

BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

December 17, 2013

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

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the minutes of December 3, 2013, be approved as written. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

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

Total Bills - \$17,503.95

Total Receipts - \$8,477.37

Cash Total - \$1,128,599.51

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.

Doug Crowell was present to observe the meeting.

Michael Carter of Green Springs Volunteer Fire Dept. was present to meet with the Board. Their department is asking for a 3% raise for each year of the three year contract. The current contract expires 12/31/2013. He discussed different programs and issues facing the department. Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the Fire Contract for Green Springs be approved with a 3% increase as follows: January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014 - \$7,595.00, January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015 - \$7,825.00 and January 1, 2016- December 31, 2016 - \$8,055.00. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

W. Robert Kusmer and David Stotz were sworn in for their new terms beginning January 1, 2014, by Mary Kay Gabel, Fiscal Officer. Bonds were signed and recorded. Their new terms will be from January 1, 2014-December 31, 2017.

Cemetery Report – Jim Gillis, Cemetery Director, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Gillis had nothing new to report. Bill Lagrou reported that he has been in contact with Progressive Insurance about the status of the accident with damage to the cemetery on SR 53. The semi was a total loss and Progressive is waiting for a bill from EPA.

Zoning Report – David Schwartz, Zoning Inspector, was present to meet with the Board. He sent a zoning violation to Dawn Ruiz at 1585 E. State Street for a shed with no permit.

Park Board Report – Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou were present for Park Board report. The Park Board minutes of December 9, 2013 are entered into the minutes. Mr. Lagrou reported that the bells were vandalized on Ballville Bridge. The Sandusky County Park

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District grant application was discussed. The Park Board will be applying as follows: 0-\$1,000 – Sand and Water table, \$1,000 - \$3,000 – Dragonfly seesaw and \$3,000-\$10,000-Tree swing. Resolution 2013-11 was approved to apply for the Park District funding.

Mr. Lagrou reported that Sandusky County Engineer was told that the lighting across Tindall Bridge would be at a cost of \$10,000. The County will not pursue this lighting due to the cost.

Ron Zenisak contacted Mr. Lagrou about removal of a tree that fell on the property adjacent to him on Cole Road. The township has no jurisdiction to remove the tree as it is on private property.

Road Report – Bill Lagrou, Road Superintendent, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Lagrou discussed electrical issues with truck #5.

Larry Bowers asked Mr. Lagrou if the township could pay half of the cost of augering out the ditch on the rear of the property. The township has no jurisdiction to help with the cost as it is on private property.

Mr. Kusmer reported that he was contacted by Chris Mock of Sandusky County EMA that the grant was received for the installation of an additional weather warning siren in Ballville Township. A discussion was held on placing the siren near the SR 53/CR 41 area.

The Board received a bill from Sandusky County Park District for 1/3 of the cost of tree removal from the Mull Covered Bridge. Ballville Township's share was \$300.00.

The township received a check from OSS Solid Waste for storm damage reimbursement from July 10th wind storm. The reimbursement was in the amount of \$4,309.20.

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the following transfer of line item appropriations be approved: Transfer \$1,228.87 from Road Fund 04-A-10 to Road Fund 04-A-05, \$2,500.00 from Road Fund 04-A-06 to Road Fund 04-A-05, \$3,000.00 from Gas Tax Fund 03-A-10 to Gas Tax Fund 03-A-02, and \$3,000.00 from Road Fund 04-A-10 to Road Fund 04-A-02. 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.

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Moved by Mr. Stotz and seconded by Mr. Geyer that the motion to adjourn be rescinded. Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the Fire Contract for Old Fort Fire Dept. be renewed at a 3% increase, the same as Green Springs Volunteer Fire Dept., as follows: January 1-December 31, 2014 - \$7,595.00, January 1 – December, 2015 - \$7,825.00 and January 1-December 31, 2016.- \$8,055.00. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes. Motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kay Gabel, Fiscal Officer

Chairman