

BURR OAK TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

August 2, 2021

6:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: G. Letts, M. Gould, R. Baker (15 minutes late), M. Perry, J. J. Wells

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

VISITORS: Lance Thornton, Township Attorney, Mark Federlick and Diane Markus. There were also approximately 25 additional people attending that live in the Lafayette and Sweet Lake Road area with concerns.

ROLL CALL: Roll call was taken and all Board members were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: M. Gould made a motion to approve the agenda with M. Perry supporting. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: G. Letts made a motion to approve the July 12th, 2021 Board Meeting minutes with M. Gould supporting. Roll call was taken and the minutes were approved. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: Diane Markus spoke for the Group attending and addressed their concerns of happenings in the neighborhood at 67890 Sweet Lake Road; white pickup truck with garbage in the back sits on property, garbage on the roof of the home and behind the barn, gunshots and squealing of tires, loud music playing most nights, litter and debris on site along with unlicensed vehicles. They must have a scanner on site because when the neighbors call the Sheriff's department, for assistance, by the time they get to the property, the music is turned down and all is well. They would like the township to do something to help them, if possible. Supervisor Letts explained that the Board does not have a lot of recourse in issues of this matter, it really is a Health Department and Law Enforcement issue. The Board will also contact their zoning enforcement people and have them look into these issues. The property was condemned in 2013 which has not been lifted. What happens, according to our attorney, is the health dept. is quick to slap a condemnation sign on the home and never follows up on it or enforces it.

Mark Federlick was present to ask what could be done about the small piece of property he owns on Little Fish Lake. He would like his relatives to be able to keep their camper there for 21 days in the summer and then take it back to Chicago to store it in the winter. It was suggested he contact Safe Built and have them give him suggestions on how to handle the situation following zoning requirements.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

TREASURER'S REPORT:

\$	2,552.04	Checking
\$	52,644.92	Money Market
\$	55,196.96	Total

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Cemetery Chapel (Metal Roof Bids) G. Letts made the motion we go with a bid from Jason Hochstetler for \$5,500 and which also includes taking the balance of the chimney down and patching the roof. R. Baker supported, Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Audit, due September 21, is done per M. Gould.

American Rescue Plan Status; all of our paperwork is sent in to apply for the \$192,000 of Federal COVID Grant monies.

Fire Department Truck Bay Status-nothing new/possibly we can use some of the Federal Grant money

Proposed Licensing Ordinance Status: David Eberle has a scheduled progress call tomorrow with Supervisor Letts and Board Attorney Thornton.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cemetery: looking for truck Is still in the works.

Fire Department – The Heritage Festival was extremely successful for the fire department. They netted \$2,200.00 after payouts.

Planning Board: Their next meeting is October 18, 2021.

Ambulance Committee: Met July 22nd and signed a 1year contract.

Legal Updates: Wednesday, there are 2 show cause hearings for Gephardt and Michaelsen.

Payment of Bills \$18,493.72 R. Baker made a motion to pay the bills with M. Perry supporting. Roll Call vote carried.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM and the next meeting will be September 13, 2021 at 6:00 PM.

Jacquilyn Wells

Burr Oak Township Clerk