

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

April 11, 2011

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday April 11, 2011 to transact business. Chairman Henning 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, Earl Whiteman, Yvonne Malott, Wayne Allison, Jim Maynard, Sandra Maynard, Deputy John Schaefer and Ed Boll.

Mr. Jordan motioned to approve the minutes of the March 28 meeting. Mr. Henning second. Mr. Jordan and Mr. Henning-Yeas. Mr. Bainum-Abstained. Mr. Bainum motioned to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2011 special meeting. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas. Mr. Carson presented a financial report, including a comprehensive account of expenditures and receipts and the trustees accepted it.

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

Sheriff Report

Deputy Schaefer said that they have been very busy with break-ins in various townships and they traced them to a Williamsburg Township resident. He said that we have been very fortunate in our township that there haven't been that many break-ins.

Mr. Maynard said that he would like to see his neighbor Wayne Allison's property improved. He said that he understands that Mr. Allison is collecting scrap metal and recycling it and he respects a man wanting to work, but he asks that he would keep his property cleaned up and not dump it into his yard. Mr. Allison said that he hauls loads in and hauls loads out. He said that sometimes he has to unload the stuff to use the trailer, but then loads it back up and hauls it back out. Mr. Allison said that he understands that his understanding is that he has 30 days to haul out the stuff. Mr. Henning said that this isn't correct. He said that he can't have continual junk on his property and can't just haul in an old piece of scrap metal and leave it sit for 30 days and replace it with another one, because that is continual junk even if it's being changed out for new junk. Mr. Allison said that he started building a building last year until he found out that he needed a zoning permit, so he applied for a zoning permit. He said that he stopped building it because the weather turned bad. He said that he is trying to comply with the set back requirements and so he is moving the buildings that are newer, but said that he isn't going to move the really old building, because it was in place before zoning and should be grandfathered in. He said that the neighbor's have questioned his van, but he said that it's operational and is licensed, which should meet zoning requirements. He said that they have questioned his pool, but he said that it has 4 ½ foot high walls and the collapsible ladder makes it meet zoning requirements and Mrs. Malott agreed. Mr. Maynard said that the old shed that Mr. Allison doesn't want to move was actually located on the other side of the property years and years ago, but Mr. Allison moved it. Mr. Henning asked if this was correct and Mr. Allison admitted that he had moved it about 12 years ago because the county told him that it was on his leach lines. Mr. Allison asked if he could appeal that with the zoning board of appeals and Mrs. Malott said yes he could appeal it. Mr. Allison asked why this building is now an issue after 12 years. Mr. Henning said that it was never brought to our attention in the past, but now that we know about it via a complaint, he must comply. Mr. Henning said that it sounds like the pool is fine and the van is fine, but he needs to make sure he's not leaving junk all over the yard and he needs to make sure the buildings meet set back requirements. Mr. Allison said that he has applied for zoning and building permits for a 30 x 48 building that he is starting to build.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. Mr. Bainum asked about the Kandace and Steven Williams property, because they don't have a fence around their pool and they have trash all over their property. She said that she has contacted them and deny the trash. She said that she contacted the board of health and they came out and said that this type of trash wasn't in their jurisdiction, but did notice some tires and they told them to remove the tires. She said that the property owners dug a big hole and buried the tires and trash, but didn't pick up all of the trash. She said that they are required to put some type of pad, such as concrete or blacktop over their culvert pipe and she talked to the county engineer and they told her that they know it's the law, but there is no mechanism in the law to enforce it. She said that these people also moved into their house without getting an approved building permit and she said that there is nothing that the building department can do about it. She said that she had a complaint about 3641 Cobb Road, because a lady is renting an apartment in their barn and she said that she has paid \$1,600 in cash for 4 months rent, because the landlord told her that he only accepts cash and doesn't give receipts, because he's not turning it into his taxes. This lady said that the landlord cut off the tenant's water. She said that she notified the building department, because there isn't supposed to be a residence in that barn. She said that she contacted our prosecutor and the prosecutor suggested sending a form 3949A to the IRS to notify them of a person not reporting their income and so she did. Mrs. Malott said that the property at 628 East Main Street is still a mess and needs to be mowed. She said that the neighbors are complaining about "questionable" visitors to this property and these visitors are parking at the vacant house next door that is for sale. Mr. Bainum said that he will talk to the property owner again about the zoning issues. Deputy Schaefer said that he is very familiar with this property and has had problems there over the years.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman said that they replaced the road pipes over spring break and the scrappers have been circling the old metal pipes like crazy, but he said that he will take care of getting rid of them. Mr. Whiteman said that the trustees had talked to him about a 5 year plan for equipment. He said that some of the vehicles are getting old, but the oldest is a 2000 model with only 58,000 miles on it. He said that the backhoes are in good shape and lower hours on them. He said that we need a new mower every year or two, but other than that, he feels everything looks fine for the next 5 years. He said that Equipment Maintenance and Repair is now officially closed. He said that most of the close dealers that we have been dealing with are now closed and we have to travel farther to get equipment and parts. Mr. Henning asked how the flash fill turned out and Mr. Whiteman said that it worked out very well. He said that he was concerned about the plastic pipes floating on Todds Run Foster, but it worked out very well. Mr. Carson asked Mr. Whiteman to call ODOT and notify them that all of the lights are out around the Half Acre Road interchange. The trustees asked how he felt about manpower for mowing before Memorial Day and Mr. Whiteman said that they are in good shape and would work his guys extra hours if needed.

Mr. Henning said that it's time to start thinking about printing the newsletter, so he asked everyone to get articles if they have any. Mr. Bainum said that we received a letter from the American Legion asking us to attend the ceremony at the cemetery on Memorial Day.

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Mr. Jordan motioned to adjourn at approximately 7:50 p.m. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman