

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

July 09, 2018

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday July 09, 2018 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 Yvonne Malott, Kevin Wiedemann, Brian Tatman, Adele Evans, Richard Malott, Ed Boll and Matt Earley.

Mr. Bainum motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

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

Adele Evans, Assistant Director of Clermont County Department of Community & Economic Development, requested that the Board of Trustees take action on a Rural Enterprise Zone tax abatement agreement with terms of 20% for 10 years. Duke Realty is purchasing 46 acres at South Afton Industrial Park to construct a \$17 million 617,000 square foot distribution facility. Duke Realty's proposed tenant, Design Within Reach, Inc. is considering the South Afton site and at least one other site in Pennsylvania. The project is contingent on local and state tax incentives being approved. The tenant would commit to 85 new jobs to Williamsburg Township. The abatement will go before the Clermont County Commissioners on Wednesday, July 25 and the state incentives will be acted on by the Ohio Tax Credit Authority board on July 30. Mr. Jordan motioned to approve a 20% tax abatement for Design Within Reach, Inc. and Duke Realty for 10 years. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Matt Earley, Williamsburg Schools Superintendent, spoke in favor of the project and complimented the cooperation of the Village, the Township and the School Board working together to make great strides for the improvement of the school system and the residents. The new company will bring in employment to those living in the area and money that the school will be able to use for education of all students.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. Mrs. Malott had called the Township attorney, Mr. Ramos, to find if the Ohio Revised Code required the Township to have grass mowed two times a year during the summer months. Mr. Ramos found no limit or times that any Township should have the grass mowed. If there was a mowing resolutions in the Zoning book then the Township should follow those notations. She then explained sending a courtesy letter a property owner's daughter for high grass and unlicensed vehicles violations. The daughter had call and explained that her mother had passed away three years ago and the daughter had contacted an attorney because Medicare had gotten involved. Mr. Bainum asked if Mrs. Malott would call the Township attorney to ask if there was anything that the Township could do to get property cleaned. She answered she would call him.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Tatman said Brown County Asphalt did not know about bidding process for Hageman's Crossing Road and they are interested but are backed up because of the rains that have caused delays. They will figure a price for the blacktopping and let him know. There has been no response from Barrett Company for the blacktopping. While mowing they found a pipe that was washed out on Todd Run Foster Rd. It is an 18" or 24" pipe they will repair. Will see if flash fill is needed. We will be cold patching several roads in the Township. Salt Compost Company is requiring that all Townships must place 80% of their orders. We need to take it and pay for it whether take it or not take it. Williamsburg Township storage bins can hold that amount some of the other Township do not have the storage areas. We need to decide by July 13. Batavia & Pierce Township want to discuss the percentage. Mr. Henning said to wait to hear from others on the 13th for their decision. Then can proceed to call the company.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wiedemann said that he had nothing to report, because he just got back from vacation.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 7:35 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman