OVERISEL TOWNSHIP Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting 3/12/2024

Call to Order: Supervisor Russ Van Dam called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and Van Dam opened with prayer.

Members Present: Russ Van Dam, Rachel Hoeve, Josh Groenheide and Carl Meyer. Renee Hop absent with notice.

Al Co Commissioner: Jim Storey absent with notice, no report given.

Minutes: The Feb 13, 2024 Board meeting minutes were read and presented for approval. Motion made by Groenheide and supported by Meyer for approval. Motion Carried.

Overisel Fire Department: Fire Chief Kooienga reported 6 calls for Feb. May 7, 2023 fire board meeting; need new steer tires, Meekhof being lowest bid so far.

Overisel/Fillmore Deputy: Deputy Schmitt absent with notice, no report given.

Zoning Report: Planning meeting was Feb 20, 2024. Hoffmans request to build a residential dwelling on his property was approved. Tolsma wanted to rezone ag land to commercial, was tabled for lack of plans. March 19 and April 16 will be closed meetings to revise the ordinance book. Consumers spoke about wanting 50,000 acres for wind and solar energy farming. Russcher brought a petition from Farm Bureau for members to sign.

Supervisor:

Motions:

- 1. A motion was made by Meyer and supported by Groenheide to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion Carried
- 2. A motion was made by Hoeve and supported by Groenheide to approve Renee Hop's resignation letter effective April 1, 2024. Motion Carried
- 3. A motion was made by Van Dam and supported by Hoeve to approve appointing Lori Scholten as new clerk effective April 1, 2024. Motion Carried.
- 4. A motion was made by Meyer and supported by Groenheide to approve spending \$8,700 to hook on to Semco gas line. Motion Carried.
- 5. A motion was made by Groenheide and supported by Hoeve to approve parking the mower and gas tank at Roger Slotmans. Motion Carried.
- 6. A motion was made by Hoeve and supported by Groenheide to approve spending \$25,000 to re-gravel 41st between 142nd-140th. Motion Carried.
- 7. A motion was made by Hoeve and supported by Groenheide to approve spending \$69,075 to pave the shoulders of 142nd between 48th-39th. Motion Carried.
- 8. A motion was made by Groenheide and supported by Meyer to pay the bills as presented. Motion Carried.
- 9. A motion was made by Hoeve and supported by Meyer that the meeting stand adjourned. Motion Carried.

Audience Discussion- Discussion regarding Overisel firefighters and current training procedures. Discussion regarding solar zoning and approved substations within the township. Petition for local control of solar farming presented.

Next Meeting: of the Overisel Township Board of trustees will be Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:30 pm in the Overisel Township hall.

Rachel Hoeve, Treasurer