

**OSCODA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
08-13-2012**

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Baier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – All said the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL – Present: Ms. McGuire, Mr. Baier, Ms. Carrasco, Mr. Hinckley, Mr. Ballor, Mr. Binkowski, Mr. Althaver

AGENDA ADDITONS –None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

PRESENTATION - Recognizing Service and Retirement of Police Officer Daniel Rousseau

CONSENT AGENDA – Approval of Minutes, Finance in the amount of \$225,642.53 and Reports. Mr. Hinckley supported a motion by Ms. Carrasco to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with a correction to the Minutes.

ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

RCL Construction Pay Request – Mr. Ballor supported a motion by Mr. Binkowski to authorize the third payment for the pier construction in the amount of \$191,241.12.

ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

Parks Library Employment Recommendation– Ms. Carrasco supported a motion by Ms. McGuire to accept the recommendation to hire Rosemary Nentwig as the new library employee. ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

Old Orchard Park Operation Improvements – Mr. Althaver supported a motion by Mr. Binkowski to authorize changing the deposit amounts on seasonal lots from \$100.00 to one third down, offer a deposit program for monthly modern sites, and make all transient sites reservable. ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

Property & Liability Insurance Renewal/Rebidding – Postpone until questions are investigated.

MLGMA Workshop Follow- up – Informational only

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Phoenix Composite CDBG Amendment #2 – Mr. Hinckley supported a motion by Ms. McGuire to authorize and allow the Superintendent to execute the Amendment #2 document. ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

MDOT Contract Amendment – Mr. Ballor supported a motion by Mr. Hinckley to reapprove (amendment was approved originally at the July 23 meeting) the amendment identified as Contract #12-5325 and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the documents. ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution No. 2012-15 Re: Consumers Energy Standard Streetlight Contract US-23 Streetscape Electric Services – Ms. McGuire supported a motion by Ms. Carrasco to approve and adopt the resolution as presented. ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

OTHER

Commentary – (The following is a synopsis of a commentary made to the Board and community by Supervisor Baier):

- a. There has been an issue with a family group of people that we have had some conflicts with over recent times. There has been a costly legal battle over blight using taxpayer money.
- b. There has been a gate erected across a section line road by this family group blocking access to the property of others. More taxpayer money was used in court proceedings regarding the gate.
- c. The police department was still using the wrecker services of this group of people during these conflicts.
- d. Members of the Township personnel and their families were threatened with great bodily harm and by stating “We’re going to take these two guys out. It’s over.” by members of this family group.
- f. We should end the use of this family group’s wrecker service by our police department.

Police Department Service Providers - Mr. Binkowski supported a motion by Mr. Hinckley to suspend services with any person(s) or business the Township is in litigation with until litigation is settled, to go into effect immediately, and to revisit this subject at a future work session to form a formal policy. ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

Public Comments – None

Board and Staff Comments –Ms. Carrasco re: absentee ballots are available for the upcoming election; Mr. Althaver re: offer the family that had issues with Old Orchard Park a good faith offering.

Enter Closed Session – Mr. Hinckley supported a motion by Ms. McGuire to enter into closed session to consider collective bargaining strategy at 8:20 p.m.
ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

Exit Closed Session – Mr. Hinckley supported a motion by Mr. Binkowski to exit closed session at 8:52 p.m. ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

Phoenix Composite CDBG Payment – Mr. Binkowski supported a motion by Mr. Hinckley to issue the grant check to Phoenix Composite in the amount of \$215,971.85.
ALL YEAS-MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Baier moved to adjourn at 9:01p.m.

Christine Carrasco
Township Clerk

James Baier
Township Supervisor

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