

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

February 27, 2012

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday February 27, 2012 to transact business. Chairman Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Guy Bainum, Bari Henning and Gary Jordan answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Lucy Snell, Ed Boll, Richard Malott, Yvonne Malott and Ken Wylie.

Mr. Bainum motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Henning second. All yeas. Mr. Carson presented a financial report, including a comprehensive account of expenditures and receipts and the trustees accepted it.

Mr. Henning motioned to pay the attached bills. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Lucy Snell said that she is here to represent the Harmony Hill Association. She said that they have hosted various groups at their building and have sponsored many civic groups in the community. She invited everyone to attend the events that they have. She said that they annually take students to the Rankin House and pay for it, but the schools have always provided busing in the past, but are not able to do it this year. She said that they offer free space to the county even though they have cut their budget and can't pay for the space any more. She asked the trustees to set aside future funds to help with their organization as they do so much for the community. She said that she had an old map of the township from the 1800's and she had it framed and presented it to the trustees to thank them for their past support.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She said that she is waiting on a response from the county about the smells on State Route 133 near Bass Road. She said that David Durham has gone over the Sexually Oriented Business zoning resolution and may want to meet to refine it.

Mr. Henning said that Mr. Whiteman couldn't be here tonight due to family commitments, but had called to inform him that all equipment is up and running and he confirmed the clean-up dates of June 7-9 and October 4-6 with Rumpke. He said that Mr. Whiteman was concerned that we didn't buy enough salt this year from our contract with Carghill. He said that he contacted Carghill and we are under no obligation to buy any more salt, but he did have a delivery this week of 25 tons which has filled the salt bins. Mr. Jordan said that we are very proud of Chief Malott for being nominated for the Shriner's award and wishes him luck in getting it.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wylie said over a 3 year period, we had 33 fire runs and 38 life squad runs to Mt. Orab and they came to assist us 6 times. He reminded the trustees that the runs are billable through our billing company to recoup some of the money. Mr. Henning said that he is very concerned that Mt. Orab has a big area to cover and they don't seem to be able to handle what they have to cover now and he thinks that we'll have to cover them more and more through mutual aid. Mr. Wylie said that their radios will need to be re-banded again due to changes at the county, but some of them may not be able to be re-banded. He said that the Chief's Alliance is putting in for a \$1 million grant and we would have to cover 20%. He said that it probably won't be done until next spring. He said that we need 20 radios at \$5,000/each. He said that he turned in for fire and EMS grants and a SAFER grant, but there aren't any assurances if we'll get any of them. He said that we had signed a contract for \$50/class for online computer classes last year and that company sold to another company and the training was cheaper and they made good on the commitment at the lower costs. He said that the computers that they have at the firehouse are old and slow and they want to buy a few new ones to replace the old ones and use them for training. Mr. Jordan motioned to allow them to buy the computers for training. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Mr. Bainum said that he attended the meeting that CECOS held in Jackson Township to talk about the closure plan. He asked if we are prepared to handle any situation and Mr. Wylie said that they would probably have to call in a Hazmat team from the county. He said that they are aware of hazardous materials, but don't know how to handle it. Mr. Henning said that we are 15 years into the post closure plan and have 15 more years to go. At the end of the next 15 years, the EPA will look at it to determine if they need to continue monitoring it. Mr. Jordan said that he attended that township association banquet committee meeting and is reviewing our vendor list for solicitation for sponsors for the banquet. He said that the banquet is on April 19 at Grant Career Center. Mr. Jordan said that the Chamber contacted the Williamsburg Emergency Mission and gave them 2 free tickets for their members and additional tickets can be purchased on line or by calling the Chamber. Mr. Jordan said that we received an email from the county saying that they are awarding "rolling stock" as grant eligible from CDBG. Mr. Henning suggested that Jason Pollitt attend the next meeting to gather information on what is needed and eligible with this grant. He said that the Park District is applying for another grant to fund the next phase of the hike/bike trail and asked for a letter of recommendation and he said that he prepared it. Mr. Jordan said that he would like to have reports prepared from departments before the meeting given to the trustees so that they can review the requests before the meeting so that they can be better prepared to participate in the conversation without having to work off of the cuff. He said an example is an upcoming conference to give the # of attendees and all costs associated with it. He said that we recently sent someone to training around the Kings Island area and it included lodging and he felt like they could have driven like we required the fire department to drive to the Wilmington conference last year. He said that he is afraid that maybe he didn't ask the right questions and would like information in advance in the future. Mr. Henning said that he agreed and thinks it's a great idea to have reports in writing so that they can review as it is being discussed. Mr. Jordan said that we had a great discussion last year on the SOG's and how we can mirror them to the policies and procedures manual. He asked everyone to review the first 20 pages of the SOG's for discussion.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:20 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman