Meeting Place: Riley Township Hall, 13016 Belle River Road, Riley, Michigan 48041

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Titus at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Supervisor Al Titus, present; Clerk Deborah Rhein, absent (excused); Treasurer Mike Rushing, present; Trustee Duane Hagle, present; Trustee Mark Baranowski, present.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board: None

Guest Speakers: None

Approve Minutes: N/A

Consent Agenda: N/A

Unfinished Business: None

**New Business:** 

A. Ordinance Enforcement Officer: Titus stated that no action can be taken without a full board present. Position was posted for 2 weeks and Township received over 20 letters of interest but only four candidates submitted applications. All reviewed and discussed submissions of preferred candidates. Rushing preferred candidates with a military or police background. Baranowski recommended an interim or deputy OEO to be in place as a backup when necessary. Hagle and Titus preferred local or nearby candidate.

Titus gave overview of OEO duties: live in or near the township to respond to complaints that came into the Township office or by direct contact, make onsite visits, take photographs of violations, draft letters and communicate effectively with residents to resolve complaints, understand and explain what the Township ordinances are and what action is needed to be done to resolve issue, take legal action and go to court if necessary, hold monthly meetings with Supervisor and Township Attorney, and to provide monthly report to the Township Board.

Titus stated there is a backlog of complaints that will take months to look into and the OEO position will be handling ongoing issues surrounding Medical Marihuana and blight concerns. Titus suggested an increase in OEO salary to \$800-\$1000 per month to be looked into.

Roll Call

Meeting Date: March 23, 2021

Citizens

**Guest Speakers** 

Approve Minutes

Consent Agenda

**Unfinished Business** 

New Business

Rushing stated interest in conducting interviews for the OEO position along with Titus. Titus recommended closed interviews to be conducted at the Township Hall. Baranowski motioned to accept Al Titus and Mike Rushing to conduct closed OEO interviews of top candidates to be held at Township Hall, seconded by Duane Hagle. All in favor, motion carried.

Titus will contact surrounding local townships and municipals to inquire on current salaries on OEO's.

Audience comments:

Dawn Sawicki-Franz asked if the current salary was posted with the OEO opening, Titus replied it was not included.

John Senkow stated his interest in the OEO position, he is interested in what happens within the township especially regarding outside persons coming into the township, and has completed the officer reserve training as member of the Memphis Police Reserve under former Memphis Police Chief.

Committee Reports: N/A

Correspondence: N/A

Announcements: N/A

Closing Comments from the Board: None

Next Regular Meeting: Annual Meeting held on March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Hagle, seconded by: Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Dawn Behem, Recording Secretary (Acting)

Approved 03/30/2021

Deborah Rhein Riley Township Clerk **Committee Reports** 

Correspondence

Announcements

**Closing Comments** 

**Next Meeting** 

Adjournment