

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

July 14, 2014

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday July 14, 2014 to transact business. Vice Chairman Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Guy Bainum and Gary Jordan answered the roll call. Also present were Yvonne Malott, Kevin Wiedemann, Jeff Uckotter, Ed Boll and Brian Tatman.

Mr. Bainum motioned to approve the minutes of the last 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. Jordan motioned to pay the attached bills. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Jeff Uckotter, Field Representative for U.S. Representative Brad Wenstrup, gave short explanation of what Representative Wenstrup is doing. Mr. Jordan wanted an open discussion on how 3D technology will be affecting the populace, in training and jobs. He said that grants that effect small communities are hard to get because larger communities are first. He said the money that has been taken from small communities has a deep concern for how they can keep heads above water. He asked when is the State going to make up for the dollars lost. Mr. Uckotter said to call their office and speak with Sheri Corbin, because she may have some answers but he does not. Mr. Jordan said he was proud that Congressman Wenstrup is helping the Veterans.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. Mrs. Malott and Mr. Bainum had gone to 628 E. Main St. to inspect their property to see if they were in compliance with Clermont County Mediation Court and found they were in compliance and Mr. Bainum offered assistance in keeping their property from going back to Court. Mrs. Malott handed out copies of the 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBC) Program from Andy Kuchta, Director of Community & Economic Development Department. She asked for the Trustees to add 3428 St. Rt. 133 to the nuisance list for the Township. She would be inspecting to see if anything has been done before she sent out a violation letter. She noted that one of the properties on the last list had mowed their property.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Tatman had a copy of the M/D Solution Grant which can help replace highway reflective signs. He said larger areas get the money first & then dwindle down from there whether smaller communities get any money. He said the grass has been cut on Cain Run Rd, Ashton Rd., Cobb Rd. and part of Musgrove Road. He said that at the end of July and the first of August they would be getting ready for school to start. He said he has applied for 100 tons of salt and will be getting the price in September. He said right now the salt bins are full and are good for the beginning of winter. He said Musgrove Rd. Bridge and curve have been cut as much as they are allowed but visibility is still a problem so he will inspect area to see if there is anything else they can do. He stated at the end of June there were 39 burials compared to 2013 which had 30 and 8 cremations compared to 5 in 2013, average burials for past years is 68 per year. He said that he will have the information on the dump truck that the Township is selling at the next meeting.

Emergency Services Report

Assistant Chief Kevin Wiedemann stated that a FEMA Grant was awarded to Goshen to be the regional grant recipient for portable radios and the Grant will provide each actual fire station one 6-bank charger and 20 radios. He said the cost for one station charger will be \$59.10 and the cost for each portable radio will cost \$373. He said a single station department with one charger and 20 radios the 10% match will be \$7,519.10. He said Goshen had received a \$23,000 Grant for a Hearst Tool. He said that at the present time there are approximately 45 members of the Department. He said there is a new member – Christopher Meyer, who lives on Todd's Run Road and has 25 years and three tours in Mideast. He said the Department is trying pre-interviews for new members, agility test and meeting with the Officers. He said that Mr. Meyer did well in both categories. Mr. Bainum motioned to put Christopher Meyer on for one year probation. Mr. Jordan second. All Yeas. He said that the accident with the pickup was investigated by Assistant Chief Wiedemann, David Knapke and Perry Bennett. He said that they may suggest a change to the S.O.G.s concerning crossing State Route 32. Mr. Bainum had asked if the Department needed an automatic hose reel, because his understanding was that it saved time and many ergonomic problems that are happening now. Assistant Chief answered that would be good as they are doing the hose by hand and it is very hard on human backs.

Mr. Jordan had an update from Mrs. Morrow through an e-mail. He will be composing a letter outlining his findings and what steps to follow if the subject rises again. This would be appropriate. Mr. Bainum – has, again, contacted Steve Mary at ODOT concerning the road conditions of Half Acre Road and asked that the least they could do is patch the blacktop as soon as possible. Mr. Bainum also spoke with Clermont County Commissioner Ed Humphries on the County's portion of Half Acre Rd. and the condition of the roadway and all Mr. Humphrey said was it is in the plan.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:05 p.m. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman