

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

August 27, 2007

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday August 27, 2007 to transact business. Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:30 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, Kristy Fishback, Richard Malott, Yvonne Malott, Earl Whiteman and Brian Tatman.

Mr. Henning motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting. 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. Taylor motioned to pay the attached bills. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Kristy Fishback gave some copies of a description of what AFLAC is. She said that it is a supplemental benefit and doesn't affect the township plans. She said that it doesn't cost the township any money, because it is an employee paid benefit; however it is done through employee payroll deductions. She said that usually the employer gives them the authority to allow the employees to pick the benefits that they want. She said that the accident plans and cancer plans are very popular. She said that the employee can receive money for many things based on the plans that they enroll in. Mr. Henning asked how many people need to be enrolled to start AFLAC. She said that it takes three people to be enrolled as a group. She said that the Village of Williamsburg enrolled recently and only chose five different benefit types. She said that she would do a presentation and give them a few days to do enrollments. Mr. Danbury said that he says that he doesn't have any problems with her talking to the employees to see if there is an interest as long as Chief Malott and Earl Whiteman don't have a problem with it. She said that she can prepare a survey sheet to give to the employees to see if they have any interest. She said that she will get them ready and give them to Mr. Taylor by the end of the week.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman said that he has been off work since his wife broke a bone and he has to care for her right now, but Mr. Tatman has been handling things. He said that Mr. Tatman received three quotes for the work on West Fork Ridge and also on Ashton Roads. Mr. Tatman said that crack filling will solve the problem for a while; however Houck Asphalt offered an alternative repair, but it is rather costly. Mr. Henning said that since we will probably have to repave the road in the next couple of years, we should probably do the crack filling now rather than spend the extra money. Mr. Henning said that Hacker is approximately \$400 cheaper than Houck. Mr. Henning motioned to hire R. G. Hacker Services to do the asphalt repair at a cost of approximately \$763.75. Mr. Danbury second. All yeas. Mr. Tatman said that there is a spot on Ashton Road where mud is coming up and we need to repair it before the road is blacktopped. He said that he thinks that there is a water main or something that could be broken under the road so he is going to figure out what the problem is and fix it. Mr. Henning compared the specifications in Hacker Paving's bid and Nickell's bid and thinks that Hacker is better. Mr. Henning motioned to hire Hacker's Paving and Excavating to pave portion of Ashton Road at a cost of approximately \$8,336.00. Mr. Taylor second. All yeas. Mr. Whiteman said that the school wants the township to repair a school bus turnaround near 3697 Todds Run Foster Road. The trustees asked why they want to turn around here instead of going to the regular turn around and Mr. Whiteman said that there may not be kids to go that far and would prefer to turn around here. He said that the school pays for the materials and the township employees do the work for these repairs. Mr. Henning said that he got in touch with the county about Mike Proud's culvert pipe depth and the county said that we need to lower the pipe, so he asked them to take care of it. Mr. Henning said that Mike Proud thanked them for doing the work.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She said that Mr. Berger stopped by to get an application for a ZBA in order to have his business at his residence. She said that she received a letter from the Court saying that his sentencing is in October and she needs to go out there before the sentencing to see if he has complied and she asked one of the trustees to go with her. She said that if Mr. Berger doesn't comply, then he will be fined \$100/day dating back to 4/13/2007 according to the court. Mr. Henning asked about the high grass along Musgrove Road and she explained that our prosecutor explained that an open field doesn't need to be mowed if it's agricultural. Mr. Henning asked about what she is hearing about the Settlements at Kain Run Subdivision and she said that she is "hearing" that there are people interested in developing it, but the PUD will regulate what is built and if it's changed it would have to go back through the zoning boards. Mr. Henning asked about the zone change in 1997 for the Creager property. She said that it was a zone change for the property and not a variance. Mrs. Malott said that she went to Alice Brown's property on State Route 133 and sent a letter to the property owner of her neighbor about cleaning up the property. She said that she went to court about the Rice property and the magistrate told the Rice's that if they don't get the property cleaned up, then they can and will go to jail and the court gave him 30 days to clean it up. She said that the sign for the Village and Township at the corner of State Route 32 and Dela Palma Road has been very complicated and is still in process, but it has been a huge mess. Mr. Taylor said that ODOT didn't like the plans, so the Village needs to re-do the plans. Mr. Henning said that the village has applied for a grant to pay for landscaping of this sign, but is asking for the township to pay for 1/2 of the cost in landscaping the sign. The trustees agreed to do this. Mrs. Malott said that she received a letter about a land use seminar in Columbus in September and it will cost \$65. The trustees agreed that she should attend this. She said that she received information on the 2010 census asking if we want to help them so she is going to fill out the documents to participate.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Malott gave Mr. Carson an Auto Title to transfer for the bus that was donated by Crowell Bus Lines. He said that the steering column has been repaired. He said that they are looking for a generator for it. He said that so far this year, we have billed about \$136,000 for ambulance services and have collected about \$73,000. He said that he checked to see who was required to take the courses for incident command in case of emergency and his interpretation is that whoever could be placed in charge would have to attend these courses and he thinks that the trustees will have to do this. He said that they have extended the deadline to the end of 2008 for attending these courses, because there aren't enough instructors. He asked if we wanted to apply for the Safer Grant for adding fire fighters and EMS. He said that there are rules for how much it pays over the course of 5 years. He said that we have more paramedics than EMT's and sometimes he has to hire 2 to run at the same time on the weekends instead of one of each. Mr. Henning asked who is covering the South side of State Route 133 since it is closed and he said that Bethel is the first responder due to mutual aid, but we will eventually get there and take care of finishing if we get there in time.

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Frank Harmon from Ohio Insurance Services Agency gave a presentation for different options that the township could change to with Anthem Insurance and the potential savings involved with each.

Mr. Taylor motioned to move to option 9 with RXH and establish and HRA to pay the deductibles in full and to bring the office visit co-pays back down to the current amount of \$10 and preventative back down to the current amount of \$10 with Anthem Insurance from Ohio Insurance Services Agency. Mr. Danbury second. All yeas.

Mr. Henning motioned to pay the \$10,000 commitment for the Williamsburg-Batavia Hike Bike Trail. Mr. Danbury second. All yeas.

Mr. Taylor motioned to adjourn at approximately 10:40 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman