fire Hall update

**11. Unfinished Business**

**1. Blight Ordinance –** Discussed. Motion by B. Goward to approve the Blight Ordinance for a 1 year trail with Gratiot County. Support from K. Bushre. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Yes – B. Goward, N. Jenkins, K. Bushre, M. Cooper, J. Rohde. No – 0

**2.** Blight Intergovernmental agreement with the county – still working on finalizing the agreement.

**3.** Consumers change on Power Station – planned on putting on the corner of M-46/Ransom Road but know have decided to move it west. Going to put in on the west side of Stoneman Seed Business. Plans of station will be the same.

**12. New Business**

**1.** DTE – Solar agreement – DTE is looking at possibility to bring solar into Township. Will have to look at the Zoning to make sure we are update to date.

**2.** Handyperson Resolution – Discussed. Motion by B. Goward with support by M. Cooper to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

**13. Public Comments** – Josh Dishaw gave an update of some break ins in Porter Twp.

**14. Board Comments** – none

**15. Adjournment** - J. Rohde adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.

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Jerome Rohde, Supervisor Kelly A. Bushre, Clerk