

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

December 14, 2015

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday December 14, 2015 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, Yvonne Malott, Brian Tatman, Adele Evans, Andy Kuchta, Julie Kamphaus, Matt Earley, Judge Tony Brock, Kevin Wiedemann and Megan Alley.

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

Judge Tony Brock administered the Oath of Office to Guy Bainum and Greg Carson for their recent elections as Trustee and Fiscal Officer for terms starting in 2016. He also signed the bonds for Guy Bainum as required by the ORC and Mr. Carson will file his bond in the Treasurer's office as required by ORC. Mr. Carson thanked Judge Brock for attending and administering the oath.

Mr. Jordan thanked Adele Evans and Andy Kuchta for attending today on behalf of the Clermont County Economic Department to describe the agreement that they brought asking for a 60% tax abatement for Milacron, LLC for the addition that they plan to construct to their current building and agrees to create 149 new jobs as a part of this addition. Matt Earley, Superintendent of Williamsburg Local Schools said that they are very happy that Milacron is expanding and is excited that the schools will get 40% revenue for 10 years and then 100% after that. He said that he attended tonight because he was unaware of the agreements until the minimum required waiting period last week and would like to be involved earlier in discussions in the future even though they aren't a voting entity, but a tax benefactor from this. Mr. Henning apologized to him for not notifying the schools. He said that we assumed that the county would notify the schools and we probably should have ourselves to make sure that they were in the loop. Mrs. Evans explained the timing process for the release of documents and explained the reporting requirements for keeping Milacron in compliance with the terms of the agreement. Mr. Kuchta said that they have been involved with a lot of other agreements like this in the past and handled it the same as they have with other townships in notification of the school districts. He explained that there is often a non-disclosure from some businesses and they have to abide by them. Mrs. Evans explained that Indiana was aggressive in trying to get Milacron to move the entire business to their state, so we are very happy that this is happening to keep Milacron in Clermont County. Mrs. Kamphaus said that Milacron is one of the largest tax payers in our school district and losing them would have been devastating to the township. Mr. Henning explained that the county prosecutor is representing the township and the county and both entities approve of that. Mr. Bainum explained that he has not been involved in any discussions regarding this agreement because he is an employee of Milacron.

Mr. Henning motioned to approve Resolution #1-15 to declare consent to dual representation for the County Commissioners and Williamsburg Township by the County Prosecutor. Mr. Jordan second. Mr. Henning – Yea. Mr. Jordan – Yea. Mr. Bainum – Abstain. Mr. Jordan motioned to approve Resolution #2-15 to sign the Enterprise Zone Agreement with Milacron, LLC in conjunction with the County Commissioners to abate 60% for 10 years. Mr. Henning second. Mr. Jordan – Yea, Mr. Henning – Yea, Mr. Bainum – Abstain.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She explained to Mrs. Evans that we are working on updating the zoning resolutions book and the Economic Development Department would get a copy when done. She explained that she is working on the address for the property at the corner of State Route 133 and Bootjack Corner Road, because it was changed a few years ago and it wasn't realized that it is the same house # as another on the road.

Cemetery & Roads Maintenance Report

Mr. Tatman said that the patch work on the roads in the Commons of Eastfork was completed today. He said that he got a quote of \$220 from Awad Upholstery to repair the seats in the F250 because they are in horrible shape. Mr. Henning motioned to have the seats repaired at Awad's for a cost of \$220. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Tatman said that the county was replacing about 350 radios for the county and was giving the old radios to townships and he requested 3 radios for the roads vehicles and hopes to get them so that they can communicate better with the county. He said that he met with the county roads supervisors last week. He said that the county gave him a copy of the priority of roads to be opened by the county and the state in the event of a huge snow emergency. He said that in the event of a huge snow emergency, the county would be required to help the state and Williamsburg Township would become a lower priority. Discussion ensued over if we should plow county roads in our township that technically aren't our responsibility since they are county roads, but yet they are roads in our township and we need to keep them open for emergency services and for our residents. Mr. Tatman said that the pipe at the end of Hibbs Road has been replaced that was in bad shape.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wiedemann gave a copy of the number of runs for November. He gave a report showing that we will receive a \$7,000 grant from the Ohio EMS board and we need to purchase the stuff and then get reimbursed. He said that they currently looking to spend about \$432.30 and are looking for additional items that are needed. Mr. Jordan motioned to purchase 4 clipboards and 1 trauma bag for a cost of around \$432.30. Mr. Henning second. All yeas. Mr. Wiedemann said that we received a donation of \$50,000 from the Abrams Foundation. He said that he had met with Mr. Abrams about some of the needs of the emergency services and Mr. Abrams gave money to cover all of them with some extra. Mr. Bainum motioned to purchase 15 sets of bunker gear, 2 tablets for the life squads and 1 engraver for pass tags at a cost of approximately \$43,500. Mr. Henning second. All yeas. Mr. Wiedemann said that the regulations call for replacing the bunker gear every 10 years and these 15 sets will get us very close to compliance. He said that the FEMA grant is opening back up and they hope to get the remaining sets through that grant when it comes open next year. He said that he is still talking to doctors about being a medical director for our township to replace Dr. Kahn. He said that he is meeting with the mine at Arch Materials to go over protocols to make sure that everything is handled correctly in the event of an emergency. Mr. Jordan said that Milacron is trying to get permits for fire on the new addition and there are some discrepancies in what the code says and what Milacron says and they are trying to work with them to make sure that they meet compliance. Mr. Wiedemann said that the issues are easy to solve and they hope to come to an agreement so that permits can be issued. He said that he found out after the roof

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collapse on Cain Run Road, that the county doesn't have any jurisdiction for agricultural use buildings for structure. They only have input on electric, sewer, etc. Mr. Wiedemann said that the Fire Dependency board needs to meet again before the end of the year to close the Knapke case.

Mr. Carson said that he has been talking to Mr. Wiedemann and Mr. Tatman about the poor cell phone coverage with Verizon. He said that we switched from AT&T to Verizon a couple of years ago to save money. All 3 agree that service is bad and would like to try to switch back to AT&T now that the cost is the same. Cell service is a necessity for emergency services. Mr. Henning motioned to switch cell phone service to AT&T. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas.

Mr. Bainum thanked the Emergency Services for a great Christmas party.

Mr. Henning motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:40 p.m. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman