

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

February 22, 2021

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday February 22, 2021 to transact business. Chairperson Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Bari Henning and Gary Jordan answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Brian Tatman, Ed Boll and Kevin Wiedemann.

Mr. Jordan motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Henning second. All yeas. Mr. Carson presented a financial report, including a comprehensive account of expenditures and receipts and the trustees accepted it.

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

Zoning Report

Mr. Tatman said that Dexter Bastin contacted him about an address for property on McKeever. He said that a realtor contacted him about the zoning on a parcel at 2766 Old State Route 32, because the property is going up for auction. He said that the zoning board approved the change at the meeting last week.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Tatman said that we should receive the new John Deere Tractor this week. He said that he still has 75 ton of salt on order to fill the barns for next year. He said that we've used quite a bit over the last couple of weeks. He said that they had a complaint about hitting a mailbox of Wade Posey on North Ellis Road, so they will fix it. He said that this is the first time they've had a mailbox problem in the 21 years that he's worked for the township. He said that they've had 13 funerals this month and 2 more this week. He said that we've had some problems with our grave lowering device and he's getting it fixed, because the company that services them hasn't serviced it in 8 years. He said that he's been looking at scissor lifts, because he thinks that they could use it for upcoming projects that he has and some that are needed at the firehouse. He said that he found a used 2012 one with 338 hours with new batteries and fully serviced at a cost of \$3,810. He said that a new one would cost around \$15,000. He said that it will go 19 feet high and it has non marking tires. The trustees agree that it would be great for safety compared to using ladders. Mr. Jordan motioned to purchase the used 2012 scissor lift at a cost of \$3,810. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Wiedemann said that Kroger would like to start next week using our parking lot for grocery pickup to help our township residents. He said that they are presenting a 6-month contract. He said that the painter is coming this weekend to start painting. He said that they are tearing up the flooring and replacing it. He said that he would like to replace the lights in the big room at the emergency services building to remove the ballasts and convert to LED. He said that he thinks that he can do all of them for around \$2,000. Mr. Henning motioned to replace all of the lights at the emergency services building at a cost of around \$2,000. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas. Mr. Carson said that he has been working with Cincinnati Bell Telephone to convert our phones to VOIP and the costs should be minimal to convert the entire systems. He said that we are working with AT&T to see if their phones will work better, because they have the exclusive First Net Safety Contract for the nation for Emergency Services phones and costs look to be \$10/month per phone less than Verizon.

Mr. Jordan said that he is working on a letter to the Governor and County Commissioners regarding the current traffic volume on State Route 32 at McKeever Pike and the concerns about the increased volume coming with the new company at South Afton. He said that he spoke with the people about the Asian Longhorn Beetle and the information that we will put up on our website and in our newsletter. Mr. Wiedemann said that the county notified him that McKeever Pike will be closed for 19 days starting March 1 weather permitting to fix a landslide.

Mr. Henning motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:00 p.m. Mr. Jordan second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairperson