

BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

December 2, 2014

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

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the minutes of November 18, 2014, be approved as written. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

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

Total Bills - \$22,498.60

Total Receipts - \$8,311.47

Cash Total - \$969,808.61

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

Chris Glover was present to observe the meeting.

James Moyer, Sandusky County Engineer, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Moyer reviewed the plans for the Stahl Road drainage project with the Board. The plans have been sent to ODNR for approval and Mr. Moyer is expecting the approval in the new few weeks. He stated that the current construction estimate is \$240,000.00 plus incidentals. He detailed \$40,000 in special assessments that will be assessed to the project, such as \$1,500.00 per Morrison Road home with drainage issues, \$6,000.00 for culvert, which will be the township's responsibility, enclosing open ditch cost of \$13,000.00 which would be paid by property owner, and \$4,500.00 for farmland owners experiencing drainage problems. This would leave a balance of \$200,000.00 for the project. He is asking that the township consider paying \$100,000.00 toward the project to help decrease the assessments. He stated that the project would probably be bid in March after all hearings are completed. The Board will discuss his request when all board members are present.

Cemetery Board – Jack Ferguson and Jim Gillis, Cemetery Directors, were present to meet with the Board. Mr. Lagrou reported that leaves were picked up at Oakwood Cemetery that had been raked to the road.

At 6:00 P.M. the auction of the 1995 GMC Truck was to be conducted, but no bidders were present. Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that Resolution 2014-15 be adopted as follows: A Resolution declaring that one 1995 GMC 3500 Truck with snow plow owned by the Board of Trustees of Ballville Township, Ohio, is no longer needed for township purposes and authorizing the sale of the same. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

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It was decided that the auction will be held again on January 6, 2015 with a minimum bid of \$8,000.00.

Mr. Stotz reported that Oakwood Cemetery Board –voted 3 to 3 to turn Oakwood Cemetery over to Ballville Township. One member abstained. There were concerns about how Ballville Township would spend the money. Mr. Glover stated that he was on the Board of Oakwood Cemetery and it was only a straw poll to determine the thoughts of the Board members, not an official vote. He stated that financially Oakwood Cemetery is holding their own.

Zoning Report – Dave Schwartz, Zoning Inspector, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Schwartz stated that things were slow and he had nothing to report.

Park Board Report – Bill Lagrou was present to meet with the Board. He stated that the bridge has been decorated for the holidays. He also informed the Board that he has completed criteria for EPA inspection of Conner Park.

Road Report – Bill Lagrou, Road Superintendent, was present to meet with the Board. He stated that three additional dumpsters have been added at the recycling station and there will be one less dump, only dumping on Tuesday and Friday. This is to avoid the early A.M. dump on Monday.

Christmas trees will be accepted at Conner Park from December 29th until January 10, 2015.

The following resolution was received from Sandusky County Commissioners -l Resolution 2014-331 ---Resolution Awarding Bid to RG Zachrich Construction, Inc. for the San-Mull Covered Bridge (PID 97196).

A discussion was held on Foxrun Condominium request to plant trees on the west side of Lewie Drive. Mr. Strickler has concerns about who pays for the trees if they are damaged by salt; he doesn't want the township to be responsible. Dale Reiter was present and stated that the Condominium Association has not made a decision.

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that the following line item transfer of appropriations be approved: Transfer General Fund 01-A-26 to General Fund 01-M-03 in the amount of \$5,000.00. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

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Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Stotz that Resolution #2014-16 be approved as follows: A Resolution pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Revised Code requesting the Sandusky County Auditor to certify to the Board of Trustees of Ballville Township; Ohio the total current tax valuation of Ballville Township, Ohio and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the renewal and replacement of a One (1.0) mill tax levy for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges within Ballville Township as authorized by Section 5705.19 (G). Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kay Gabel, Fiscal Officer

Chairman