

## **THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 7, 2015**

This regular meeting of the Woodville Township Trustees was held on October 7, 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 --- Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker  
Fire Chief Bill Andrews, Assistant Fire Chief Dave Miller, Lieutenant Tim Schnitker --- Township Resident and  
Zoning Board Member Bob Schroeder --- Jon Younker, representing OTARMA (left at 7:20 pm) and Denise  
Maye, the Director of the Woodville Senior Center (left at 7:30 pm).

Chairman Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes from the September 16, 2015 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.

**OTARMA** - Jon Younker from Woodville Mutual was present to review the Township's 2015-2016 liability insurance policy renewal through the Ohio Township Risk Management Authority (OTARMA). This year's renewal was \$20,193 (a \$1,710 increase from last year due to the addition of minimal items throughout the year and an increase in the fire truck values). Trustee Hammer made a motion to contract with OTARMA for the Township's liability insurance for 2015-2016 in the amount of \$20,168 (OTARMA offers a \$25 credit for a CDL driver's check). Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. OTARMA has also notified the Township that they will receive a profit sharing loyalty check in the amount of \$1,448.92 for excess unused reserve funds that were held by OTARMA to pay unexpected claims.

**GUEST** - Denise Maye from the Woodville Senior Center was present to inform the Trustees that the Sandusky County Seniors will have .5 mill replacement and .5 mill additional levy on the November 3 ballot. The levies will generate \$1.1 million for senior services for the next five years. The services include home delivered meals, health checks, and operations costs for the senior center locations in Woodville, Fremont, Gibsonburg, Clyde, and Bellevue. The levy will cost the average home owner 10 cents a day to help keep seniors healthy, at home, and independent. The Woodville Senior Center is located at the fire station and is open three days a week – Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**EMS** – The EMS reported that as of August 30, the department has completed 246 runs this year, 150 of those were billable runs, and 75% of the runs required advanced lifesaving services (ALS) from the paramedics.

The squad was involved in a minor accident with a Woodville police cruiser's push bar while leaving the scene of a call on the night of September 27. There was no damage to the squad, but an aluminum strip was bent off the police cruiser.

**ZONING** – Zoning Inspector Bill Rowles presented one approved zoning permit to Nathan Wiechman, 380 Borcharding Road, Woodville, for a 40' x 64' pole barn. The \$50 permit fee was paid.

Mr. Rowles stated that he and Assistant Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis continue to discuss zoning information and have been visiting Township residents to discuss outstanding zoning issues. Steve stated that he will be out of town for the next Trustee's meeting.

**CEMETERY** – Jim Busdiecker stated that the prisoners from the Sandusky County Jail work program did show up this week and weeded at the cemeteries. Fall cleanup at the cemeteries is October 16-31. All arrangements must be removed. New arrangements may be placed November 1.

**ROADS** – Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker reported that workers have replaced four of the seven culverts on TR 93 in preparation for a possible Issue II road resurfacing project next spring. He has also continued to mow various township roads. The hydraulic hose on the backhoe broke and was repaired by Streaker Tractor.

Busdiecker stated that he spoke with the sheriff's department work program director and asked if they would be interested in doing some cracksealing in the township. The machine has been reserved with the county engineer's office for the week of October 19 along with 2 ton of sealing material. Weather permitting; they will be able to complete the work on various township roads.

Trustee Hammer gave an overview of the Issue II meeting held at the Sandusky County Engineer's Office on September 17. The Township Road Resurfacing Project was awarded 108 points and was the highest scoring project. The project involves resurfacing various township roads in Woodville, Washington, Riley, Madison, and Jackson Townships. The application will move on to the District level in Bowling Green and will be voted on at their December 15 meeting. The application was written by Lori Kepus and Bill Hammer.

The Trustees were in unanimous agreement that the railroad crossing on TR 93 is deemed to be in poor shape and in dire need of repair. They stated that it is a safety hazard and a hazard to the snow plows. Kepus will send a letter to the Sandusky-Seneca County Port Authority to express the Trustee's concerns.

Kepus announced that the Township received its share of the rock salt antitrust litigation settlement against Morton Salt and Cargill in the amount of \$614.33. The settlement resolves allegations that the companies conspired with each other from 2008 to 2011 causing state and local governments to pay higher prices for rock salt used to make icy roads safer for travelers. The suit was settled by the Ohio Attorney General.

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

- Trustee Hammer sealed the concrete pads outside of the truck bays.
- Assistant Chief Mark Grove completed the touch-up painting in the truck bay.
- The ladder testing was completed by National Hose Testing, and all ladders passed inspection.
- The department applied for a Firehouse Subs grant for a fire extinguisher training program, but unfortunately it was denied.
- The Woodville Business Association will hold their next monthly meeting at the fire station on October 8 at 7:30 a.m.
- Beginning in January, Promedica will offer continuing education classes on the first Monday of every month at the Woodville Township Fire Station for any area department that wants to participate.
- Firefighter Belinda Chavez continues her fire-fighting classes at Vanguard.
- Firefighters Katie Mock and Cheryl Ward successfully completed their one year probationary period and were accepted into full membership with the fire department.
- Upcoming departmental events: The department will participate in fire prevention activities at Solomon Lutheran School on October 8 and at Woodmore Elementary on October 9; October 10 – the fire department will hold an open house from 1-4 p.m.; October 11 - first pancake and sausage breakfast of the season; October 12 – the department will take a tour of Martin Marietta; October 15 – Woodmore's Homecoming Bonfire; October 16 – Woodmore's Homecoming parade; October 22 - the department will participate in Woodville's Fright Night and will decorate a light pole with a fire-fighting theme. Businesses on Main Street will be open from 6-8 p.m.; and October 31 – Woodville's Trick-or-Treat.

Trustee Hammer stated that Gerken Paving completed the resurfacing of the fire station parking lot on September 30. The Trustees unanimously approved the paint striping of each parking spot to be completed by Zimmerman Paint Contractors, Fremont in the amount of \$1,600.

**FISCAL OFFICER** – The Trustee's approved the Township's September balanced bank reconciliation and were presented with the updated Fund, Revenue, and Appropriation status reports.

The Trustees unanimously approved the transfer of \$2,000 from the Fire Fund – Repair & Maintenance Account to the Fire Fund – Property Insurance Account to appropriately allocate funds.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to adopt the Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as determined by the Sandusky County Budget Commission. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. Kepus will file the resolution with the county auditor.

The Sandusky County Township Association will hold their fall quarterly meeting at 6 p.m. October 15 at the Lynnwood Kennels in Fremont.

The American Red Cross will hold a bloodmobile at the fire station on Friday, October 16.

At 9:40 p.m., with no further business, Trustee Green moved for adjournment. Trustee Heineman seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code's Sunshine Law.