

3. Presentation:

None

4. Brief Public Comments – Agenda items only: (limit comments to 3 minutes)

None

5. Public Hearing-CDBG Public Hearing:

None

6. Unfinished Business:

None

7. New Business:

A. Approval of Rose Township Clean-up Day: Saturday, May 15, 2021 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm:

Clerk Miller set it up with both NOCFA and Republic and we are set to go.

Motion by Clerk Miller to approve Clean-up Day. Seconded by Trustee Noble.

VOTE: YES: Walls, Gambka, Miller, Noble, Scheib-Snider

NO: None

B. Road Commission of Oakland County 2021 Dust Control Program:

Blanket Program has been done in the past with five (5) applications. Supervisor Scheib-Snider will speak with Consumers Energy and RCOG about some areas that are not good and need gravel and chloride, in regards to the pipeline.

Motion by Trustee Noble to authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract with Oakland County Road Commission for five (5) applications for the local gravel roads in Rose Township for 53.45 miles of roadway for a total cost of \$95,242.50. Seconded by Treasurer Gambka.

VOTE: YES: Gambka, Miller, Noble, Walls, Scheib-Snider

NO: None

C. Other Post Retirement Benefits Trust Fund - Retirees Health Care:

Treasurer Gambka discussed this account with the Auditor, Rana Emmons. Ms. Emmons stated we can use this fund for dental and optical benefits, but cannot use it to pay for the \$575 Stipend for Health Insurance. Account currently has about \$170,000 in a mutual fund. Treasurer Gambka would like to go back as many years as possible (2-3 years) and get reimbursed for all dental and optical we have paid for retirees. He would do this before the end of this fiscal year, June 2021. Clerk Miller asks Treasurer Gambka how many years he plans to go back? Treasurer Gambka stated he will discuss it with Burnham and Flower.

Motion by Trustee Noble to authorize Treasurer Gambka to withdraw funds for past years for payment for optical and dental and in the future to withdraw money each year to cover the costs from the fund. Seconded by Trustee Walls.

Trustee Noble wishes he would have received information he had requested from Treasurer Gambka in regards to the fund. Trustee Walls questions amount of funds remaining. Clerk Miller states it is \$120 per month for two employees on plan. Treasurer Gambka states investments are small and he would prefer to leave the excess in the mutual fund. Clerk Miller suggests tabling this item until April Board Meeting. Trustee Noble suggests Treasurer Gambka put it in detail in a memorandum, which he already requested in the past.

Motion by Trustee Noble has been withdrawn, with the request that the Treasurer supply a written note before the April meeting.

D. State of Michigan COVID-19 Restrictions Discussion:

Supervisor Scheib-Snyder reports our meeting room holds under 25 people and suggests we continue having virtual meetings. Trustee Noble says having virtual meetings is inappropriate because not everyone has access to GoToMeetings and suggests we open back up to the public. Clerk Miller also states she would like to go back to “live” meetings, but continue running virtually also. Residents have requested we re-open to on-site meetings. Supervisor Scheib-Snyder states our meeting room only holds 17 people due to social distancing. Clerk Miller read part of a letter from MML; “there is reluctance on behalf of legislature to allow for no reason remote meetings beyond the end of the month.” They are urging local communities to contact their State Representatives and legislatures if their boards continue with virtual meetings.

Motion by Supervisor Scheib-Snyder to have virtual meetings due to COVID-19 restrictions and the meeting room only holds a maximum of 17 people. Seconded by Trustee Walls.

VOTE: **YES:** Walls, Gambka, Scheib-Snyder
 NO: Miller, Noble

8. Announcements- Due to COVID-19 restrictions meetings may be held virtually:

A. Planning Commission Meeting: April 1, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

B. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting: April 6, 2021@ 7:00 p.m.

C. N.O.C.F.A. Board Meeting: March 16, 2021 @ 3:00pm virtually

D. Assessing Office: M-F, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 248-858-2179, doyler@oakgov.com

E. Township Board Regular Meeting: April 14, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

F. Rose Township Clean-up Day: Saturday, May 15, 2021 from 8:00am – 4:00pm at Civic Park.

G. NoHaz Event: Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 8:00am – 2:00pm at Oxford Middle School, register 3-4 weeks before the event at www.nohaz.com.

9. Miscellaneous Reports:

- A. N.O.C.F.A.:** Board had a closed-door session regarding an employee. Chief Lintz had his review and received a merit reward. Considering adding more positions in NOCFA. Wage comparisons will be presented to the Board.
- B. Planning Commission:** Trustee Noble states there is nothing scheduled. Not happy that the complainant against Devoted Barn was named and feels it was erroneous and inappropriate.
- C. HAYA:** Trustee Walls was not able to attend.
- D. Cemetery Committee:** Clerk Miller discussed the roll-over auto accident that happened in Rose Center Cemetery on Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 3:00pm. She hired NOCFA to clean up the debris. Getting a quote for fence repair for the adjustor, but the Board needs to discuss in April or May if they want to repair or replace the fence.
- E. Zoning Board of Appeals:** Treasurer Gambka states the Commission did not meet in March.
- F. Parks and Recreation:** Supervisor Scheib-Snider discussed she is looking into playground equipment at Civic Park, since everything there was a liability. Plans for ground surface is required, as well as play equipment, and must meet the public safety playground guidelines.
- G. Heritage Committee:** Supervisor Scheib-Snider states the committee is still working on the history video.
- H. Supervisor Report:** Discussed Devoted Barn with the attorney. The Commission has taken an oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Michigan, and to protect and uphold our local ordinances. Devoted Barn is an ordinance violation case. A closed-door session is allowable by law. States no applications have been submitted by Devoted Barn at this time. Supervisor Scheib-Snider read a portion of the judgement: "Having reviewed the motion and responses the court finds that it would not be justifiable for defendants (Borden specifically) to rely on statements by Plewes based on her own statement that she didn't think he had a clue to what was needed for her "type" of operation. Further, this court finds Devoted Barn acted prior to any discussion between Borden and Plewes since she had already moved the dogs onto the property approximately two months before the discussion. As to the zoning ordinance amendment, this court finds that the documentary evidence supports that the Devoted Barn failed to obtain special land use approval under either amendment and that both would have applied to them."

10. Brief Public Comments: (limit comments to 3 minutes)

- A. Wendy Burton:** Lives across the street from Devoted Barn and is a volunteer. She read her letter that was submitted and is in the agenda packet. She asks the Board to vote on elongating the time to move the dogs to give them time to build a new shelter.
- B. Sarah Minter:** Believes Devoted Barn is positive for Rose Township. States the owner and volunteers are very fine people. Suggests the Board go there and check it out. They have complied as quickly as possible. They deal with abused dogs and rescue horses up for slaughter. Asked Board gives them more time to move the dogs. She wrote a letter that was submitted to the Board and is in the agenda packet.
- C. Linda Dagenhardt:** States the commissioner with the complaint was appointed to the Planning Commission shortly after his complaint and Rose Township became his attorney. Suggests it is a vendetta. She wrote a letter that was submitted to the Board and is in the agenda packet.
- D. Julius Stern (Caller 09):** States we should not be wasting township funds for litigation. Suggests it is a vendetta. Asks they drop the litigation and relentless prosecution/persecution of the Devoted Barn.
- E. Devonne Marconnit (Caller 08):** Lives across the street from Devoted Barn. She read her letter that was submitted to the Board and is in the agenda packet.
- F. Kelley Kazmierczak:** Volunteer at Devoted Barn. She has documentation that she erected the dog fence in July. It would most benefit the community to work with the Devoted Barn. She is opposed to spending thousands of dollars on an attorney. Suggests remedying this situation rather than litigation. She wrote a letter that was submitted to the Board and is in the agenda packet.
- G. Aaron Marconnit (Caller 08):** Lives across the street from Devoted Barn. Read his letter that was submitted to the Board and is in the agenda packet.
- H. Adrienne Quenneville:** Addressed complaining neighbors were working past midnight on numerous occasions. She wrote a letter that was submitted to the Board and is in the agenda packet.

11. Adjournment: 8:05pm

Approved/Corrected



Debbie Miller, MMC, MiPMC II
Rose Township Clerk