

## Proposed Minutes of January 19, 2021

The Ossineke Township Board met in Regular Session, at the Ossineke Twp. Hall. Supervisor Lobert called the meeting to order, at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board Members present were: Supervisor Kenneth Lobert, Clerk Jo'Lee S Dorie, Treasurer Denise Schultz, Trustee Jerry Leschinger and Trustee Randy Fairbanks. Also present were: Kevin Grulke, Harry Krentz, Caroline Siegert and Amy Roznowski.

The minutes of November 9, 2020 were approved as read.

### The Treasurer reported balances on hand as of December 1, 2020 as follows:

\$542,370.10 in the General Fund  
\$1,761.81 in the Liquor Fund  
\$106,286.22 in the Fire Protection & Equipment Fund  
\$6,411.00 in the Trust and Agency

Treasurer report filed as read.

The minutes of December 8, 2020 were approved as read.

### The Treasurer reported balances on hand as of January 1, 2021 as follows:

\$498,382.40 in the General Fund  
\$1,761.88 in the Liquor Fund  
\$116,270.69 in the Fire Protection & Equipment Fund  
\$284,139.23 in the Trust and Agency

Treasurer report filed as read.

### BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Supervisor Lobert informed the board that certain board appointments need to be done.

Leschinger moved, Fairbanks supported, **CARRIED**, to reappoint Caroline Siegert as the Liquor Inspector, term 1-1-2021 – 12-31-2022.

Dorie moved, Schultz supported, **CARRIED**, to reappoint Harry Krentz, Kevin Grulke and Timothy Wade to the Board of Review, term 1-1-2021 – 12-31-2022.

Dorie moved, Schultz supported, **CARRIED**, to reappoint Kevin Grulke to the Planning Commission, term 1-1-2021 – 12-31-2023.

Schultz moved, Dorie supported, **CARRIED**, to reappoint Harry Krentz to the Board of Appeals, term 1-1-2021 – 12-31-2023.

### TRAININGS:

Supervisor Lobert informed the board that he registered Harry Krentz, Kevin Grulke, Tim Wade and Kenneth Lobert for Board of Review Training. The participants are able to pick whatever date works best for them – Live access is January 25<sup>th</sup>, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, February 10<sup>th</sup>, February 18 or February 26<sup>th</sup> 2021. Schultz moved, Dorie supported, **CARRIED**, to pay any expenses incurred for this training.

### ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

1 zoning permit issued. Randy received an inquiry on building a new home, and splitting the property which he referred to Kenneth Lobert.

Randy also received one complaint regarding items being stored on her property from the neighbours. Randy will take a look at the situation and make suggestions, However, he doesn't believe that this is a zoning issue.

### PLANNING COMMISSION:

Denise informed the board that they reviewed the Masterplan at a conference, and the next step was to post the draft for the review period.

Dorie moved, Schultz supported, **CARRIED**, to approve to post the draft Masterplan for a 63 day review period.

### RESOLUTION 2021-1:

**WHEREAS**, MCL 211.30(8) allows the Township to adopt a resolution to allow taxpayer to file his or her protest before the Board of Review by letter, **WHEREAS**, such resolution would ease the burden on taxpayers, the assessor, and the Board of Review, **WHEREAS**, said resolution will ensure that all taxpayers have an equal opportunity to be heard by the Board of Review, **WHEREAS**, MCL 211.30(8) specifically states, The governing body of the township or city may authorize, by adoption of an ordinance or resolution, a resident taxpayer to file his or her protest before the board of review by letter without a personal appearance by the taxpayer or his or her agent. If that ordinance or resolution is adopted, the township or city shall include a statement notifying taxpayers of this option in each assessment notice under section 24c and on each notice or publication of the meeting by the board of review. **WHEREAS**, Ossineke Township at its regular monthly meeting on January 19, 2021 has passed by resolution to accept all March, July and December petitions by mail in accordance to MCL 211.30(8). **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Ossineke Township Board of Trustees, authorized the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the resolution; and keep on record with Ossineke Township. **ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES:** Lobert, Schultz, Leschinger, Fairbanks and Dorie. **NAYES:** None. **ABSENT:** None Supervisor Lobert declared the Resolution 2021-1, **ADOPTED**.

### PANDEMIC:

Due to the Pandemic it was suggested by Supervisor Lobert that the Clerk and Treasurer needed the authority to be able to pay bills when township meetings have to be cancelled. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to allow the Clerk and Treasurer to pay bills during the Pandemic with their dual authority.

### BILLS:

Dorie moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to pay all bills presented for December 2020 - 11470-11492.

Schultz moved, Fairbanks supported, **CARRIED**, to pay all bills presented for January 2021 – 11493-11509.

### ADJOURNMENT:

Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.

  
Jo'Lee S Dorie  
Township Clerk