

THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE’S REGULAR MEETING – August 4, 2021

This regular meeting of the Woodville Township Trustees was held on August 4, 2021. Those in attendance: Trustees: Chairman Ken Green, Paul Runion, and Bill Hammer, Fiscal Officer Lori Kepus, Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker, Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis, Fire Chief Bill Andrews, Assistant Fire Chief Dave Miller and Assistant Fire Chief Mark Grove who left at 7:15 pm, and Jeremy Gillen from Sutphen.

Trustee Chairman Ken Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. This meeting was held observing the COVID-19 pandemic precautions including social distancing.

Fire Truck Bid Opening – Bids were opened for a 1,500 GPM, 1,000 gallon pumper truck.

Sutphen, Dublin, Ohio	\$637,795
Johnson Equipment Co./Spartan, Columbus, Ohio	\$650,000 or \$635,000 if paid at contract signing
Precision Fie Apparatus, Missouri	\$714,645
Pierce, Wisconsin	\$718,106

The Trustees stated the fire truck committee will review the bids and all the exceptions to the bids in detail.

EMS – Chief Andrews stated that the trains have been blocking the railroad tracks on a very regular basis and the other day the Woodville ambulance was blocked on one side and a Gibsonburg ambulance was blocked on the other side. There is an emergency-use only back drive they could use to get around, but the branches are hanging over too much and need to be trimmed. Workers will trim the trees.

The air conditioning in the EMS quarters went out last week and Trustee Runion fixed it and donated the labor and materials needed including Freon. The township purchased new filters, and those were also changed. Trustee Runion stated that the unit is very old and should be replaced.

The ambulance is back from Madison motors and appears to be working well.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Fire Chief Bill Andrews reported on the following:

- Pump Tests will be conducted at Gibsonburg on August 6.
- Hose Testing will be done here on August 13.
- Ladder Testing will be done here on August 31.
- X-5 needs to be serviced yet. All the other trucks have been serviced at WW Williams, and they will soon start on needed repairs as the parts ordered arrive.
- The breathing air packs have all been returned tested and repaired by Municipal Emergency Services. We are still waiting for the bottles from hydro-testing.
- The Sandusky County Firemen’s Association will meet on August 18 in Lindsay.
- Our duty day at the Sandusky County Fair for Stand-by is August 25. Two people will be there with a truck during the day and two people during the evening.
- We are going to BG to look at the Bowling Green Fire Department’s new Precision truck on August 11.
- We decided to hold our pancake breakfasts this season and continue with the drive through service. We will open up the meeting room if people would like to come in and eat.
- We will participate in the Pemberville Fair Parade on August 21.

CEMETERY – Jim Busdiecker reported that workers are busy mowing. There was one funeral last week.

It was reported that someone was seen driving throughout the Catholic Cemetery at the Woodville Cemetery on Lime Road. Workers put up a chain-link fence. Someone tore off the hinge. Workers replaced it and put it back up.

ROAD DEPARTMENT- Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker reported on the following:

- The mini-excavator had a hydraulic leak and was repaired by Bobcat. Covered under our warranty.
- I sprayed the cattails at the school.
- The new culvert at TR 139 and SR 105 is done.
- Workers trimmed the trees on TR 24.
- We’ve started to put up the signs from ODOT sign grant program. Our pole pounder did not work that great, so we borrowed Jackson Township’s, and it worked out very well.

The Trustees discussed participating in **ODOT’s Township Stimulus Program**. The program offers a grant that will pay 100% of the eligible costs up to the funding limit of \$250,000 for roadway and culvert projects (less than 10 feet). Trustee Hammer will speak with County Engineer Carlos Baez regarding the possible road(s) the township may pursue for this grant.

The 2022 ODOT **salt bid** was awarded to Cargill in the amount of \$49.94 a ton.

ZONING – Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis reported on the following:

I visited the Jacky Skaggs property on TR 93 with Trustee Green. Mr. Skaggs claims he is not living in the garage behind the house. Upon inspection, there is a furnace, insulation, and a shower in the building. He says his family stays on the property to take care of his elderly parents and sometimes needs a break. It was evident that he is non-compliant with our zoning regulations of a dual occupancy. His options would be to either move into the house, apply for a variance before the zoning board of appeals as a hardship case, or be faced with a \$100 a day fine for non-compliance.

Mr. Skaggs has cleaned up some of the junk on his property, and we told him to keep working on that. Regarding his possible home-based business, we suggested that he not store items on his property that would lead people to believe he is running a possible scrapping business.

FISCAL OFFICER – Lori Kepus reported that the **tax exemption** from the state has been approved for the parcel of land purchased next to the road maintenance building last May. The state mailed the final determination letter last week.

American Rescue Plan – Our application was approved for \$130,100.82 of which \$65,050.41 will be directly deposited into our account this year and the same amount will be deposited next year. The Trustees discussed possibly using these funds in the plan’s eligible use category to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

Kepus presented the Trustees with the Township’s **balanced bank reconciliation** for the month of July, and the updated Fund, Revenue, and Appropriation Status reports.

Below is the July financial report.

July Revenue Received	\$	19,348.52
July Expenses Paid	\$	92,699.93
Balance of all Funds as of 7/31/2021	\$	2,769,739.90

Trustee Hammer made a motion to approve the warrants. Trustee Runion seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. Trustee Runion made a motion to approve the Trustee's July 21, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

Ohio EPA Public Hearing - Area Aggregates Application to Renew their Wastewater Discharge Permit

The meeting will be held at Woodmore High School in Elmore on Monday, August 16 at 6 pm. Area Aggregates/Olen Corp. is requesting an increase in the discharge flow rate up to 1.5 million gallons per day from the quarry which is located at 659 County Road 32 in Woodville. Specifically, the increase would apply to an outfall that discharges quarry dewatering water. The discharge consists of stormwater and ground water collected in the south sedimentation pond. The pond discharges to Nuhfer Ditch, then to Sugar Creek.

If the renewal is approved, the discharge may result in degradation to, or lowering of, the water quality standards that protect human health and the environment. Two other outfalls from the quarry discharge to an unnamed tributary of the Portage River. No increase is being requested from these outfalls.

At 9:06 pm, with no further business, Trustee Hammer moved for adjournment. Trustee Runion seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code’s Sunshine Law.