

## THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REGULAR MEETING - July 19, 2017

This regular meeting of the Woodville Township Trustees was held on July 19, 2017. Those in attendance: Trustees: Chairman Bill Hammer, Paul Heineman, Ken Green, Fiscal Officer Lori Kepus, Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker, Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis, Fire Chief Bill Andrews, Assistant Fire Chief Dave Miller, and Zoning Commission Member Bob Schroeder.

Trustee Hammer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Green made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 5, 2017 regular meeting. Trustee Heineman seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. Trustee Heineman made a motion to approve the warrants. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

**EMS** – The starter on the squad went out and it was also discovered that part of the exhaust system is rusted out. It was towed to WW Williams for repair.

**ZONING** – Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis presented two letters he drafted to be sent to two township residents who have not fulfilled the requirements of the zoning variances that were granted to them by the Zoning Board of Appeals years ago. The letters were sent to:

Daniel Hernandez – 3166 TR 62, Woodville - Mr. Hernandez' variance request was approved in 2015 to allow a residential dwelling of 560 square feet to be placed on his lot. The Zoning Resolution states that a residential dwelling must have a minimum floor area of not less than the required 1200 square feet. One of the conditions of the variance was to have his home placed on a proper permanent foundation within two years.

Karen Powell – 2505 N. CR 42, Gibsonburg - Ms. Powell's variance request was approved in 1999 for a temporary second residence on the same lot due to a health hardship. Now that there is no longer a hardship, the variance states that the second residence must be removed as the township zoning resolution only allows for one residence per lot.

The Township Zoning Board of Appeals held a variance hearing for Gary Thomasson, 2920 TR 14, Woodville on July 13. Mr. Thomasson would like to build a 40' x 80' building for storage and a shop in his front yard. The \$250 variance fee was paid at this hearing. The Zoning Board of Appeals approved this request.

Township Zoning Commission member John Thierry let the Trustees know that time restrictions will not allow him to serve on this board any longer, but he would be able to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals as they usually only meet once or twice a year. Trustee Green made a motion to make a swap on the zoning boards and appoint John Thierry to Township's Zoning Board of Appeals and in turn, appoint Scott Lucas from the Zoning Board of Appeals to the Zoning Commission. Trustee Heineman seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

**CEMETERY** – The Trustees signed two deeds for cemetery plots – James & Sandra Mohrman (2 plots) and a transfer of 2 plots by Tim Schnitker to his parents, Ronald & Barbara Schnitker.

Dave Busdiecker painted the flag poles at both cemeteries and mowing at the cemeteries continues.

Kepus reported that North Branch Nursery feels that the trees on the back side of the cemetery that appear to be struggling may be ok. This spring, the trees had no leaves on them, but as summer approached they are starting to leaf up. North Branch suggested that the trees be watered, and stated that they can get continual water if they have water bags attached to the trunk.

**ROADS** – Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker reported that he wrapped a cable while mowing on TR 62.

Jim stated that Kenny Fork, the Road Supervisor at Madison Township, works alone and asked if Woodville Township could help with some tree trimming over there. After discussion, Trustee Green made a motion to allow Woodville Township workers to help with trimming and chipping in Madison Township and in turn Madison Township will help Woodville Township and to allow this trade of labor at the discretion of our road supervisor to fit in as time permits. Trustee Hammer seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

After reviewing quotes for a new camera system to be placed at the road garage to watch the garbage dumpsters, Trustee Hammer made a motion to purchase a Samsung wireless camera system from Sam's Club up to \$300. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

The Ohio Department of Transportation awarded the winter salt contract to Cargill in the amount of \$31.23 a ton. The township ordered 50 ton.

The Evergreen trees on TR 93 and SR 20 are still encroaching on the road and need to be cut back. The Mulberry trees were recently trimmed and are ok.

It was reported that there are thistles growing out of control on the lands of Area Aggregates (Lockport), 875 SR 20, Woodville. The Trustees asked Kepus to send a noxious weed letter by certified mail. The letter states that the thistles and other weeds need to be controlled on the portion of the property next to a soy bean field near piles of soil. The weeds are about to spread or mature seeds, and proceedings should be instituted to have the same sprayed and destroyed within five (5) days after receipt of this notice according to Ohio Revised Code 5579.05. If the grass and weeds are not controlled or destroyed within five (5) days after receipt of this notice, Woodville Township shall spray the weeds and all expenses incurred shall be sent to the county auditor to be entered on the property owner's tax duplicate to refund the Township, according to Ohio Revised Codes 5579.06 and 5579.07.

Trustee Hammer continues to try to locate a property owner for 1654 State Route 20, Woodville that was previously owned by Penny Sutton, and also for the former Lopez home on TR 165 as there are thistles growing out of control on those lands and letters need to be sent.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT** – Chief Andrews reported on the following:

- The department was not able to meet up with Inland Marina on a rescue boat so they are looking elsewhere. The Harris-Elmore Fire Department is possibly interested in purchasing our old rescue boat.
- The department is still reviewing options for purchasing new turnout gear.
- The Sandusky County Sheriff requested to use our thermal imaging camera during a hunt for two escaped prisoners on July 17. Mark Grove took the camera and X-5 to assist if needed.
- The department received an application for membership from Connor Emch. Connor recently graduated from the Public Safety/EMT-Fire Science program at Penta County Vocational School and is certified with a Firefighter 2 classification.
- It was reported that the faucet in the janitor's room is not working properly.

Trustee Heineman made a motion to purchase an Eclipse LDX thermal imaging camera with X-factor technology and a 5-year warranty in the amount of \$8,300 and flashlights with 90 degree lights for 25 members of the department at a cost of \$55 each (total \$1,375). Both items will be purchased from Findlay Fire Equipment. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

**FISCAL OFFICER** – Kepus stated that she received a record request from TTL Associates who is conducting a phase one environmental site evaluation on the following properties: 4642 and 4680 County Road 44, Woodville, owned by Ken Green. Three zoning permits relating to these properties were found and sent to TTL.

Trustee Green made a motion to hire BEC Associates, Port Clinton, to conduct an engineering survey and write a legal description in an amount up to \$800 on the township's rental house at 329 East Main Street in preparation for the sale of the house. Trustee Heineman seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

Trustee Heineman made a motion to contribute \$1,500 to the Sandusky County Economic Development Corporation's annual community campaign. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

The Trustees discussed distributing a newsletter to township residents. Kepus asked for articles to be submitted.

The Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation sent a rebate equal to 66% of the township's 2015 payroll premium. The total amount was \$2,507.03.

The Sandusky County Township Association will hold a picnic at Connor Park in Ballville Township on July 20.

The American Red Cross will hold a bloodmobile at the station on July 27.

At 8:56 p.m., with no further business, Trustee Heineman moved for adjournment. Trustee Green seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code's Sunshine Law.