

**Middlebury Township Board  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, November 12, 2009, 7:00 p.m.  
Ovid Municipal Building  
114 East Front Street, Ovid, Michigan 48866**

**Minutes**

Supervisor Anthony Sinicropi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a Pledge to the Flag and a prayer led by Trustee Paul Dutton.

**Call To Order**

Supervisor Sinicropi wanted to speak to P. Dutton regarding his statement made at an OMESA meeting.

Stevens spoke to P. dutton regarding the grant he applied for verses the grant that Mark Cooley, OMESA attorney, applied. Stevens presented the Resolution 2009-07, Support of OMESA which he and the board had voted in favor.

P. Dutton defended his statements from the OMESA meeting and restated his reason for leaving the OMESA board.

**Members Present:** Supervisor Anthony Sinicropi, Clerk Susan Tomasek-Swan, Treasurer Carolyn Stevens, Trustee Erin Dutton and Trustee Paul Dutton.

**Roll Call**

**Guest Present:** Twenty-seven guests were present including Deputy Richard Semans.

**Scheduled Comments:**

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David Lazar introduced himself to the board as running for the State Representative since Rep. Richard Ball's term is ending in 2010. He stated his platform of being conservative on three topics of Christ, natural families and the abortion issue.

Steve Loomis from the Shiawassee Sherriff Department updated the board on activity in Middlebury. He stated everything was going well.

Dan Stewart arrived later in the meeting and updated the board on the activity occurring at the county level. Included in his updates were the Rails to trails and Veteran's services.

Comments were made regarding the OMESA issue through out the meeting.....

**Public Comments**

**Moved by Stevens, seconded by P.Dutton, to approve the agenda with the addition of (c)hall updates (d) new bids for opening/ closing graves. Deletion of (a) OMESA amendments of the Articles of Incorporations.**

**Motion to Approve Agenda**

**AYE: P. Dutton, E. Dutton, Stevens, Tomasek-Swan, Sinicropi**

NO: none

CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVED

Moved by E. Dutton, seconded by P. Dutton to approve the minutes From October 8, 2009 regular township board meeting with corrections.

Minutes Approved  
October 8,2009

AYE: P. Dutton, E. Dutton, Stevens, Tomasek-Swan, Sinicropi  
NO: none CARRIED

Moved by Sinicropi and seconded by E. Dutton to approve the November's Treasurer's report as presented.

Treasurer's Report Approved

AYE: P. Dutton, E. Dutton, Stevens, Tomasek-Swan, Sinicropi  
NO: none CARRIED

Moved by P. Dutton and seconded by Sinicropi to pay bills in with checks numbered 2477-2494 in the amount of \$17,827.91.

Bills Payment Approved

AYE: P. Dutton, E. Dutton, Stevens, Tomasek-Swan, Sinicropi  
NO: none CARRIED

The Board was reminded of the annual Shiawasee MTA dinner with Middlebury Township Board hosting the event.

Communications

Expense vouchers are due the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month.

Clerk Tomasek-Swan read the letter sent from the Ovid Township board. to the Middlebury, Village of Ovid and the OMESA boards. There were comments on what Ovid Township intended with the wording of the letter. Mark Cooley spoke on the situation. Other guest spoke on the topic. Deputy Supervisor Dick Seman took the opportunity to update the board on OMESA. There are some issues with the fiances. The OMESA board is investigating all possibilities in the construction of the building. Dick stated he has tried to contact Mr. McClelland but has not had any responses.

Bill Kline reminded everyone about building the high school and junior high buildings and the issues the communities had.

Reviewed other cemeteries on their fees for different services. The fees for Middlebury Services were comparable.

Unfinished Business

The sexton list of duties was table until Stevens, Tribfelner and Tomasek-Swan could compile the information.

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Stevens made a motion to have Supervisor Sinicropi approach Lynn Bowen and retain him as the township's attorney.

Hiring of an Attorney  
Motion

AYE: P. Dutton, E. Dutton, Stevens, Tomasek-Swan, Sinicropi  
NO: none CARRIED

Sinicropi spoke to Dave Chrenka regarding a weed control ordinance and found that anyone on the township board could enforce an ordinance. P. Dutton spoke on ordinances and zoning. Discussion was tabled.

Middlebury Township will be losing 4% of its revenue sharing for next year.

Sinicropi stated he would attend the FEMA meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm.

**New Business**

Doug Krebhiel updated the board on the installation of the new furnace. A gas leak was discovered and repaired. Mr. Krebhiel also recommended placing rolled insulation in the drop down ceiling.

P. Dutton made a motion and was supported by E. Dutton to insulate the drop down ceiling of the township hall for no more than \$1,000.00.

Insulation Motion

Mr. Tribfelner informed the board that Family Lawn Service would not be able to accommodate winter burials.

**A motion was made by E. Dutton and supported by Stevens to adjourn the meeting.**

**Meeting adjourned**

**AYE: P. Dutton, E. Dutton, Stevens, Tomasek-Swan, Sinicropi  
NO: none CARRIED**

**Meeting adjourned at 10:01pm**

**Final Comments**

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Susan Tomasek-Swan, Middlebury Township Clerk

Minutes prepared by  
Susan Tomasek-Swan  
Clerk