

PARMA TOWNSHIP
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PARMA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING
September 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chamberlain in the Township Hall, 16407 Comdon Road Albion, Michigan. The pledge to the flag followed. Present: Supervisor Chamberlain, Treasurer Dermyer, Clerk Stanham, Trustee Harris, Trustee Mohny, Deputy Clerk Mathias, Kyle O'Meara from Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC, and several observers.

Chamberlain moved Harris seconded, carried at 7:02pm to go into closed session under MCL 15.268(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to discuss a confidential written legal opinion from the Township Attorney regarding Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan Review processes. Chamberlain yes, Harris yes, Dermyer yes, Stanham yes, Mohny yes.

Harris moved Mohny seconded, carried at 7:48pm to end closed session and resume the open portion of the Parma Township Board Meeting. Harris yes, Mohny yes, Dermyer yes, Stanham yes, Chamberlain yes.

Deputy Caroffino was not in attendance.

June 14, 2021 Regular Board meeting minutes were entered into the records as presented.

July 7, 2021 and August 4, 2021 Planning Commission meeting minutes were entered into the records as presented.

August 4, 2021 Special Board meeting minutes were entered into the records as presented.

September 2, 2021 Special Board meeting minutes were entered into the records as presented.

Dermyer gave the treasurers report. Fund balances as of August 31, 2021 are as follows: General \$92,048.99, Water \$85,281.17 and Southern MI Bank & Trust \$165,010.17. June and July treasurers' reports were put in board members packets. Treasurer Dermyer is currently looking around at CD rates. Summer Tax Day is September 14, 2021 and the township office will be open 8am-5pm. Tax payments after 5pm September 14, 2021 will be assessed a 1% late fee through the end of the month.

Keith Mohny gave the fire report. Total calls for August 81 runs. There have been 582 runs in 2021 already, on track to set another record for runs again this year. The chief got a request to look at roofing redo versus a new roof for the fire station, and is looking into options. The parking lot of the fire station has a sinking area and cracked asphalt, a quote was received and the station is looking into options. The PSFD sold the 1991 GMC for \$9,500.00

Mohney moved Harris seconded, motion carried that the Parma Township 1/3 share from the sale of the 1991 GMC be left in the Parma Sandstone fire fund. Mohney yes, Harris yes, Stanham yes, Dermeyer yes, Chamberlain yes.

Chamberlain reported in the water department that a system survey was done. 5 (five) year Capital Improvement plan and a 20 (twenty) year Capital Improvement plan will be needed. Water bills had been sent out and are due by September 15, 2021 at 4pm without penalty.

Keith Mohney reported on the Planning Commission regular meeting from July 7, 2021 and the special meeting from August 4, 2021. Planning Commission chairman Zuck suggested at July meeting that the Board do research to discuss possible Conditional Use Permits for home occupation regarding Medical Marihuana Caregivers.

Stanham reported the inspections for June, July, and August 2021. There were 5 zoning, 5 mechanical, 1 mechanical plan review, 4 plumbing, 10 electrical inspections, 1 electrical plan reviews, 21 building inspections, and 4 building plan reviews.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Parma Township FALL CLEANUP DAY is scheduled for Saturday September 25, 2021 from 9am-1pm at the Township Hall 16407 Comdon Rd.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chamberlain postponed appointing construction board of review members due to no applicants, noting that the construction board members should be knowledgeable of trade. 4 members to include 1 electrical, 1 mechanical, 1 plumbing, and 1 building.

NEW BUSINESS:

Following recommendation from the Planning Commission to the Township Board, Chamberlain moved Mohney seconded, motion carried that a Resolution be approved for additional wildlife right of way along the Rice Creek corridor with approval from the Drain Commissioner and DNR. Chamberlain yes, Mohney yes, Harris yes, Stanham yes, Dermeyer yes.

Supervisor Chamberlain and Clerk Stanham will work together on deciding a date, time, and location for the next Township Public Hearing before the next regularly scheduled Township Board meeting held on December 13, 2021. They will work together on mailings for residents within 300ft of proposed project.

Decision to adopt a fee for Zoning Compliance Solar will be moved to Old Business for the December 2021 Regular Board meeting.

Chamberlain moved Mohney seconded, motion carried to adopt a set fee for Public Zoning Amendment Request at \$1,500. Chamberlain yes, Mohney yes, Harris yes, Stanham yes, Dermeyer yes.

Chamberlain moved Mohny seconded, to cap Large Solar Projects in Parma Township at 2 (two) to preserve Agriculture.

Township legal council Kyle O'Meara from FSBR provided information to the Board regarding a cap on Large Solar Projects within Parma Township.

With the information provided Mohny rescinded his second, Chamberlain rescinded her motion to cap Large Solar Projects within Parma Township.

Harris moved Dermyer seconded, motion carried to allow the Clerk to make the necessary budget amendments through December 31,2021. Harris yes, Dermyer yes, Mohny yes, Stanham yes, Chamberlain yes.

Dermyer moved Mohny seconded, motion carried to pay the bills as presented and all routine ones that occur on or before December 31, 2021. Dermyer yes, Mohny yes, Harris yes, Stanham yes, Chamberlain yes.

Dermyer moved Chamberlain seconded, motion carried to allow Clerk Stanham and Deputy Clerk Mathias to attend the Clerks Professional Development Retreat on October 13-14, 2021 not to exceed \$500 per person. Dermyer yes, Chamberlain yes, Stanham yes, Mohny yes, Harris yes.

Chamberlain moved Dermyer seconded, motion carried to allow Clerk Stanham, Trustee Harris, and planning chairperson Zuck to attend the Planning & Zoning Professional Development Retreat on October 27-28, 2021 not to exceed \$500 per person. Chamberlain yes, Dermyer yes, Stanham yes, Harris yes, Mohny yes.

State Representative Julie Alexander was in the audience and provided her phone number to all with any questions or concerns. (517)740-9982.

Public comments were made by Ben Adamich from National Grid Renewables (Jackson County Solar) and township resident Scott Penrod.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Submitted,

Sarah Stanham, Clerk

By Stacia Mathias, Deputy Clerk