

Sidney Township
Minutes
October 10, 2019

Supervisor Peterman called the Sidney Township Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Peterman, Leyrer, Stover, Wills, Welder

AGENDA .

Motion was made by Wills and seconded by Welder to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Leyrer and seconded by Stover to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk:

Wills had no new correspondence.

Supervisor:

Peterman reported that the fire truck should be done in a couple of weeks. There were some unforeseen problems that came up but they are being taken care of. Peterman thanked Dave Cooper for helping him and Ray put in corner markers at the cemetery.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:

A report was presented by Deputy Ingraham from the Sheriff's Department. (There was no written report). He reported that there was a head-on collision with one fatality and a couple of attempted break-ins.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

None

REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Stover remarked Derby Lake will keep their weed assessment amounts the same this year. (\$100)
Nevins will be raising theirs to \$80 for a front lot and \$40 for a back lot.

A motion was made by Wills and seconded by Leyrer to approve the weed control rates, Motion carried.

There is a balance of \$61,650.28 in the checking account.

A motion was made by Wills and seconded by Welder to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Wills presented a list of the check disbursements to be approved. Total expenses were \$22,263.27.

A motion was made by Stover and, seconded by Welder to accept the report and approve payment of the expenses. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Next meeting is December 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

Commissioner Petersen gave an update on county business. The county budget was approved leaving only about \$35,000-\$40,000 surplus. Spraying for mosquitos was done last night in Eureka, Montcalm and Pierson Townships to help stop the spread of the EEE disease. The board will meet next Tuesday instead of Monday as that is Columbus Day.

ZONING REPORT:

Dale updated the board on the status of the zoning complaints. Three new complaints have been received. A ticket will be sent to the junk yard as nothing has been done to remove the fence. Removal of a burn out should start soon and construction has been started on another burn out site. A couple of locations will have another letter sent and one location was not allowed to rebuild on the same site as there is no foundation, however he can replace the home with a double wide.

OLD BUSINESS:Sewer Update

The Drain Office is still working on putting together figures for the transfer. No meeting has been scheduled with the schools and the agreement has not yet been approved.

NEW BUSINESS:Wind Farms

Welder and Peterman attended a meeting today on future use of wind farms in the county. Mark from the Road Commission said one thing to consider will be keeping the roads maintained from the extra traffic and heavy loads.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

There was concern voiced about a trailer that has been used as a weekend residence in Goodell's Grove and discussion about draining the holding tank from the camper into the sanitary sewer through the cleanout. The ordinance regarding the use of trailers needs to be looked at again as well as checking the sewer ordinance for any restrictions on dumping holding tanks into the sewer.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Stover and seconded by Welder to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Carrie Wills
Clerk