

Sidney Township Board Minutes
August 1, 2022

The Sidney Township Board meeting held at the Sidney Township Hall at 3019 S Grow Road Sidney, Michigan on August 1, 2022 was called to order by Supervisor Peterman at 7:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: Supervisor: Terry Peterman, Clerk: Carrie Wills, Treasurer: Corinda Stover, Trustees: Ray Leyrer, Erik Benko

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Leyrer and seconded by Wills to approve the agenda Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Leyrer and seconded by Stover to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no citizen comments at this time

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk:

Wills asked for a motion to appoint election inspectors for the August 2, 2022 primary election:

A motion was made by Stover and seconded by Leyrer to appoint the following people as election inspectors for the primary election on August 2, 2022: Marilyn Thomsen, Betty Wakefield, Lynette Peterman, Chip Krieger, Dave Cooper, Shay Cooper and Carrie Wills. Motion carried.

Supervisor

Supervisor Peterman thanked everyone who helped with improvements to the park. Their work was greatly appreciated. Although workers were all volunteers, Peterman asked that the board reimburse Kenny Miller \$30 for gas. He used his tractor to level all the mulch for the playground area.

A motion was made by Leyrer and seconded by Wills to pay Kenny \$30 for the cost of gas. Motion carried.

The fire department has received the air tanks. Sheridan has been paid but Stanton has not yet been billed.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

None

REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Stover gave the treasurer's report. Current checkbook balance is \$297611.41

She is keeping separate spread sheets for funds being used for park improvements and funds for the Covid Relief Fund.

A motion was made by Leyrer and seconded by Wills to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Wills presented a list of expenses for the month. Total expenses reported was \$13,290.43.

Included in the report were checks for election inspectors.

A motion was made by Stover and seconded by Leyrer to approve the Clerk's report and pay the monthly expenses. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Planning Commission will meet on September 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sidney Township Hall. The public hearing for the short-term rental ordinance will be conducted at that meeting,

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

County Commissioner Petersen gave an update on county business. The board has been working on annual budgets and reviewing applications from organizations asking for funds from the Covid Relief Funds. Next meeting is August 8, 2022 at 4:00 in the commissioners room of the administrative building. They will be discussing junk ordinances and how to enforce them.

ZONING REPORT:

Dale was unable to attend the meeting, Property on the corner of Holland Road and Hansen road has junk trailers that need to be removed; home on Sheridan Road has two weeks to clean up the mess or move out, and the burnout on Sidney Road is being worked on.

OLD BUSINESS

Local Covid Funds-Addition to Building

Notices need to be mailed or advertised asking for bids for the new addition. Nothing new at this time

Trash Service

No change.

Website

Leyrer reported that MCC is not able to help us build a website as they don't have the classes required for that type of work. He will continue to check into it. Pierson Township has used WICKS to create their website.

Park Improvements

The board discussed which park improvements to proceed with so that work can continue without having to take action at every meeting.

A motion was made by Stover and seconded by Wills to approve the following improvements no to exceed \$20,000: repair the damaged portion of the fence, repair the roof on the North pavilion, order the wooden monster truck for the playground, install the new entry gates and check into using the basketball court for basketball and for a pickle ball court. Motion carried.

Stover would also like ideas on some type of memorial marker to recognize donations made in memory of Sidney Township residents.

Right of Way for Winn Telephone Co dba Winn Telecom

An easement was presented to the board at the July 2022 meeting for telecommunication purposes for Winn Telephone Co. Benko went through the easement and found that it was written to protect the township's interests.

A motion was made by Benko and seconded by Stover to approve the application for a right of way to Winn Telephone Co dba Winn Telecom. Motion carried.

Resolution for Debt Service, Sidney Township Sewer District

Todd Sattler, Montcalm County Drain Commissioner attended the July 2022 meeting to discuss adding a debt service fee to the semi-annual operation and maintenance bills for the Sidney Sewer District to cover shortages that are forthcoming on the bond payments.

A motion was made by Wills and seconded by Stover to approve Resolution 2022-03 to adopt a debt service fee to cover the Shortage of Interest on the bond for the Sidney Township Sewer District.

Roll Call Vote:

Peterman: Yes Leyrer: Yes Stover: Yes Wills: Yes Benko: Yes

Motion carried.,

NEW BUSINESS:

MTA meeting is scheduled for August 16 at 6:00 p.m. at the Douglass Township Hall.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ron Kent commented on the detour caused by the road closure on Sidney Road East of the College. He wondered if the road commission could do an early chloride treatment or grading as the detour has caused a huge increase in traffic on those back roads. Terry will talk to Mark Christensen about the problem.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Stover and seconded by Wills to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Carrie Wills
Clerk

SIDNEY TOWNSHIP AGENDA
3019 S. GROW RD SIDNEY, MI 48885
Aug 1, 2022 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER: Peterman
 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
 4. **Citizens Comments regarding agenda topics only-Limit 3 min statement**

5. CORRESPONDENCE:
 - A. CLERK
 - B. SUPERVISOR

5. GUEST SPEAKER:

6. REPORTS: (Discussion/Approval)
 - A. TREASURER-Corinda
 - B. CLERK-Carrie
 - C. PLANNING-Ray
 - D. COMMISSIONER-Adam
 - E. ZONING-Dale

7. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. Addition to building
 - B. Trash Service interest (up to 10 yes/4 maybe-No change)
 - C. Website update
 - D. Park improvements
 - E. Easement approval-Winn
 - F. Resolution for sewer

8. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. MTA meeting- Aug 16

9. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS- Limit to 3 min per person-**Be respectful please
State your name & Township**

10. ADJOURNMENT

Thank you for silencing your phones and not interrupting the meeting.

SIDNEY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

August 1, 2022

EXPENSES FROM JULY 12, 2022 - AUGUST 1, 2022

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
7/31/2022	epay	United States Treasury	Federal Tax Withholding	-\$857.90
07/18/2022	12822	Larry Jensen	Wood chips for the playground at the park	-\$1,500.00
07/26/2022	12823	Arrow Swift	Stamped Envelopes for Treasurer and Clerk	-\$4,538.43
07/26/2022	12824	Frontier	Internet and Phone Service	-\$168.52
07/26/2022	12825	BS&A	Tax Service Support Aug 22-Aug 23	-\$573.00
07/26/2022	12826	Yvonne Niwsonger	Assisted with Public Testing of Election Machines	-\$30.00
08/01/2022	12827	Erik Benko	Wages	-\$153.92
08/01/2022	12828	Laura M Thompson	Wages	-\$100.00
08/01/2022	12829	Ray Leyrer	Wages	-\$153.92
08/01/2022	12830	Terry L Peterman	Wages	-\$792.67
08/01/2022	12831	Carrie L Wills	Wages	-\$809.50
08/01/2022	12832	Corinda Stover	Wages	-\$1,106.33
08/01/2022	12833	Dale Main	Wages	-\$369.40
08/01/2022	12835	spectrum Printers, Inc	Election ballots, envelopes etc Invoice #71317	-432.84
07/30/2022	12836	Betty Wakefield	Election Inspector Primary Election Aug 2, 2022	-225.00
07/30/2022	12837	Lynette Peterman	Election Inspector Primary Election Aug 2, 2022	-225.00
07/30/2022	12838	Marilyn Thomsen	Election Inspector Primary Election Aug 2, 2022	-225.00
07/30/2022	12840	Leroy Krieger	Election Inspector Primary Election Aug 2, 2022	-225.00
07/30/2022	12841	Dave Cooper	Election Inspector Primary Election Aug 2, 2022	-225.00
07/30/2022	12842	Shay Cooper	Election Inspector Primary Election Aug 2, 2022	-225.00
08/01/2022	12843	Carrie L Wills	Election Inspector Primary Election Aug 2, 2022	-225.00
08/01/2022	12844	Dale Main	Zoning, Splits, Mileage and Postage	<u>-129.00</u>
	Total			-\$13,290.43

ZONING REPORT Meeting

2022 AUG

Address:	4995 W Colby Rd
	Junk in yard
Date of complaint	9-13-21
Date of letter sent	12-21
Any action/improvement	
Dec 2021 Mtg	sent letter
Jan 2022 Mtg	nothing new
Feb 2022 Mtg	No report
Mar 2022 Mtg	No report
April 22 Mtg	letter didn't get out
May 2022 mtg	sending another letter
June 22 mtg	Ticket \$50
July 22 Mtg	
Aug 22 Mtg	
Address:	5014 W Muskrat Rd
	vehicles
Date of complaint	5-2022
JUNE 22 mtg	letter sent-checking on
July 22 Mtg	
Aug 22 Mtg	
Address:	Holland/Hansen Rd
Date of complaint:	7-22-22
June Mtg	N/A
July Mtg	N/A
Aug Mtg	

Burnt house-Sidney Rd	1390 S Sheridan Rd
has crew coming in	Repeat-Rats into neighbors yd
	6/27/2022
	Corinda called Health Dept
	condemned-will call back
	2014
	<i>2wks to modern cleanup.</i>
Has until Aug 2022	
lumber issues	
Address:	4119 W Muskrat Rd
	vehicles/trash/building permit
Date of complaint	5-11-22
JUNE 22 mtg	letter sent 5/31
July 22 Mtg	
Aug 22 Mtg	
Address:	113 Maple St
	Rooster
Date of complaint:	7-22-22
June Mtg	N/A
July Mtg	N/A
Aug Mtg	

Mowing issue
1531 W Stanton
5476 S Derby Rd
2700 Nevins

mills + Muskrat -

TOWNSHIP BOARD
SIDNEY TOWNSHIP
MONTCALM COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION 2022-03

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A DEBT SERVICE FEE
TO COVER THE SHORTAGE OF INTEREST ON THE BOND
FOR THE SIDNEY TOWNSHIP SEWER DISTRICT

Motion by Wills supported by Stover to approve the following resolution:

To adopt by roll call vote of the governing body of Sidney Township a resolution to assess a debt service fee to all residents connected to the Sidney Township Sewer System for the purpose of collecting funds to cover any shortage of interest on the bond for the sewer district.

Because of miscalculations and early payoffs of some of the special assessments there will be a shortage of funds in the account to make the scheduled semi-annual payments and to pay the bond off in full.

The amount of the debt service is currently estimated to be between \$24 to \$36 per year and will be added to the Operation and Maintenance bills sent out in April and October each year. The amount of the fees will be flexible and will be adjusted as needed. This will be determined by the balance of funds within the bond account and the forecasted revenue of the upcoming year. Any changes in the amount of the fees will be approved by the Sewer Advisory Committee and referred to the Township Board for final approval.

The vote in favor of the resolution being as follows:

YEAS: Peterman, Leyrer, Benko, Stover, Wills

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Resolution declared adopted.

Dated: August 1, 2022

CERTIFICATION

As the Township Clerk, for Sidney Township, Montcalm County, Michigan, I certify that this a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of Sidney Township at its Regular Board meeting of August 1, 2022.

Date: August 1, 2022

Carrie Wills, Clerk
Carrie Wills