

# The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees

**May 14, 2007**

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday May 14, 2007 to transact business. Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. James Danbury, Bari Henning and Jim Taylor answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Pat McDonald, Sheila Lung, Andy Lung, Yvonne Malott, Earl Whiteman and Allen Heimbald.

Mr. Taylor announced that he is opening the meeting to conduct a special auction and read the advertisement that was published in the newspaper. Mr. Lung said that he is concerned that survey stakes were put in his yard on Friday and according to the stakes, his septic is on township property, but he would like time to confirm that those stakes are correct so that he knows that he needs to bid on it or not. Mr. Taylor said that he feels that the property was advertised per ORC and if it's on township property, then Mr. Lung should have known that when he put in the septic tank. Mr. Henning said that the township had the property surveyed in 2001 when Mr. Lung wanted to put in his septic tank and since Mr. Lung had the septic put in and didn't ask to bid on the property, it wasn't sold back then. Mr. McDonald said that he just had the property surveyed. Nichols surveying had surveyed it for the township in 2001 and they did the survey again for Mr. McDonald and the trustees reviewed it and it doesn't look like it changed. Mr. Danbury said that according to the survey, the Lung's septic system is clearly on the township property. The trustees agreed that since we advertised, then we need to sell it. Mr. Taylor said that he would open the bid at \$3,300, which was the minimum bid set by the trustees, because this was the appraised value by our professional appraiser, Joel T. Wilson, Company, LTD. Mr. McDonald bid \$3,300. Hearing no other bids, Mr. Taylor awarded the bid to Mr. McDonald. Mr. McDonald gave the trustees a check for the full amount and asked that the deed be made to Mary F. McDonald 4042 Hageman's Crossing Road Williamsburg, Ohio 45176. Mr. Taylor said that he would have a Quit Claim Deed prepared. Mr. Danbury said that the property is sold As Is. Mr. Taylor said that we will hold the check for deposit until the Quit Claim Deed is prepared. Mr. Taylor said that ODOT wants the township to put a driveway pipe into this property off of State Route 133 where the road is being re-routed. He said that ODOT is requiring a 72 foot pipe. Mr. Taylor said that he is going to call ODOT to see if they will change the requirement. Mr. Henning explained that if we had not sold the land, then we would have had to put the pipe in to prevent the land from being landlocked, but now this is the new property owner's problem. Mr. McDonald said that he wants ODOT some stuff to create the culvert for him. Mr. Taylor said that he will call ODOT and ask them to contact Mr. McDonald. Mr. Danbury said that maybe ODOT would put in the pipe since they are re-routing the road. Mr. Henning said that we have no control over State Route 133 since it's a state road, so ODOT will have all of the requirements. Mr. McDonald said that he would like ODOT to get the road down to his property and he'd put in the pipe later.

Mr. Henning motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting with corrections as noted. Mr. Danbury second. All yeas. Mr. Carson presented a financial report, including a comprehensive account of expenditures and receipts and the trustees accepted it.

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

## **Cemetery & Maintenance Report**

Mr. Whiteman said that he received quotes from R. G. Hacker Services, Inc. and Houck Asphalt Maintenance for crack filling Hibbs Road and McKeever Schoolhouse Road. Houck quoted \$8,250 and Hacker quoted \$6,566. Mr. Henning asked if the quantities were the same from both companies and Mr. Whiteman said that they knew the requirements, so they should be. Mr. Danbury motioned to hire R. G. Hacker Services Inc. to do the job at a cost of around \$6,566. Mr. Henning second. All yeas. Mr. Whiteman said that he talked to the American Legion about putting up the flags for Memorial Day. Mr. Whiteman said that Mark Burba is going to start around the end of May. He said that he will be part time and will work from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mr. Danbury said that he drove through the cemetery the other night and there were a few cars parked down in the curve blocking the drive and the people were fishing. He said that he didn't call the Sheriff, but he wished that he would have. Mr. Danbury said that Mrs. Malott had received a complaint about the cemetery being mowed, so she gave the person that complained Mr. Whiteman's phone number. He said that the caller had asked him to call every time they mow so that she could remove their flowers. He said that there are several people that want them to do this, but he said that he won't, because the signs say that there are no flowers to be put in the cemetery.

Mr. Carson said that he has been talking to our prosecuting attorney about House Bill 694. He said that our prosecutor gave him a copy of an Affidavit in Compliance with ORC 3517.13. He explained that we need to have all suppliers fill out this affidavit if they don't meet the exemptions on the affidavit. Mr. Carson said that according to the prosecutor, this law was always in effect, but township trustees were exempt until this year.

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## Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She explained that she sent a letter to Mr. Lester about a partial wall that he built in front of his barn, because it didn't meet setback requirements. Mr. Taylor asked if we had any calls about the visits that the County Auditor is doing to re-appraise the properties in the township and she said that she hasn't had any complaints. Mr. Danbury said that our prosecutor said that Mr. Rice will be taken to court again and will probably be sent to jail, but asked if the township could hire someone to clean up the property and assess the Rice's taxes. The trustees agreed to keep pursuing this in court.

## Emergency Services Report

Mr. Malott said that he has talked to Medtronics about getting our heart 12 lead defibrillators reprogrammed to current requirements and we have three and they will cost around \$2,915/each. He said that a new one would cost about \$12,000/each, so it's much cheaper to reprogram them. Mr. Taylor motioned to approve the cost to reprogram them at a cost of around \$2,915/each. Mr. Danbury second. All yeas. Mr. Malott said that Mary Marshall would like to attend an EMS conference. Mr. Danbury motioned to approve Mary Marshall's expenses at this conference. Mr. Taylor second. All yeas. Mr. Malott said that we received no bids for the old fire truck that we were going to sell tonight, so we need to find another way to sell it. The trustees asked if we should sell it via auction or give it to a poor township in the State of Ohio. Mr. Malott said that he doesn't think anyone will bid on it, because it's too new to be an antique, but too old for most fire departments to "want". Mr. Danbury suggested that Mr. Malott talk to some small poor townships that might need it and can't afford it. Mr. Malott said that he will do some research. Mr. Malott said that they received a call to the Bastin residential home on Saturday on someone that was choking. He said that Jason Pollitt was working on his house a couple of doors down from this place and he ran over and saved the guy. Mr. Malott was very proud of him, because by the time that the ambulance would have arrived, this guy would have been a non-breather.

Mr. Danbury said that he gave the other trustees copies of the law on line fence that he received from our prosecutor. He said that the rules are very detailed and there is a lot of work involved if the trustees have to settle the dispute between the two property owners. He asked the other trustees to be prepared in case Mr. Yeager brings it to another meeting.

Mr. Danbury motioned to adjourn at approximately 9:15 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

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Fiscal Officer

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Chairman