

BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES      REGULAR MEETING

August 4, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Chairman W. Robert Kusmer with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Trustees Richard A. Geyer and David Stotz. Randal L. Strickler, Township Solicitor, was also present.

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the minutes of July 16, 2015 be approved as written. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

The Financial Information was read as follows and is attached to the minutes:

Total Bills - \$35,811.97

Total Receipts - \$18,698.43

Cash Total - \$875,696.74

Moved by Mr. Stotz and seconded by Mr. Geyer that the Financial Report be approved and the bills be paid. Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

Julie Hasselbach was present to meet with the Board. She reviewed all health insurance compliance issues that Ballville Township needs to be aware of and comply with.

Diana Best was present to observe the meeting.

Tim Grabenstetter, Rose and Larry Bower and Todd Lindsay were present to address the Board on the Stahl Road drainage project. Mr. Kusmer stated that he is still waiting on Denny Stacy for a commitment on granting an easement. He stated that all of the other 12 residents have been contacted and all are on board, except for two who are still thinking about the request. Mr. Grabenstetter asked if the township will tear out the old system. Mr. Kusmer stated that that the old system will be torn out and Mr. Grabenstetter's yard will not be torn up as it would have been in the original county plan.

Moved by Mr. Geyer that the township pursue the Stahl Road project at township expense as soon as possible and plastic tile be installed. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Mr. Bowers asked Mr. Kusmer if he knew how long it would take to make catch basins. Mr. Kusmer stated that special order catch basins take two weeks. He also stated that once all landowners give verbal consent to easements, the area will be staked out for all residents to view, then area will be surveyed and easements prepared. Mrs. Bower asked how long this would take. Mr. Kusmer stated that it would probably not be done this year and may have to be done over a three year period as township funds allow.

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Jack Ferguson asked if anything could be done about the excessive noise on the weekends from Weinsteins on S. River Road. It was suggested that the Sheriff be called. and there was also a discussion on when the liquor permit comes up for renewal for the business. Mr. Strickler also stated that legislation now allows for the township to adopt a noise ordinance.

Cemetery Board – Jack Ferguson and Jim Gillis, Cemetery Directors, were present. Mr. Gillis said that all cemeteries have been mowed and are in good condition.

Bill Lagrou reported that he has a notarized statement from Donna J. Mackling that she would like her grave transferred to her son Michael E. Brunthaver. Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that Ballville Township prepare a new deed for Michael E. Brunthaver, who will receive the transferred grave from Donna J. Mackling. The grave is in Mt. Lebanon Cemetery. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried. All records were reviewed and no deed could be found for the grave.

Zoning Report – Dave Schwartz, Zoning Inspector, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Schwartz discussed the Ed Blue property on CR 41. He presented pictures of the property; there are junk vehicles and a semi on the property along with other junk and debris. The Board of Health is willing to assist with cleanup efforts. The Board would like Ballville Township Zoning and the Sandusky County Health Dept. to join efforts in cleaning up this property.

Mr. Schwartz also discussed the Tom Wotherspoon property at 1401 C.R. 31. Mr. Schwartz gave Mr. Wotherspoon 30 days to show progress. The Health Dept. is not involved in this cleanup, only Ballville Township Zoning. This property has many building materials and other junk and debris on the property.

Mr. Schwartz discussed the Cathy Collins property at 2484 Buckland Avenue. The issues on this property are high weeds and grass, mosquitoes and mulch piled over the property. The Board instructed Mr. Schwartz to send a violation notice for this property.

Park Board Report – Bill Lagrou and Kerry Wood were present to meet with the Board. Mr. Lagrou stated that the engine blew up in the Toro Mower and will cost \$2,400.00 to repair. The mower is six years old with 900 hours. It will cost \$9-10 thousand to replace the mower. Moved by Mr. Stotz and seconded by Mr. Geyer that engine be replaced in the Toro mower at a cost not to exceed \$2,400.00. Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

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The Park Board minutes of July 13, 2015, are entered into the township minutes.

Road Report – Bill Lagrou, Road Superintendent, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Lagrou informed the Board that the #5 International Dump Truck needs a new water pump. The GMC Truck that Mr. Lagrou drives is at the Volvo dealership for a computer fix.

Mr. Lagrou reported that 300' of pipe with catch basin was installed on TR 43 by Willis and Sons Excavating. Tom Beaschler will install a backflow preventer at his house to alleviate the flooding.

The MORE Grant was submitted to OTARMA. This is a \$500.00 reimbursement grant for the purchase of safety materials. The purchase of road signs were part of this year's MORE Grant.

Mr. Lagrou and Mr. Kusmer met with UTOPIA pipeline representatives concerning the pipeline scheduled to run through the center of the Baker Road property. UTOPIA is considering moving the pipeline to the bottom third of the park rather than cutting the property in half. UTOPIA is also considering a donation to development of the park.

Mr. Lagrou stated that received a quote from Sabroske Electric of \$1,190.40 for eight 4' wraparound lights for the township house meeting room. Township employees will install. Mr. Kusmer stated that he would like to check another supplier before the lights are ordered.

The Joint Township Road Paving Project Contract with Gerken Paving has been signed by all parties involved. They are planning to begin the project in mid-September. Mr. Kusmer will submit the "Request to Proceed Notice" to OPWC and a "Notice to Proceed" must be received before the project can proceed.

Mr. Lagrou presented an Accident Report concerning an incident on July 22, 2015 while installing a catch basin on TR 168. The dirt collapsed and Jon Leemaster was standing on a piece of plywood. There were no injuries. Mr. Lagrou stated that he discussed with all supervisory employees that the hole should have been stepped off to avoid the collapse.

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Mr. Lagrou also discussed an incident on July 23, 2015, in which stone flew off a township truck leaving MGQ, Inc. plant and damaged the windshield of a vehicle following the dump truck. The owner of the vehicle was instructed to have the windshield repaired and the bill sent to the township. Robert Nepper was the driver of the township truck.

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the following Then and Now Certificate be approved: \$3,500.00 – Adkins Sanitation – Road Fund. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Stotz and seconded by Mr. Geyer that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Kay Gabel, Fiscal Officer

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Chairman