

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

March 13, 2017

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday March 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, Kevin Wiedemann, Yvonne Malott, Paul Braasch, Ed Boll, Becky McClatchy and Brian Tatman.

Mr. Bainum motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Jordan 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.

Paul Braasch from Clermont County brought some information on franchising waste collection to save money. He said that he has spoken with around 8 townships and they are all interested, but he's trying to confirm which townships are serious and which ones are just interested, because the County Prosecutor said that if they bid it, then all townships need to be in agreement. On his proposal, he shows that the average cost of garbage collection per household is approximately \$25/month and he feels that if we bid it out, then it would be around \$15/month and residents would receive 1 garbage and 1 recycling cart with the monthly fee and up to 1 additional container included. He said that there are a number of other benefits included including large item pickups. He said that billing would be done by waste haulers. He said that fuel surcharges should be built into the price. He said that waste collection would not be mandatory. He said that we don't need to make a decision tonight. He said that he will come back 1 more time before it goes to bid to get our opt in or out. The trustees all expressed concern over pushing government regulation onto township residents even if it can save them money. The trustees said that we are currently in the probably NO to being a part of the bid.

Becky McClatchy from Clermont County gave a copy of the conservation easement for the Williamsburg Low Head Dam Removal Project. She said that she will come back to the next meeting to make sure that we are in agreement with this easement covenant.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She said that she made copies of the proposed new zoning resolution book to the trustees and county commissioners.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wiedemann gave copies of the reports of statistics for February. He said that he met with the Village regarding safety places during an emergency. He said that the Emergency Services Building isn't a safe building during a storm. He said that the village is trying to determine if the old or new high school is the designated safe place and who will open the buildings during that time. He said that they had 23 runs during the storms last week and 21 of them were weather related. He said that he's exploring a calling system to notify residents of information. He is checking on liabilities, etc. with telling people that they can come out in a storm. He said that they had an emergency services run on Winding Trails last week and they ran over a flower pot of a neighbor, so he told the resident that we would replace it.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Tatman said that Cincinnati Bell Telephone came out and took care of the wire that was damaged in the storm on Musgrove Road. He thanked the fire department for helping out during the storm. He said that they all worked well together and said that he knows other townships don't have quite the same inter-department cooperation. He said that we're at 19 funerals for the year to date. He gave copies of prices for new tractors. The mower would be \$29,585 and the tractor would be \$55,864. He said that he found a used tractor at JD Equipment in London, OH. It is a 2007 John Deere 6415 with the equipment that we need. He said that it has 3900 hours on it. He said that it was previously owned by ODOT and well maintained. He said that they gave us a price of \$31,298 delivered to us. He said that it's a good piece of equipment with the hours compared to all of the other used ones that he has seen and figures that we can get around 10 years or more of use out of it. Mr. Henning said that it's the right price for what we need at the moment. Mr. Henning motioned to purchase the used 2007 John Deere 6415 tractor with accessories from JD Equipment in London at a cost of \$31,298. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Jordan said that the Aramark contract expires on May 12 and suggested writing a note with the last check referencing the end of the contract.

Mr. Jordan motioned to support the Williamsburg Low Head Dam Removal Project Conservation Easement terms and conditions as presented by the county. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:15 p.m. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman