

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

February 13, 2017

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday February 13, 2017 to transact business. Chairman Henning 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, Richard Malott, Yvonne Malott, Kevin Wiedemann, Sharon Wood, Ed Boll and Brian Tatman.

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

Mrs. Wood said that her church donated this building to the township hall many years ago and she was asking if they could use the big room for a small Christmas gathering this year, because the church hasn't gotten together for many years. Mr. Henning said that he thinks it's a great idea, but unfortunately others have asked to use it over the years and the trustees have researched it and we haven't let anyone else use it for insurance reasons.

Mr. Boll said that the recycling dumpsters have put in new dumpsters at the water tower on Eighth Street near the cemetery. He said that the doors are hard to handle and wonders if people have problems with them like he does. He wondered if the cemetery guys couldn't open them up every morning and close them every night. Mr. Tatman said that he received letters from the EPA stating that the new rules are that they need to remain closed and the new lids are designed to keep rain water out. Mr. Bainum said that he thinks that the new lids are much lighter. Mr. Tatman said that if they see someone struggling, they will always go help them.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. Mr. Bainum asked if Mr. Smithers is living in the camper at his repair garage. She said that she will check with him again, because she has talked to him about that in the past and his property is looking very junky again. She said that he claims that cars aren't being paid for their repairs so he's keeping them until the owners pay him. She said that she is working with several residents on junk issues and making some progress on some of them.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Tatman said that we received a rough draft from the county for a new EPA report. He said that one of the many things that we will have to do is keep track of our salt usage per occurrence. He said that it's basically a lot of paperwork. He said that we had 11 funerals in January and 5 funerals so far this month with at least 1 more planned already. He said that he learned quite a bit at the winter conference. He said that he learned that grants are coming available again for the high intensity signs. Mr. Tatman said that the county engineer put up a church entrance sign on Tolgate Road by Gary Jordan's residence. He said that 4 new 35 mph signs were posted on Tolgate Road on telephone poles. He said that he's going to check with the county to verify that they put up the signs, because it's a little strange that they put them all on the telephone poles. He gave the trustees a print out of a couple of used tractors. Mr. Henning said that he had talked to him about trying to find a good used tractor to save a little money, so that cash isn't too tight if we want to do some paving this year, but asked him to keep researching new and used. Mr. Tatman said that Indian Hill Maintenance Department is getting a new tractor this year and trading in their old one. He said that he will check with them before they trade it in. He said that the transit that they use for grading road ditches has gone bad. He said that he got pricing at Lowe's for \$599 and the same model is \$810 at EZ Rent All. Mr. Henning motioned to spend up to \$599 on a new Bosch GRL 250HVCK self-leveling rotary laser level. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Tatman asked if we plan to hire two part time staff for the summer months. Mr. Henning asked if we kept everyone busy and Mr. Tatman said that everyone stayed very busy. Mr. Tatman said that he is checking with Rumpke on dumpsters for junk days and they are hoping to have it on June 8-10, but will confirm. Mr. Jordan said that Mrs. Cousins called to let him know that water is running and eroding the road around Bootjack Corner Road and State Route 133. He said that he called the county to let them know since it's a county road and they said that they'd be out to look at it.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wiedemann gave a copy of the number of runs for January. He said that he would like to send Mr. Pollitt and Mr. Willis to an arson class at a cost of \$40/person plus 1 day of meals. Mr. Henning motioned to send Mr. Pollitt and Mr. Willis to an arson class at a cost of \$40/person plus \$45/person for meals for 1 day. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Wiedemann said that he'd like to send Taylor Scott to a Basic EMT class at Southern Hills at a cost of around \$1,000. Mr. Jordan motioned to send Taylor Scott to a Basic EMT class at Southern Hills at a cost of around \$1,000. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Wiedemann said that Chip Wilson is resigning the Emergency Services Department as a volunteer due to his disability at work. The trustees thanked him for his many years of service. Mr. Wiedemann said that he learned a lot at the classes at the winter conference and realized that the entire state has a huge drug problem and not just a heroine problem. He said that he attended a grant class recently and talked to a grant writer about helping us with grants. He said that they will help with about 4 grants a year for a cost of around \$1,896/year. The trustees asked him to get more information on exactly what this company would provide and the benefits associated with it so we know if it's worth it or not. Mr. Wiedemann said that he is doing maintenance on the vehicles the past couple of weeks. He has rebuilt the carburetor on one of the jeeps and doing a lot of electrical work on the 2009 ambulance. Mr. Henning said that someone approached him Friday night and gave huge compliments to our Emergency Services Department and our auxiliary and thanked us for everything we do.

Mr. Henning said that we received a request from the Village of Williamsburg asking us to split the cost on a shred day in April. He said that they proposed a cost of \$375/each. He said that they suggested charging residents for bringing stuff and limiting residents to 5 boxes each and limiting it to the first 10,000 pounds of paper. The trustees agreed that it would be a nice service to offer to the residents, but were strictly against charging residents. Mr. Henning motioned to approve spending \$375 to split the cost of a shredding day with the Village of Williamsburg at no cost to the residents if the Village agrees. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas. Mr. Jordan said that Mary & Phil Boyd are the Williamsburg Township recipients of the Salute to Leaders award and reminded everyone to make reservations to the dinner on March 22. Mr. Bainum reminded everyone of the Williamsburg Schools Business appreciation dinner on February 22. He told everyone that the Williamsburg Wildcats boosters are having the annual Wildcat Gala on March 10.

**Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes
February 13, 2017**

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:30 p.m. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman