

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

June 11, 2012

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday June 11, 2012 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 Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Jennifer Wiesmann, Yvonne Malott, Ken Wylie, Ed Boll, Earl Whiteman and Deputy John Schaefer.

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

Sheriff Report

Deputy Schaefer said that they have a suspect who admitted to about 9 or 10 burglaries in the Williamsburg and Batavia areas. He said that he arrested someone breaking into Met Fab recently and this has happened multiple times with this suspect. Mr. Jordan asked if there is physical danger to the owners of where someone is breaking in. Deputy Schaefer said that usually the criminals in these instances only break in when no one is around and they get in and out quickly and no one is ever physically harmed.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She said that she spoke with a friend of the owner of the old Valero station on James E. Sauls Sr. Drive to ask about the abandoned car and the friend said that the state has the information, but she doesn't know what that means. She said that her computer is very old and she is having problems with the county auditor website, because they upgraded their system and her computer is too old to work with it. She asked the trustees to get a new computer for the zoning department. The trustees agreed and asked Mr. Carson to purchase one for her if he can find a good deal. Mr. Carson said that he will research it and purchase one. She said that she sent out several letters today for high grass.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman said that they used 13 dumpsters and 2 compactor trucks and collected about 200 tires on junk days. He said that he got a call from Marjorie Burns at 4104 West Fork Ridge Drive saying that there is standing water in front of her house because there is a dip in the curb and he said that the blacktop is breaking up in that area also and he got a couple of quotes for repair in that area. He said that there are a total of 4 areas on West Fork Ridge Drive that need to be repaired. He said that he got a quote from Houck Asphalt Pavement and Hacker's Paving. Mr. Henning said that the price difference is very big, but it's because they aren't quoting the same thickness of blacktop or base, so it's not easy to compare the prices. Mr. Henning asked Mr. Whiteman to get a revised quote from Houck Asphalt for 6 inches of asphalt and 2 inches of base so that we have an apples to apples comparison. Mr. Whiteman said that they had a problem with scrappers taking metal from the dumpsters. He said that they were climbing in and out of dumpsters and they asked them to leave and then the scrappers moved to the corner of 8th and Gay Street and stopped vehicles as they came in. Mr. Jordan suggested posting a No Trespassing sign. Mr. Whiteman thinks we should request a Williamsburg Policeman to be on duty during junk days. He said that we used to have one years ago when we first started having junk days. Mr. Boll asked if we could get separate metal dumpsters so that we could raise money from it. Mr. Whiteman said that we tried to do that a few years ago and it didn't work, because the residents didn't want to take time to separate the junk, because they just wanted to throw it off the trucks and get out of there. He said that all of the equipment is up and running. Mr. Bainum said that he got a call from someone complaining about a big cross being placed on a grave until the stone marker arrives. Mr. Whiteman said that this cross was at least 6 feet tall and had strobe lights, flowers, etc. on it and they asked for it to be removed and it was removed.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wylie said that AFG grants became available today and he said that they plan to apply for some money. He said that the county has grants available for new radios and we would only have to pay about \$700 and the grant paid for about \$7,000. He said that they are quoting different ways to replace the oxygen bottles, which might include filling the bottle ourselves v/s having them replaced as needed. He said that the system that they use now was "homemade" by the department and it's can be quite dangerous at times, because there isn't a pressure regulator and they have had bottles explode. Mr. Wylie said that we need to adopt a resolution to approve the new Ohio Fire Code. Mr. Jordan motioned to pass Resolution #2-12 to adopt the 2011 Ohio Fire Code as published by the International Code Council, Inc. in order to guard against the occurrence of fires and to protect the property and lives of citizens against damage and accidents resulting therefrom. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Wylie said that he wants to send 2 or 3 people to Fire/Arson Fatality Fire Scene Investigation seminar at a cost of \$250/person plus meal per diem. Mr. Henning motioned to send up to 3 people to this seminar. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Henning motioned to go into executive session at approximately 8:30 p.m. per ORC 121.22 for the purpose of investigating a complaint against a public employee. Mr. Bainum second. Mr. Henning-Yea, Mr. Bainum-Yea, Mr. Jordan-Yea. Mr. Jordan motioned to return from executive session at approximately 9:15 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Mr. Jordan said that he would like to see the township and the village to have a meeting to make sure we are always on the same page. Mr. Henning said that we used to do that a few times a year and thinks it would be a good idea to chat and compare notes like we used to. Mr. Carson presented the Tax Budget for 2013 to the trustees. Mr. Henning motioned to approve the tax budget for 2013. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Jordan motioned to pass Resolution #3-12 accepting and agreement between the Williamsburg Township Trustees, the Clermont County Board of Commissioners and the Village of Williamsburg regarding a sewer service area delineation. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 9:30 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman