

BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

August 19, 2014

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

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Kusmer that the minutes of August 5, 2014 be approved as written. Mr. Geyer, yes, Kusmer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

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

Total Bills - \$63,442.79

Total Receipts - \$1,030.85

Cash Total - \$919,732.86

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

Cemetery Board – Jack Ferguson and Jim Gillis, Cemetery Directors, were present to meet with the Board. Bill Lagrou has been contacted by PERSO and Progressive Insurance and has been told that the township will be receiving the \$1,000.00 deductible from the claim for accident at Hill Cemetery.

Doug Crowell was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Crowell voiced concern about the potential removal of Ballville Dam and wanted to know the Board's feelings on the proposal. Mr. Kusmer stated that the Board has gone on record as being opposed to the removal of the dam. The reasons for this opposition is the wetlands issue, reports not being substantiated that the dam is structurally unstable and no regard for human impact to the residents in the area.

Mr. Crowell discussed the history of the dam prior to the City of Fremont purchasing it for one dollar. It was dredged and maintained every 3-5 years prior to the City of Fremont owning the dam. He stated that the Fire Dept. has concerns about the dam being removed due to proposed ice structure and rescue operations by the Fire Dept. Mr. Kusmer stated that the Board also has concerns and is opposed to the ice structure. Mr. Crowell stated that if the dam is removed, the Fire Dept. should be provided with funds for training for the ice structure. Mr. Crowell stated that he would like to see the dam remain as it allows water to go out, but it needs to be maintained and dredged. Ohio EPA is holding a public meeting about the Ballville Dam Demolition project on Thursday, August 21, 2014 at Terra State Community College.

Zoning Report – David Schwartz, Zoning Inspector, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Schwartz stated that the vehicle at the Mike Kiser property on Tucker Road remains.

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Moved by Mr. Kusmer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that Resolution #2014-12 be adopted as follows: A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of Ballville Township, Sandusky County, Ohio for the purpose of declaring a vehicle a junk motor vehicle, and ordering the owners of the property located at 1124 Tucker Road, Ballville Township, Sandusky County, Ohio to put the vehicle into storage by September 2, 2014 or the Board will remove said junk vehicle and certify the cost of said removal to the Sandusky County Auditor as a lien for collection as other taxes. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Geyer, NO. Motion carried. Mr. Schwartz was instructed to send this notice by Certified mail to Mr. Kiser.

The Israel Book resolution was discussed. The Notice was posted by Mr. Schwartz but has since been removed. A discussion was held on how the clean up of the property will be handled. Mr. Lagrou will check with companies possibly available to assist with the clean up and this will be discussed at the next meeting.

Park Board Report – Bill Lagrou, Park Superintendent, was present to meet with the Board. There was a discussion on LED lighting for Conner Park. The Park Board has recommended that the township spend approximately \$30,500 on lighting for Conner Park. Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Kusmer that LED Lighting be installed in Conner Park at an approximate cost of \$30,500.00. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

Park Board minutes of August 11, 2014 are entered into the minutes.

Road Report – Bill Lagrou, Road Superintendent, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Lagrou stated that the new truck has been taken from Genoa Ford to Kalida for the truck bed.

He also informed the Board that cell phones have been switched over from Alltel to Verizon.

The 2015 Issue 2 application was discussed. Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that Resolution #2014-13 be adopted as follows: A Resolution Authorizing Robert Kusmer, Ballville Township Trustee, to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program (s) and to execute contracts as required. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Mary Kay Gabel signed the Certification of Local Funds indicating that \$76,450.00 local revenue is available for the Issue II application.

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Mr. Lagrou discussed several quotes for drainage projects from Willis and Sons Excavating. The quote for the drain on Guernsey Drive was \$980.00 and the quote for 800' of 42" tile on CR 43 was \$44,245.00. Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Kusmer that the quote from Willis and Sons Excavating for \$980.00 for Guernsey Drive project be approved. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried. Road funds will be evaluated further to see if the CR 43 project can be done this year or will have to wait until 2015.

Mr. Lagrou discussed the ODOT salt bid. The second bid for winter salt came in at \$134.90 per ton. Mr. Lagrou has 425 in storage and used 600 ton last winter. After much discussion, it was moved by Mr. Kusmer and seconded by Mr. Geyer that the ODOT salt bid of \$134.90 per ton for winter delivery be declined. Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

The following appointments were made to the Sandusky County Regional Planning Commission:

Members – Richard Geyer and David Stotz and Alternates – Dave Schwartz and W. Robert Kusmer.

The Board received notice of Ohio EPA Meeting to Discuss Renewal of Vickery Environmental's Underground Injection Permits.

Notification was received from Millennia Housing Development, LTD on the status of the Little Bark Manor Housing Development LTD.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kay Gabel, Fiscal Officer

Chairman