

Sidney Township
Minutes
August 2, 2021

The Sidney Township Board meeting held at Sidney Township Hall, 3019 S Grow Road, Sidney, Michigan on August 2, 2021 was called to order by Supervisor Peterman at 7:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: Supervisor: Terry Peterman, Treasurer: Corinda Stover, Clerk: Carrie Wills, Trustees: Jed Welder and Ray Leyrer

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Leyrer and seconded by Wills to approve the agenda as amended adding MTA under Old Business. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Leyrer and seconded by Stover to approve the minutes from the July 5, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk:

Wills reported that a card was received from Tony and Jill Hansen thanking the board for passing the wind energy ordinance.

Supervisor

Peterman responded to a comment that was posted on the neighborhood watch website. He informed everyone that the incident posted never happened.

Peterman also commented that he would like to have a contractor lay cement in the new section of the cemetery for headstone placement. The township will pay for the work done and would charge a portion back to each gravesite that is sold in that section. He will get bids for the cost.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Laura Engel stated that she hoped the conflict over the use of wind energy doesn't continue to tear the community apart. Historically differences of opinions have always worked out.

REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Stover gave the Treasurer's report. Current checkbook balance is \$171,999.67.

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

CLERK'S REPORT:

Wills presented a list of expenses for the month. Total expenses reported was \$21,963.53

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:

Leyrer reported that the next planning commission meeting will be September 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. He pointed out some corrections that are needed on documents that are posted on the township website.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

County Commissioner, Adam Petersen, gave an update on county business. Budget meetings are nearly done. Sheriff Williams announced at the meeting that the sheriff department has not taken a stance concerning the wind energy question in our county.

ZONING REPORT:

Dale absent. Sidney Rd, was issued a building permit. Carlson Rd, prop sold so can be removed from list of complaints. Corner of Derby & County Farm Rds has new owners who are cleaning up the lot.

OLD BUSINESS:

MTA

MTA dinner is August 17. Four members plan to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

Campers

A complaint has been filed concerning campers parked in the street blocking access to the park entrances in Gracie Acres and neighbors claiming to own the property that has been dedicated as parks. Question was asked whether or not to limit the length of time campers can be allowed.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Bruce Jorgensen reported that he has had several complaints from property owners that live next door to the various rental homes on Derby Lake. Renters have barking dogs, loud parties, and are using neighboring docks. Is there a short-term rental ordinance?

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Stover and seconded by Leyrer to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.
Motion carried.

Carrie Wills
Clerk