

SUMMERFIELD TOWNSHIP  
October 21, 2024  
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, Goodin, Seegert, Strahan and Lucarelli present.

Motion by Lucarelli and supported by Goodin to approve the agenda with moving the GEM Holding Land Combination to letter a) and appeal of MPSC's Order-Foster Swift to letter b). Motion carried.

Motion by Strahan and supported by Seegert to approve the September 16<sup>th</sup>. meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Wiederhold

Treasurer Wiederhold presented the Treasurer's report. Total monies in all accounts are \$3,758,210.36. Motion by Seegert and supported by Strahan to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Pay Bills: Clerk Goodin presented checks. Check #34486 has been voided due to a duplicated check. Motion by Seegert and supported by Lucarelli to pay checks #34477-#34521 in the amount of \$167,964.63. Motion carried.

Fire Report:

31 calls in the month of September.

25 rescues	3 assist
2 service	1 standby

21 calls in the township, 6 in the city and 4 mutual aid calls.

New Business:

- a) GEM Holding Land Combination– Motion by Lucarelli and supported by Seegert to approve the land combination for GEM Holding Company, LLC (parcel #s 14-114-019-00 & #14-114-017-00). Motion carried.
- b) Appeal of MPSC's Order-Foster Swift – Kevon Martis introduced himself and provided a brief bio. He has been involved with various jurisdictions in Lenawee County and has dealt with renewable energy issues. He has been actively working with Michael Homier of Foster Swift in challenging the Michigan Public Service Commission's recent order regarding Public Act 233 of 2023. Several residents spoke in opposition of allowing renewable energy facilities in our township. Motion by Lucarelli and supported by Seegert to authorize the township attorney to file an appeal or other appropriate legal action to challenge the MPSC's October 10, 2024 Order concerning PA 233. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.
- c) Consumer Energy Franchise Agreement Renewal – Motion by Goodin and supported by Strahan to approve ordinance #2024-005 Consumers Energy Company Electric Franchise Ordinance as presented. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.
- d) Ida West Road Farm Lease – Motion by Goodin and supported by Strahan to seek sealed bids for the farmland lease for the 2025, 2026 and 2027 growing season. Bids are to be returned by 11:00 a.m. on Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

- e) Precision Irrigation & Lawn Care Contract – Motion by Seegert and supported by Strahan to approve the proposal from Precision Irrigation & Lawn Care Inc. for local roadside mowing at the following costs: 2025-\$23,400, 2026-\$24,469 and 2027-\$25,447. This will include two mowing's each year on local roads. First mowing will consist of edge of road to bottom of ditch. Second mowing will consist of front and backside ditches wherever possible up to 21". Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Public Comments:

Tom Harbaugh inquired about the status of a blight complaint.

Reports:

Clerk Goodin stated early voting begins October 26<sup>th</sup> and will continue for nine consecutive days. Trick or Treating is on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00pm-7:30pm.

Trustee Seegert stated he plans on attending the River Raisin Watershed meeting this week.

Trustee Strahan thanked the audience for attending the meeting.

Motion by Strahan and supported by Seegert to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Unapproved

Respectfully Submitted:

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Trudy Goodin, Clerk