

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

July 8, 2013

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday July 8, 2013 for a zoning hearing for ZC1-13 and then will continue into regular session following. Chairman Bainum called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Guy Bainum and Gary Jordan answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Jim Sammons, Gary Morgan, Jamie Gibbs, Elaine Miller, Mary Ann Lefker, Ken Wylie, Ed Boll, Mark Morrow and Theresa Morrow.

Mr. Bainum said that the zoning commission met on June 27 and recommended a change for parcel #52-35-08D-020 on the northwest corner of Half Acre Road and Old State Route 32 from Residential 4 to Business 1. Mr. Jordan said that the corner lot looks good and is glad that they are creating jobs.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adopt the zone change 1-13 for parcel #52-35-08D-020 from R-4 to B-1. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas.

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

Mr. Bainum said that the county has had a few meetings regarding formulas for the distribution of the local government funds and presented a formula that most townships and villages were in agreement with. Mr. Jordan motioned to approve Resolution #2-13 authorizing an alternative method of apportionment of the undivided local government fund. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Bainum said that the Village asked us to pass a resolution to submit an application to the Ohio Public Works Commission for the Todds Run Foster Road Sewer Main Extension. Mr. Jordan motioned to approve Resolution #3-13 to enter into a cooperative agreement to submit an application to the OPWC for the Todds Run Foster Road Sewer Main Extension. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Theresa Morrow said that her neighbor has a backstop for a gun range on her property line and she has dodged bullets in the past. She said that the lead from the bullets are all over her property. She said that she has contacted the Sheriff multiple times about it and they told her that she needed to contact the township. She said that she is concerned about the safety of her friends and family even walking on the property for fear of being shot by accident. Mr. Bainum said that he isn't sure what we can do about it, but he wants to contact our prosecutor about it to find out what the law says about what the township can do. Mark Morrow said that he supports gun owners and is a competitive shooter himself, but he is very concerned about safety on his property. He said that they lease the property to a farmer and is concerned for that farmer's safety also.

Elaine Miller said that she doesn't have a problem with re-zoning of the property on the corner of Old State Route 32 and Half Acre Road, but she is very upset that Mr. Morgan painted over her sign that she had on that corner advertising her horse business. Mr. Morgan said that he has talked to her about it, but the old sign was in the right of way and he intends to allow her to put a sign on the property not in the right of way and she said she hopes that will work.

Mary Ann Lefker asked if the trustees had any questions about the application for the sewer extension on Half Acre Road. Mr. Bainum said that we understood what they were looking to do and didn't have a problem trying to make more sewers available.

Cemetery & Roads Maintenance Report

Mr. Jordan said that he read in the newspaper a week or so ago that someone had been cited for the cemetery vandalism. Mr. Tatman said that he hadn't heard anything, but knows that they are investigating. He said that all equipment is running fine. He said that they are swamped with funerals this week, but is hoping to mow Cain Run Road this week to get ready for the paving project. He said that he is going to attend a pre-construction meeting at the county this week also. He asked if they could have some overtime for his guys to do some mowing in the cemetery to keep up, because they have been overwhelmed with the unusually wet summer that has grass growing like crazy. Mr. Jordan asked him to put the township hall on a more regular mowing schedule. He said that he talked to the county prosecutor about the family dispute over disinterring a family member and the prosecutor said that the family needed to take it to Probate Court. Mr. Jordan asked him to ask the prosecutor to draft a letter to those family members describing the process so that they clearly understand what they need to do. Mr. Jordan asked if the American Legion knows where all Veterans are buried in the cemetery. Mr. Tatman said that he isn't sure if they know or not and he would have to know names so he could look them up. Mr. Jordan said that he would contact the American Legion about it.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. Mr. Jordan thanked her for the work she did on the zoning change and making it go so smoothly. She said that someone asked about putting a business on the intersection of St. Rt. 133, St. Rt. 276, Tollgate Road and Main Street, but she didn't know what type of business. She said that she sent letters to property owners about unmowed property and one property owner already contacted her saying that they would take care of it, but hasn't heard from the others yet.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Jordan said that the new fire pickup truck has been picked up. He said that Mr. Wylie is working with A&A Safety to get the lettering and lights done for \$3,924, which is less than the other proposals he got on the other truck that we had almost purchased before the State contracted dealer messed up the order. Mr. Jordan motioned to purchase the lettering and lights for the pickup truck from A&A Safety at a cost of around \$3,924. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Bainum said that we received a letter of complaint from an Emergency Services Officer about another person and that person filed a counter complaint. The trustees asked the Chief to investigate and let them know if they need to take any actions. Mr. Bainum said that he felt protocol wasn't followed, because the officer should have gone to the person first rather than running directly to the Chief. Mr. Wylie said that he received a call from Chief Christie from Jackson Township asking when we stopped 24/7 paid coverage. He said that we explained that we have never had 24/7 paid service and it's always been covered by

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volunteers after hours. He said that we just paid an \$1,800 invoice to Auto and Truck of Williamsburg for repairs and the ambulance is doing the same thing again, so it's back in for repairs.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 7:55 p.m. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman