Proposed Minutes of December 9, 2024

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 Jack Tufts, Dennis Liske, Vic Patzer, Mary and Gary Jenuwine, Kevin Grulke, Caroline Siegert, and John Abbott.

The minutes of November 11, 2024, were approved as read.

The Treasurer reported balances on hand as of December 1, 2024, as follows:

\$708,252.02 in the General Fund

\$1,782.23 in the Liquor Fund

\$25,342,29 in the Fire Protection & Equipment Fund

\$3,742.54 in the Trust and Agency

Treasurer report filed as read.

CITIZENS:

Kevin Grulke asked about the stakes placed in the ground on Bushey Road where he lives. Lobert said its from the Road Commission staking the ditches for plowing this winter.

Jack Tufts asked why the Road Commission declined the work in Nine Pines Subdivision. Lobert informed him that the Road Commission Board voted against the project and that Lobert will be looking into alternative options.

COUNTY EQUALIZATION ASSESSMENTS:

Lobert informed the board that he received the assessment ratios from the Equalization Department. The ratios need to be between 49-50%. Ossineke's current ratios are as follows: 101-Agriculture – 41.53%; 201-Commercial 48.97%; 301-Industrial 46.32%; and 401 Residential 44.35%.

ZONING:

1 zoning permit issued.

Randy followed up on a complaint he received and found that the black garbage bags being seen are full of insulation to keep them dry.

Kleve Road – current residents had until December 9th to evacuate the property, and Randy informed us that it appears that they are moving out. Randy will contact Donnie Higgens, the property owner, to discuss.

RECYCLING:

Randy gave us an update from the recycling meeting. Bailey Barr is the new Director.

Electronics Day/Clean Up Day - May 3rd, 2025.

Randy asked for an alternative for the recycling meeting in case he is unable to attend. Denise Schultz volunteered to be his alternative for Ossineke Township. The meetings are the 4th Thursday of every month.

PLANNING:

Denise updated us on the meeting they held on November 13th on Tiny House Ordinance. The Planning Board reviewed and made a motion to recommend approval. Ordinance will be sent to the township board for final approval.

Next Planning meeting will be January 8th on Short Term Rentals.

CEMETERY:

New Cemetery Ordinance presented to the board for review and approval. Ordinance will be published in the newspaper on December 13th and will be effective immediately following the 7th day of publication. Schultz moved, Dorie supported, CARRIED, to approve the Township Cemetery Ordinance 3-2024. To see the full ordinance please contact the township clerk. ROLL CALL: AYES: Lobert, Schultz, Leschinger, Fairbanks and Dorie. NAYS: none.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

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

Schultz moved, Dorie supported, CARRIED, to reappoint Kevin Grulke, Tim Wade, and Harry Krentz to the Board of Review and Amy Roznowski as alternative to the Board of Review, term 1-1-2025 to 12-31-2026.

Schultz moved, Dorie supported, CARRIED, to reappoint Kevin Grulke to the Board of Appeals, term 1-1-2025 to 12-31-2027. Dorie moved, Leschinger supported, CARRIED, to reappoint Caroline Siegert as Liquor Inspector, term 1-1-2025 to 12-31-2026. Dorie moved, Leschinger supported, CARRIED, to reappoint Denise Schultz and Tim Wade to the Planning Board, term 1-1-2025

to 12-31-2027.

BOARD OF REVIEW RECERTIFICATION:

There will be free training for recertification to Board of Review members on January 14, 2025, 9:00-12:00 at the Charter Township of Alpena. Leschinger moved, Schultz supported, CARRIED, to pay all expenses for all Board of Review members to attend.

BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING:

Board of Appeals meeting will be held on December 19, 2024, at the Ossineke Township Hall,

MONTHLY BILLS:

Fairbanks moved, Leschinger supported, CARRIED, for Schultz and Dorie to be able to pay invoices outside of the monthly board meeting as needed in 2025.

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATE CHANGE:

Dorie moved, Schultz supported, CARRIED, to move the Monday, February 10, 2025, board meeting to Thursday, February 20, 2025, at 7:00.

COMPUTER:

Leschinger moved, Schultz supported, CARRIED, to allow the township assessor to take his laptop to Florida while he is there.

BILLS:

Dorie moved, Schultz supported, CARRIED, to pay all bills presented 12593-12614.

ADJOURNMENT:

Leschinger moved, Dorie supported, CARRIED, to adjourn at 8:06 p.m.

Jo'Lee S Dorie Township Clerk