

MINUTES OF THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 17, 2014

This regular meeting of the Woodville Township Trustees was held on December 17, 2014. Those in attendance: Trustees: Chairman Bill Hammer, Ken Green, Paul Heineman, Fiscal Officer Lori Kepus Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker --- Fire Chief Bill Andrews (left at 7:15 p.m.), Hunter Haar (left at 7:45 p.m.), and Township Resident Bob Schroeder.

Chairman Hammer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes from the December 3, 2014 regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote. Trustee Heineman made a motion to approve the warrants. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

EMS – No report.

ZONING – Hunter Haar recently purchased property at 4685 State Route 20 and set up a farm equipment sales lot next to the house which will not be occupied which results in a zoning issue. Mr. Rowles stated Mr. Haar is not eligible for a home based business permit because he is not living in the house, and since the property is currently zoned agriculture, he would need to apply for a zoning change to make the property a commercial lot. Mr. Rowles stated his concern was that if the parcel was broken into two lots (one zoned commercial and one zoned agriculture), it would result in “spot zoning” and that is illegal in Ohio. The Trustees told Mr. Haar that they feel it is most advantageous for him to keep it as one lot and rezone the property to commercial. Mr. Rowles will continue to work with Mr. Haar to gather the necessary materials for an application.

CEMETERY – Kepus stated that after reviewing the newly adopted Indigent Burial Policy, she would like the Trustees to consider adding an additional stipulation to the rules: If anyone would like to replace the marker supplied by the township that was placed on an indigent's grave, they must first reimburse the township the amount they paid for the indigent's burial. Trustee Hammer made a motion to add this language to the indigent burial policy effective immediately. Trustee Heineman seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

ROADS – Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker reported on the following:

- The cracksealing on various township roads is done (TR 56, TR 28, and ¾ of TR 16 north of the railroad tracks. They used one pallet of material (2,400#s).
- The road mowing is nearly complete, just a few spots to touch up with the boom mower.
- The township in southern Ohio that stated an interest in purchasing the 1996 Ford L8000 truck called to say they are no longer interested. The Trustees decided to keep the truck for now and use it for trash. The township may possibly advertise it for sale in the spring issue of the Ohio Township magazine.
- The John Deere 6330 road mower will need new tires.
- The Boom Mower will also need one new tire.

Kepus read a letter from the Toussaint Creek Project stating that as the township has property along the proposed improvement of the Toussaint Creek watershed, they are invited to a viewing of the project at 9 a.m. January 6 at the Wood County Fairgrounds in Bowling Green, and a hearing at 9 a.m. on March 24 also at the Wood County Fairgrounds. The project involves removing logjams and obstructions to provide drainage relief. The project stretches from Bowling Green in Wood County to Benton-Carroll Road in Ottawa County.

Trustee Hammer presented a quote from Gerken Paving on how much it would cost to repair a 2 foot by 6 foot area of road as some farmers have expressed disappointment at the \$500 road damage fee that the township currently charges. To contract out a repair for a 2 x 6' area of road, it would cost \$2,537.

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

- There were 342 meals served at the last pancake breakfast which was sponsored by Tom and Cindy Walston on behalf of the 30th anniversary of the death of Tom and Janis Nieman.
- X-2 is at WW Williams to check the battery charging system and tachometer.
- The Ohio Department of Commerce denied the department's funding for a MARCs grant from the State Fire Marshal due to the available funding being awarded to the department's most in need.
- Chief Andrews left the meeting at 7:15 p.m. to attend the County Firemen's Association Meeting which was held in our meeting room. The county sheriff's department brought their BSSR trailer to show the county departments an extra tool that is available to them during emergencies.
- The Trustees unanimously approved the purchase of a new vacuum cleaner for the station. We have been purchasing cheaper ones due to the fact that they only last about a year due to the heavy traffic and stones.
- Upcoming departmental events: December 22 – the department will hold their monthly meeting and fun night one week earlier due to the holidays; January 11 – pancake breakfast; February 21 department's annual appreciation dinner; March 21 – department's fund raising gun raffle at Ole Zims.

JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (JEDD) – The newly formed Sugar Creek JEDD board (Larry Dean, representing Harris & Woodville Townships, Dave Selhorst, representing the Village of Elmore, and John Fletcher serving as the local resident representative) held their first organizational meeting on December 9 in Elmore. Trustee Hammer was present and stated that no action was taken. The board will submit a copy of their meeting minutes to the trustees, and the original minutes will be kept on file in the Village of Elmore's administrative offices.

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FISCAL OFFICER –

The debtor's exam for Lisa Pauley for her past due rent and damages owed to the Township will be held at 11:15 a.m. on Monday, December 29 at the Sandusky County Court in Woodville.

Trustee Heineman presented a quote from Busdiecker & Son for a high efficiency furnace for the east side of the building (EMS quarters) in the amount of \$3,549. Trustee Heineman made a motion to purchase the high efficiency Amana furnace in the amount not to exceed \$3,700. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to renew the township's membership with the Sandusky County Farm Bureau in the amount of \$75. Trustee Heineman seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

Trustee Green made a motion to approve the transfer of \$2,000 from the EMS Levy Fund Small Tools Account to the EMS Levy Fund Repairs & Maintenance Account to appropriately allocate funds. Trustee Hammer seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

Trustee Hammer stated that he spoke with Virginia Swartz, Fort Findlay Road, to see how much progress she has made in removing the barns on her property. Ms. Swartz stated she is still speaking with various persons to see if they will remove the structures as she does not want to have the barns burned because she would have to allow them to be pulled into the field 1,000 feet away from a structure, and she is concerned that the nails will cause too much damage for the farmer who plows the field.

The Trustee discussed a request for use of the hall by Dave Miller for the third Sunday of each month for the Ohio Chapter of the Terry Farrell Fire Fighter's Fund meetings. The Trustees approved this request as long as none of these dates interfere with the use of the hall by the Woodville Buckeyes 4-H for any of their meetings.

The Sandusky County Township Association will hold their 47th annual banquet at 6 p.m. January 15 at Ole Zims. The cost is \$20 per person.

At 8:50 p.m., with no further business, Trustee Green moved for adjournment. Trustee Hammer seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code's Sunshine Law.