



October 21, 2013 Minutes

President, Steve Countryman, called the monthly township meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. on October 21, 2013 in the township hall. He invited all present to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. Roll call was taken with Steve Countryman, Tim Taylor, and Larry Setser answering roll call as to being present.

There were no corrections to the September minutes, so Larry Setser made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Tim Taylor. The balance in the checking account was reported to be \$632,831.69 with all bills paid thru last Thursday. Tim ask if all the paving had been paid for the year and all has been paid and actually less than anticipated which is a good thing. Norma mentioned that the insurance has been paid as submitted at a cost of \$20,442.00 but there were three items noted that are being reviewed and there may be a possible adjustment to the coverage. Per our representative, Wendy French, we should submit the payment in a timely manner and any adjustments may be made when the trustees had their meeting to make such decisions. Item number 2 for \$8000 coverage, item number 23 for \$22,032 seems to be an obsolete item and item 16 for 2 AED had an incorrect value. The total value for item 16 was \$2792.62 vs. the \$11,000 apiece as the value listed. To increase the liability it would have required a resolution from the trustees. With the information provided, we are comparable to neighboring townships within the county so it was decided to remain at the current level of liability for the upcoming year.

Duke Energy submitted a letter for the township because the current contract will end in December. Brief discussion followed as to the letter received. Norma agreed to contact Duke to get better clarification as to what the township may be agreeing to if contract checked.

Met with Kim Mitchem of Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation to complete a report that needed to be submitted for 2012. She also told us about a program Destination Excellence which our township does qualify to participate. Not all townships meet the criteria to join this program. If we choose to participate it will be a 4% decrease in our workers comp payment. Kim helped Norma submit the application for the program. Steve Countryman was present in the office when Kim was visiting and was informed of the program. Township only needs to participate in two activities per year and submit the report in a timely manner and that is the only requirement to participate in the program. This discount to workers' comp is in addition to the discount from participating in the Roger Gates program and belonging to a local safety council. We have missed the date to participate in this years' safety council for our county. We must wait until July 1 of 2024, pay the \$75 fee to join and attend 10 of the 12 meetings per year to qualify for the discount provided by the safety council. It was mentioned that any training programs attended by township personnel if a certificate is given to show completion of a course, a copy of that certificate needs to be placed into the employees personnel file. It was noted that if a volunteer fireman or squad person would happen to get hurt, the accident would be reported, but, those persons are not included in this particular report.

Recycling of tires at Ross on November 2 was mentioned. Steve asked if we received a refund from Heavenwire. The answer was that the final bill was \$125 vs. the \$250 which was the cancellation fee so the final invoice was reduced to cover some monies back to the township. Norma mentioned that AT&T has issued a claim for a bill that a cancellation fee was assessed on an account and we were working with Mr. Ernst to resolve. She will update trustees as the invoice is resolved in whatever manner.

Norma mentioned that she has about 7 persons who work with our fire and life squad who will not be paid this year due to fact that information is not available such as name, address etc. to actually process a payment within the UAN system. Norma plans to attend the next association meeting and have those present update the files and create files for the 6-7 new names participating in the township.

Larry Setser made a motion to accept the information submitted by fiscal officer. Tim Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Old business- 122 Cemetery repair was questioned. Eddie is awaiting the survey prior to any work to be done. The current owners have stated they do not mind if township employees come on their property to access the cemetery property that needs repair. Sirens- Matt of EMA stated there were 4 more sirens taken down and available to us if we were interested. We may take to help Milford Township who has been helpful to us. Steve has contacted the water association and received a commitment from them that we may use their property for such a pole and siren. Butler Rural Electric will place right outside of their properties. Township has responsibility of making the sirens work and paying a monthly metered pole fee. Discussion followed concerning the sirens.

New Business- Map provided so decision may be made as to where to place the fence at the motel property. Discussion followed. Chain link between our property and trailer park and cable around the rest of the property with two openings to enter to mow grass. Discussion followed as to the placement of the fence and openings of the cable. Map to be marked as to where fence and entrances may be placed. No gate on fence side but solid fence. One opening of cable on 73 and one on 127. 16 foot opening. Discussion as to marketing of the property when complete. Steve ask Water Association and a price of \$50 per foot to install the water to property but all involved, trailer park and neighbors , must agree to actually proceed with the cost of installation of the water lines. Discussions with all will continue with all the parties involved and possible solutions researched. Projected that 3rd week of November may be possible date of completion of the motel demolition project depending on weather. Bids remained in the township which is viewed as a good thing.

Indigent burial- Steve ask Eddie if he had received a copy of the policy. Larry has not been notified of any meetings, which he volunteered to serve on the committee at an earlier OTA monthly meeting.

Bob Routson of the auditor office mentioned that there is not a survey but there would be tax maps available if the township would need to help place fence on property at the motel. He discussed 2014 re-appraisals by his office. Mr. Reynolds returned monies to the townships and governing entities. Wayne Township received \$1,612, Edgewood Schools received \$69,000 and Village of Jacksonburg received \$5.61. Financial reports are available on line or may be mailed if requested. He revisited the Homestead Act available in our county. The amount to qualify moved to \$30,500.00. He mentioned that if a levy would be on the ballot there is a program to calculate individual costs of any proposed

levies. He was thanked for all the help his office has provided our township. He will monitor the demolition of the motel to watch the values of our taxes.

Zoning- Ed Dulle distributed his reports. He recapped his reports. 3821 Taylor School road has met all requirements. 3655 Somerville Jacksonburg Road the POD has been removed. Zoning Rules states PODS cannot remain more than 30 days in our township. Hacker property to speak later but Ed reported that the clean-up has been begun and trailer has been licensed. 3909 Mill road will be moving to the BZA and has become a legal issue for the township. Ed explained the 3 reasons to have a BZA appeal: 1- variance, 2- conditional list 3- appeal of a decision of an administrator. Hardship and financial hardship was explained and the differences within the zoning realm. Joe Marconi not returning any calls and his position needs to be replaced on the zoning commission. Board did not offer a suggestion as to who might replace Mr. Marconi on the commission. Mr. Dulle reported about issue at 3526 Somerville Jacksonburg Road that the owner has not been able to be reached. Taxes for property have been paid, but there is a concern of liability. Residents have been complaining about happenings at the property as well as property not being cared for as it should. Ed discussed his attendance to the land bank meeting. Desmond called with concern of David Fiefer as to why the township was pursuing membership in the land bank. We would like to wait until Roger Gates may be contacted to see how we should proceed. Tim suggested that the neighbors who complained should fill out a complaint form. Part of the process would be to declare the property a nuisance and then proceed, but, costs may be incurred at that time so nothing to be done until Roger Gates has been contacted as to how to proceed.

Road Crew- Eddie Truster mentioned that a resolution for paving does not have to be submitted until February but the recommendation was to double chip seal Thomas Road and he concurred and was planning to submit as such. In December he will finalize the pavement for 2014 so that resolution may be submitted. Eddie was asked to also price the paving if we would do on our own vs. the county bid. Salt barn- has been pulled back and braced and needs a few areas sealed to be complete. He got the materials for Larry to put up the lights at the salt barn. Project is close to being complete. Fire levy is a renewal for next year. Wednesday the road crew will attend snow plow training at the county engineer office. It was suggested that any training that is done should be input into the employee's personal file. He mentioned the pig incident only because he knew complaint forms had been submitted. The pigs were caught and no longer creating trouble for the township. The meeting with road crew will be Monday, November 11 at 8:45 A.M.- note this is the second Monday not the first Monday as normally held due to accommodate schedules of the trustees. November 5 election the townships will not be hauling the voting supplies but the delivery will be done by an outside group. Our only involvement this year will be to assure the buildings are open. Pick up of the voting equipment is to be Thursday .

Doug Hoit- Fish Fry was a success. Final figures are not yet available. 440 pounds of fish and all food was gone. November 3 there will be fire training at Leon Simpson property on Mill Road. Gratis will be invited to attend. The following Sunday, the house will be burnt. All asbestos has been removed and it should be ready for training. He has been discussing with Mike Jett of the Atrim and he would like to in February hold farm training at our township. The state fire Marshall has a miniature grain bin to use in training. Jeff Galloway said he would fund the training if we would be able to proceed with the only stipulation being his county team is involved. Trustees encouraged any training that may take place and involvement of those interested from the neighboring townships. Officers meeting will be Monday, November 11 at 8:00 P.M. also due to the voting being set up the first Monday of the month.

Tim had nothing that had not been discussed. Larry distributed some examples of policies that he had discovered and would like for us to review. He suggested we have a work meeting some time to see what might fit our township best rather than just using them all. Work meeting needed to develop our own policies specific for Wayne Township.

Steve ask about appointment to BZA. He has talked with Tom York and Tom was interested in possibly doing either the commission or the zoning appeal board. Neither trustee had any objection to Tom serving. Steve and Ed Dulle will discuss and place him where they feel most needed at this time.

Public participation:

Dwayne and Kendra Hacker 3918 Mill Road- request permission to put up a fence. He discussed why he felt a fence was needed and the benefits it would be to his business operation. He wants to put up a security fence which is higher than the 4 foot allowed by township zoning rules. The proper procedure would be that the zoning would have jurisdiction over the fence. Trustees do not make decisions for fencing for this circumstance. Zoning resolution only allows for a 4 foot fence. Anything higher would have to be a variance through zoning. It was mentioned that the father would have to actually apply for the variance because he was the actual owner of the property. Discussion followed.

Larry Setser made a motion to pay the bills. Tim Taylor seconded the motion. Larry Setser made a motion to adjourn. Tim Taylor seconded that motion. Meeting adjourned.

President- Steve Countryman

Vice-President- Tim Taylor

Larry Setser- Trustee

Norma Fall- Fiscal Officer