

MINUTES OF THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REGULAR MEETING JUNE 17, 2015

This regular meeting of the Woodville Township Trustees was held on June 17, 2015. Those in attendance: Trustees: Chairman Ken Green, Bill Hammer, Paul Heineman, Fiscal Officer Lori Kepus --- Zoning Inspector Bill Rowles, Assistant Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis (both left at 8 p.m.) --- Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker --- Fire Chief Bill Andrews --- Township Resident Jennifer Weidner (left at 7:45 p.m.) and Village Resident Dan Liskai (left at 7:55 p.m.).

Chairman Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes from the June 3, 2015 regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote. Trustee Hammer made a motion to approve the warrants. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

GUESTS – Jennifer Weidner, 7515 SR 582, was present to express her concern regarding a situation that is occurring in her neighborhood. Mrs. Weidner stated that she just wanted to make the Trustees aware and fully understand her rights regarding a neighbor who is shooting semi-automatic guns on a regular basis from his backyard on State Route 23. She stated that no one has ever asked her permission to shoot towards her house or property. She said that her area of State Route 582 has grown into a small neighborhood, full of small children that play outdoors on a regular basis. "I'm not at all against the use of guns or gun owners; my fear is for the safety of our children."

The Trustees stated that the only regulation on guns Woodville Township has is their Zoning Resolution and she was given copies of that information. The Township has no regulations on someone shooting in their backyard, and unless it is a club operation there is not much the Township could do except monitor the area and contact the county sheriff if bullets are coming across her property. The Township Zoning Resolution does require a conditional use permit for a "shooting range" that could be a permitted use in an agriculture district, but that use would need to be permitted by the Township's Zoning Board of Appeals. Zoning Inspectors Rowles and Michaelis asked her to call the next time they are shooting, or if the gun club day can be more closely identified, and they will be happy to pay the shooters a visit and see if the situation can be understood regarding the gun club use and Township zoning requirements.

Village Resident Dan Liskai, 422 South Street, Woodville, was present and stated that his insurance company requires a letter from the Township stating that his fire-damaged barn has been cleaned up satisfactorily as the township has a resolution on file dealing with fire damaged structures (ORC 3929.86). The fire occurred on May 27. Trustees Green and Heineman inspected the property and both stated it has been cleaned up satisfactorily and will not require any money to be deposited into an escrow account for the fire department.

EMS - Fire Chief Bill Andrews stated there is a minor problem with the siren and he will look at it.

ZONING – Zoning Inspector Bill Rowles presented one approved zoning permit for Cory Sullenberger, 4850 TR 28, Woodville, for a 10' x 17' porch (the \$30 permit fee was paid).

He also presented a revised permit for James Southwyck who is constructing a storage building (barn) on the farm ground and woods on TR 24 across from 2884 TR 24, Gibsonburg. The building measurements were changed from 44' x 48' to 70' x 48'. Mr. Rowles also filed this revised permit (2014-19) with the Sandusky County Auditor.

Anthony Schroeder, 7555 SR 582, Woodville, submitted a permit to construct a ¼ acre pond, but that permit was denied because Zoning Resolution 7.4-2 states that ponds must be a minimum of ½ acre. The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on June 30 at the fire station to review his request.

CEMETERY – Jim Busdiecker stated that the Sandusky County Sheriff's Work Program Director quit and the County Commissioners are looking for a replacement. In the meantime, Township workers have been busy weed wacking and trimming in addition to their regular mowing schedule. The jail inmate workers have been at the Woodville Township cemeteries two times so far this spring.

As the need to expand into the new section of Westwood Cemetery draws nearer, the Trustees discussed options for raising more funds for this purpose. Kepus will find out the revenue that would be generated from a renewal and a replacement of the current .5 mill cemetery levy.

ROADS – Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker reported on the following:

- The Trustees again discussed quotes for a wing plow for the snow plow from Henderson Truck Equipment (\$9,706), Judco Truck Equipment (\$14,750), and The Dexter Co (\$16,000-\$18,000). It has been reported that a wing plow will help push snow back further from the road to alleviate drifting. Busdiecker visited with Sandusky Township, and they stated that they are happy with their plow from Henderson. He said the county has these plows also. Trustee Hammer made a motion to purchase the Henderson Mid-Mount seven foot Wing Plow with a 2-year warranty in the amount of \$9,706. Trustee Green seconded. Roll call: Hammer, yes, Green, yes, Heineman, no. Motion passed 2-1.
- Trustee Heineman stated he would like the Township to have a cracksealing program and consider hiring a company to do this. He doesn't feel the Township is keeping up with it, especially on the newly paved roads. Busdiecker stated that last year TR 56, TR 28, and TR 16N was done from last year's schedule, but not TR 16S, TR 165, nor TR 28 as it is difficult to coordinate borrowing the machine from the county engineer and having workers available to crack seal on the dates the machine is available to the Township. Trustee Heineman will gather quotes from various companies.
- The Trustees reviewed the Township's 5-year road plan in anticipation of participating in an Issue II application this summer. The roads that are under consideration – TR 14 from CR 107 to Fort Findlay Road and/or TR 62 from TR 93 to US Route 20. Kepus will send a letter to Jackson, Madison, Rice, Riley, and Washington Townships to see if they would like to participate in a joint application.

Buddy Perkins, 3328 TR 62, Woodville, submitted a driveway culvert permit and paid the \$300 fee. Mr. Perkins recently installed a driveway to a piece of property he owns on TR 62 where he will build a new home in the future.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Bill Andrews reported on the following:

- The trucks will begin their annual maintenance checks at WW Williams the week of June 24.
- The breathing compressor is leaking and will be fixed soon.
- The MS Bike to the Bay tour will ride through town June 20-21 and asked if the fire station could be used as a shelter in the event of heavy rain. The Trustees stated that this would be fine.
- Joe Kopp and Dave Miller are still on light duty for at least another six weeks.
- Trustee Hammer presented the department's building committee with a list of questions for the possible construction of a storage building next to the fire station.
- Upcoming departmental events: June 19 and 20 – some members of the department and X-5 will attend the Northwest Ohio Fire Convention in Hicksville; June 21 – Firemen's Sunday will be held at the Woodville churches; June 25 – the GOBA bike tour will ride through town; July 2 – Woodville's 4th of July 5K run; July 3 – Woodville's fireworks; and July 4 – Woodville's 4th of July parade at 6 p.m.

The Trustees reviewed quotes for painting the fire truck bays from McCormick Painting, Fremont, (\$8,890); R K Painting, Toledo (\$13,950); Bob Schact Painting, Pemberville (\$16,307); Haar & Haar Painting, Pemberville (\$14,230); and Jim Knieriem Painting, Northwood (\$15,620). Since the quotes varied so much in price, the Trustees would like more clarification on the quotes submitted.

The Trustees signed the proposal contract documents for the milling and paving of the entrance drive and fire station parking lot which were prepared by the Sandusky County Engineer's office. The engineer's office is estimating the cost of this project to be \$67,000. On Tuesday, June 30, the documents will be released on the engineer's website www.sanduskycountyengineers.com and an advertisement will be published in the Fremont News-Messenger. Bids will be accepted by Woodville Township until 7 p.m. July 15.

FISCAL OFFICER – Kepus presented the Trustees with the Township's updated Fund, Revenue, and Appropriation Status reports.

The Trustees reviewed in detail a spreadsheet of Township expenses prepared by Kepus in preparation of the Township's 2016 budget. The Trustees will hold a public budget hearing on July 1 at 7 p.m. and their regular meeting will follow.

At 9:55 p.m., with no further business, Trustee Hammer moved for adjournment. Trustee Green seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code's Sunshine Law.