

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

June 28, 2010

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday June 28, 2010 to transact business. Chairman Bainum called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Guy Bainum and Bari Henning answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Yvonne Malott, Ken Wylie, Pat Rutherford, Earl Whiteman, Ed Boll, Ross Wilmoth and Joe Berger.

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

Mr. Berger said that he paid the township \$250 for the hearing that was held about his property. He said that he has seen a lot of things in his day including people burned to death and he's never seen anything as disgusting as what happened at the meeting the other night. He said that he was ambushed and it was so far off track that he couldn't believe what he heard. He said that he got cussed out and the meeting even had to stop briefly. He demanded that he get his money back for the meeting, or else he would take it to court. He said that his business has been established since 2008. He said that all of the properties that are zoned like his are illegal, just like his, because you can't live on industrially zoned properties. He said that he was disappointed in what happened the other night and would take the township to small claims court over the \$250 and then go to other courts for the rest of the matters. Mr. Henning said that we would not give his money back and he needed to take it to court if he needed. Mr. Berger said that he wants a copy (free of charge) of the zoning meeting minutes. He said that the trustees need to read them and if they don't agree it's the worst thing they've ever heard, then they need to resign. Mr. Bainum said that we would furnish the minutes to him.

Mr. Bainum gave a copy of a report from the county auditor stating the Duke Energy is planning to cut back on what they are paying on taxes and it would affect all townships, schools, etc. According to the report, Williamsburg Township will lose about \$6,722 for the 2nd half taxes and then each half thereafter. The letter also stated that Duke Energy is trying to reduce their taxes even further.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman said that Kelch did the minor repairs on the John Deere tractor, but told him that the oil leak would be quite costly. He said that it's leaking pretty bad, but needs to be fixed. The trustees agreed. Mr. Whiteman gave a copy of a quote from Hacker's Paving and Sammon's Excavating for paving/repairing Hockstock Road. Hacker's bid is \$6,240 and Sammon's is \$7,780. Mr. Henning motioned to hire Hacker's Paving to pave/repair Hockstock Road at a cost of \$6,240. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Whiteman said that all equipment is up and running OK other than the John Deere, which he will take back to Kelch for repair. Mr. Bainum said that Guy Murray's daughter called. Mr. Whiteman said that there are 10 graves left in Mr. Murray's name. Mr. Bainum said that the three daughters and one son are arguing about who gets which of these graves.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wylie said that he received a couple of estimates for repairing the leaking roof. He said that Ray St. Clair Roofing gave him an estimate of about \$77,000. He said that it was basically a new roof and we didn't need to go that route. He said that Day Roofing gave him an estimate of about \$1,485 to do the appropriate repairs and he felt like they are doing quite a bit of repairs for that amount of money. Mr. Henning motioned to hire Day Roofing at a cost of about \$1,485 to do the necessary roof repairs. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Wylie reminded everyone that Mary McCarty's last day is Wednesday and they are having a retirement party for her from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. He said that he talked to the village about inspecting the fire hydrants. He said that they are very reluctant based on the person that used to inspect them that worked for the fire department, but is now gone and moved to another state. He said that they agreed to let our fire department inspect them along with the village water department staff. He said that Higginsport picked up the old ambulance and Pierce Twp picked up the boat. He said that they will be holding the CPR classes very soon. He said that Angela Pollitt has been very instrumental in getting this stuff done and has been doing a great job. He said that her job description doesn't really describe what she is doing and the position doesn't have any authority, however he wants to give her some more authority so that people will listen to her. He asked the trustees to think about revising her job description/title if needed.

Mr. Wilmoth asked if the township hall was ever rented. He said that he lives two doors down from the building and would be interested in renting it. Mr. Henning said that we have never rented the building due to insurance purposes.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. Mr. Bainum introduced Pat Rutherford and said that he would like to see her accept the secretary for the Zoning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals due to Mrs. Mueller's resigning. Mr. Bainum motioned to hire Pat Rutherford at a rate of \$13.19/hour as Zoning Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals Secretary effective immediately. Mr. Henning second. All yeas. Mr. Bainum asked what the anonymous caller wanted to know about the building being done at 3400 Sprague Lane. She said that she didn't show a record of any building being done on that property, but someone had applied for a garage permit at 3406 Sprague Lane and she assumes that the caller was probably incorrect about the address that they left on the answering machine. She said that the Clermont County Building Department didn't show any record of a permit, so she faxed the zoning permit to them and they were planning to visit the property. Mr. Henning asked if she had followed up about the complaint that he had about a property on his road. She said that she had sent a letter and there were a few problems with the property with compliance. She said that she visited Core Composites with Mr. Bainum. She said that they had hired 8 people and hoped to be hiring more people. She said that the old BP gas station in front of Wendy's on James E. Sauls Sr. Drive opened over the weekend.

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

Fiscal Officer

Chairman