

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

February 11, 2008

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday February 11, 2008 to transact business. Chairman Henning called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Guy Bainum, Bari Henning and Jim Taylor answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Earl Whiteman, Deputy John Schaeffer and Yvonne Malott.

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

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

Sheriff Report

Deputy Schaeffer said that things are about the same. He apologized to Mr. Bainum for not copying some paperwork, but will get him copies soon. He said that he is still writing tickets on the new straight stretch on State Route 133.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman said that the sewer line at the township hall is full of roots. He said that they rented something from EZ Rent All and ran it through the pipe and it is flowing a little bit, but they need to dig out the roots when the weather clears. He said that at the intersection of West Fork Ridge and Eastfork Valley Drive, the water is standing, because the pipes won't handle the water. He said that he called the county engineer about the problem and they told him that they don't make mistakes, so it should be OK. Mr. Taylor said that he stirred up the County Commissioner's office over the problems on the roads in the Commons of Eastfork Subdivision and Mr. Whiteman might be receiving some of the backlash from it. Mr. Whiteman described all of the water that runs into the intersection and the water comes from every direction and it's too much for the pipes to handle. He said that the trucks are fueled, full of salt and ready to go and the guys are coming in at 4:00 a.m. to start plowing the roads for the big snow that's coming tonight. Mr. Henning asked how many acres are in the cemetery. Mr. Whiteman said that it's approximately 35 acres in the front part being used now and 14 more in the back that is not used yet. Mr. Henning said that he is still researching cemetery software. He said that he looked at some software at the State Convention. Mr. Henning said that he is researching new trucks to replace the F550. Mr. Whiteman said that he wanted to go a little bigger than the F550, but not so big that it would require a CDL to drive. Mr. Henning said that he doesn't think we can go any bigger without requiring a CDL, but the new F550's have more horsepower than the old one.

Mr. Henning asked if the warning sirens are working. Mrs. Malott said that she heard the one in the village on test day, but isn't sure if the others are working. Mr. Henning said that he would like to have our fire department go the different sirens on test day to see if they are working and Mrs. Malott said that the Chief is currently doing this and she is in charge of listening to the one at the township hall, but she had already left the building the other day. Mr. Henning said that he would like to look at the maps of the township and investigate how much it might cost to add a couple more. The other trustees thought this might be a good idea.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. Mr. Taylor said that he is going to try to schedule a meeting with Steve Wharton about what was presented with the Eastern Corridor Study. Mr. Taylor thinks we should discuss set back requirements for zoning around State Route 32. Mrs. Malott said that she has asked ODOT about the requirements and asked the county about them also and neither department wants to give her the requirements, however when things have been built they have complained about what the zoning department allowed. Mrs. Malott said that she asked Steve Wharton if he knew of anyone that we could talk to about looking at our zoning resolution book and he hasn't given her any names yet, so she is going to bug him some more. She said that sometimes college students who are studying this will often do some of this work. She said that the village administrator called to see if we received paperwork from the County Commissioner about a meeting with the Commissioners and they had set up a meeting for September 24 at 7:30 at the village hall. The trustees agreed to have a joint meeting with the village and the Commissioners. She said that she took some pictures on the property at 628 East Main Street and she is taking the pictures to the County Board of Health to let them know what the property looks like and she is also preparing to go the mediation over the junk.

Mr. Henning said that Thursday March 13 is the Clermont 20/20 Salute to Leaders dinner and we nominated the Williamsburg Rotary Club. Mr. Taylor said that the girl scouts are having some type of program and asked the trustees to attend, but he said that he can't attend. Mr. Henning said that he can't attend, but Mr. Bainum said that he needs to read the letter again, because he is very involved with boy scouts.

Mr. Henning said that he attended the Public Records training at the State Convention on our behalf and we are now certified.

Mr. Taylor motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:35 p.m. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman