SUMMERFIELD TOWNSHIP

June 20, 2022 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, Seegert, Strahan, Goodin and Lucarelli were present.

Motion by Lucarelli and supported by Strahan to approve the agenda with the addition of a) budget and f) MTA dues. Motion carried.

Motion by Lucarelli and supported by Strahan to approve the May 16, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Wiederhold

Received \$2,000 for D&P Cable's site plan. Received \$1,733.35 from D&P Communications for franchise fees. Received monies from the Monroe County Treasurer for 2021 delinquent taxes. This included \$9,982.73 for fire and \$9,982.73 for roads. The 2022 summer tax bills will be mailed out soon. Total monies in all accounts - \$2,891,930.77. Motion by Goodin and supported by Seegert to accept Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

<u>Pay Bills:</u> Clerk Goodin presented checks. Check #33289 made payable to Buck & Knobby for \$566.84 will be voided and rewritten for \$556.84. Motion by Seegert and supported by Strahan to pay checks #33268-#33312 in the amount of \$44,247.58. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Fire Report:

33 calls in the month of May.

21 rescues 3 assist
4 fire 5 service
21 calls in the township, 9 in the city and 3 mutual aid

Chief Lucas stated that he received one quote for hose, but is working on obtaining another. Will get bids on replacing sidewalk at Fire Hall. Community Days will be held July 8th and 9th.

New Business:

Budget - Motion by Goodin and supported by Seegert to approve the 2021-2022 budget amendments and the 2022-2023 budget as presented. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Postage machine – Motion by Wiederhold and supported by Goodin to lease a Pitney Bowes postage machine at a quarterly rate of \$279.69. Postage will be at a reduced rate and \$1,000 will be reimbursed by the election security grant. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

D&P Amended Site Plan – Motion by Lucarelli and supported by Seegert to approve the D&P amended site plan with the contingencies recommended by Planning Commission that it is subject to review by an inspector or engineer licensed for commercial structures. Motion carried.

Murdock Land Split-Ida West Road – Motion by Seegert and supported by Goodin to approve the land split for parcel #14-035-053-00 (address 16274 Ida West Road) owned by Gary and Barbara Murdock. There will be a total of four splits. Motion carried.

Linda Diesing-ZBA Reappointment – Motion by Strahan and supported by Seegert to reappoint Linda Diesing for another three-year term on the Zoning Board of Appeals expiring in June of 2025. Motion carried. Motion by Goodin and supported by Seegert to appoint Gary Missler as an alternate on the ZBA board. Motion carried.

Carrie Koraleski-Rec Board Reappointment – Motion by Goodin and supported by Strahan to reappoint Carrie Koraleski for another three-year term on the Recreation Board expiring in June of 2025. Motion carried.

Library Operating Increase – Clerk Goodin is on the library board and requested an operating increase of ten percent due to the cost of inflation. Also, there hasn't been an increase since the board was established. The current cost is \$3375 per quarter. The City of Petersburg passed the increase contingent upon the township passing it. Motion by Seegert and supported by Strahan to approve a ten percent increase for the library operating fund. The new cost will be in effect beginning next quarter and will be \$3,712/quarter. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

MTA membership – Motion by Seegert and supported by Goodin to pay the Michigan Township Association dues at a cost of \$3,126.34 with no additional fees added. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Public Comments:

Amy Reiter stated her road was recently grated and due to the amount of dust, wanted to know when will chloride be applied. Supervisor Lucarelli stated it is supposed to be the first or second week of July, but will reach out to MCRC and see if it can be done sooner. She also asked why Todd Roach was paid for inspections. He is filling in while Inspector Lange recovers from recent surgery. Amy questioned the DTE street light bills. Most of them are for the emergency towers throughout the township.

Phillip Iott inquired about splitting his house off of his existing property and taking it out of PA116. It was recommended that he speak with Assessor Haddix.

Gary Missler stated the Pleasant View Cemetery entrance drive across from Stevens Disposal may have a drain that is plugged.

Kay Cichon asked about flashing stop signs. Supervisor Lucarelli stated that the Monroe County Road Commission put in a request for signs on Summerfield Road at the Ida West intersection and two other locations.

Sheriff Goodnough was in attendance and gave a yearly report. There is going to be increased police visibility in our area.

Reports:

Clerk: Goodin

Provided the board with a salary comparison of similar townships in Monroe County. Read two thank you notes received recently. One was in regards to the cleaning up of old bushes in our cemetery (thank you Irv Cilley) and the other was a thank you to myself and our Sexton David Kottke for a recent cremation burial held at Pleasant View.

Supervisor: Lucarelli

Assistant Assessor Lieb shared pricing of what other townships charge for land splits. Due to the amount of work involved, we need to consider raising our rates.

Motion by Strahan to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Support by Seegert. Motion carried.

Approved
Respectfully Submitted:
Trudy Goodin, Clerk