

BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES      REGULAR MEETING

May 6, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David Stotz with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Trustee Richard Geyer and W. Robert Kusmer. Randal L. Strickler, Township Solicitor, was also present.

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Kusmer that the minutes of April 15, 2014, 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 - \$41,249.64

Total Receipts - \$28,926.29

Cash Total - \$1,130,588.38

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.

John Willey, Director, Sandusky County Regional Planning, was present to meet with the Board. A discussion was held on removal of junk vehicles in the township. Mr. Strickler stated that two different options are available to the Board of Trustees through Ohio statute: Notice can be send ordering removal or storage of the vehicle or a resolution can be adopted ordering the vehicle be towed if the vehicle is not moved or placed under storage. Mr. Strickler recommended to the Board that they send the letter asking that the vehicle be stored or concealed and then as a second option, order the vehicle removed or it will be towed.

Phil Klausz was present and asked if this included recreation or marine vehicles and Mr. Strickler stated that those vehicles are not covered in the statute, but could be covered in zoning.

Mr. Willey stated that he would like to encourage townships to work toward cleaning up junk vehicles as it is a county-wide problem.

Mr. Kusmer stated that he feels storage means "under roof", not hidden in weeds or behind the barn. He feels this should be spelled out in the resolution. Mr. Strickler will place this language in the resolution and will also specify David Schwartz as the person who will enforce this resolution, with Bill Lagrou as backup.

At 6:00 P.M. it was moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Kusmer that the 2014 Road Bids acceptance be closed. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried. The Engineer's Estimate for this project is \$118,000.00.

May 6, 2014

The following road bids were received:

Erie Blacktop, Inc. - \$117,707.50

Gerken Paving - \$105,497.50

Kokosing Construction - \$101,792.10

M&B Asphalt Co. Inc. - \$98,466.00

Jim Moyer, Sandusky County Engineer, was present to review the bids. Moved by Mr. Kusmer and seconded by Mr. Geyer that M&B Asphalt Co. Inc. be awarded the road bid as low bidder in the amount of \$98,466.00 pending review and approval of the bids by Jim Moyer, Sandusky County Engineer. Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

The Board asked Mr. Moyer about the status of the Stahl Road drainage project. Mr. Moyer stated that the project design should be completed by this fall.

Cemetery Board – Jack Ferguson and Jim Gillis, Cemetery Directors, were present to meet with the Board. Mr. Gillis stated that the Cemetery Board reorganized earlier in the day as follows: Jim Gillis – Chairman and Jack Ferguson – Vice President. John Willey is interested in joining the Cemetery Board and will send a letter to the Fiscal Officer requesting appointment.

A discussion was held on erection of a Veterans Monument in McGormley Cemetery. After discussion and review of plans, it was moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Kusmer that a Veterans Memorial be erected at McGormley with an approximate cost of \$27,000.00. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried. Grants will also be pursued for this project. Mr. Gillis commended and thanked Mr. Kusmer for design of the monument.

Harold Knudsen was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Knudsen discussed obtaining additional land for McGormley Cemetery.

Mr. Lagrou stated that PERSO, the adjuster for OTARMA, will be sending a check for the repair and restoration of the stones in Hill Cemetery damaged in traffic accident from last fall. The check will be issued less the deductible, and they will try to recoup deductible from the insurance of the driver involved in the accident.

Mr. Knudsen asked about the status of Oakwood Cemetery being turned over to the township. The Board informed him that we have heard nothing about this potential transfer. Mr. Knudsen is planning to attend the Annual Oakwood Cemetery Board meeting in May.

BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR

May 6, 2014

The Board of Trustees signed a Cemetery Deed for Nicole M. Sours – Section #12, Lot #17, Grave #6 in McGormley Cemetery.

Mr. Knudsen discussed the Hayes Avenue water line project. He stated that he is in favor of the project and commended the Board for being involved in the project.

Zoning Report – David Schwartz, Zoning Inspector, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Schwartz discussed a violation letter sent to Richard Koebel on 1757 Buchanan Road from the Sandusky County Health Department. The Health Dept. will give Mr. Koebel two weeks to clean up the items on his property.

Park Board Report – Bill Lagrou, Park Superintendent, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Lagrou discussed opening up the concession stand for the summer season. Park Board minutes of April 14, 2014, are entered into the minutes.

A check was received from EMC Insurance Companies for \$19,820.00 for Eddie Heard Fire at 205 St. Paul Drive. This check will be held in escrow until the property is cleaned up.

A deposit of \$5,532.25 was paid to American Signal Company for the downpayment on the weather warning siren.

Road Report – Bill Lagrou, Road Superintendent, was present to meet with the Board. Mr. Lagrou notified the County Engineer that Ballville Township will not be participating in the road striping contract this year.

Mr. Lagrou researched cost of pressure washer for the undercarriage wash that the Board is considering purchaseing. The prices he received were as follows: Enzo's - \$2,990.00, Stracker Tractor Sales - \$1,570.00, and Bay Tractor - \$529.00 and \$569.00. This will be discussed further at a later date.

Moved by Mr. Kusmer and seconded by Mr. Geyer that the following be hired as summer employees at \$8.00 per hour: Abby Hasselbach, effective May 6, 2014, Jon Leemaster, effective May 6, 2014, and Maxwell Chudzinski, effective May 16, 2014. Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the drainage project on Buchanan Road and Richard Drive. Different options were discussed.

BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR

May 6, 2014

Moved by Mr. Kusmer and seconded by Mr. Geyer that a 2015 For 450 Truck be purchased from Bauman Genoa at a cost of \$40,149.10. Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried. Mr. Lagrou will check into ODOT State purchasing for the truck bed and a decision will be made on this at a later date.

Ohio Estate Tax Charge: Marguerite Schrader - \$825.54 – Ballville Township – 80%.

Moved by Mr. Geyer and seconded by Mr. Kusmer that the following Then and Not Certificates be approved: Adkins Sanitation - \$1,050.00 – Road Fund and Motorists Life Insurance - \$6,136.46 – General Fund. Mr. Geyer, yes, Mr. Kusmer, yes, Mr. Stotz, yes. Motion carried.

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