

Record of Proceedings – July 10, 2017

Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio

The regular meeting was held with Hagemeyer and Williams present. Vice-President Hagemeyer opened the meeting and we recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved. Receipts of \$0 since our last meeting were reported and were filed for audit. Warrants 10287 – 10296 totaling \$8,433.98 were presented for approval. Williams made motion, seconded by Hagemeyer to pay bills as presented. Motion carried.

FROM THE FLOOR:

- Joe Garrett with Trebel llc answered questions regarding the proposed electric supplier aggregation. He explained that those who are already in a contract with a different supplier would not be forced to switch. His company generally asks for a 1, 2 or 3 year contract with suppliers, and negotiates for the best rate. Our Prosecutor's office has approved the paperwork as he presented to us. After discussion, Williams made motion, seconded by Hagemeyer, to execute an Energy Consulting and Management Agreement with Trebel. Motion carried. Hagemeyer made motion, seconded by Williams, to put this issue on the next ballot. Resolution will be delivered to the Board of Elections, and will be on the November ballot. If the issue passes, everyone will be included (except those already in contracts), but all have the right to exclude themselves as well. There will be a meeting at Olive Branch Church in early October to explain the issue to the public.
- John Fitzgerald of 1537 Race Street in Oregonia spoke up about the noise at Little River Café. A deputy told him Saturday evening that he could not do anything with just a Disorderly Conduct complaint. The Trustees were concerned with this conflicting information, as this is the route the sheriff had told them was the best. Resident Michael Kobes of 1648 Corwin Road spoke as well. Hagemeyer will pursue this topic with the sheriff.
- On the topic of 4-wheelers zooming on the roads, a deputy confiscated one last week.

ROADS REPORT:

From our Roads Supervisor, Allen Stanforth:

- Crack-sealed in all subdivisions.
- Small damage on Lisle Lane – Allen can repair with hot mix.
- Micro-sealing is scheduled to take place August 24 and 25. Company will put out flyers and signs well in advance. This will affect the Arabian Run, Flint Trail and Indian Lakes subdivisions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- There will be a meeting on July 13 at 2pm with several departments to discuss the proposed Rural Zoning Code change to allow chickens in subdivisions. This is not a public hearing at this time.
- Home at 9139 Arrowcreek Drive has been mowed.
- There were seven findings in our 2015-2016 audit. They are: leave forms were not being used, W-4 withholding forms were not on file, time sheets were occasionally not signed, expenditures exceeded appropriations in one fund in 2016, deposits were misposted four times to incorrect funds, small end-of-year balances were misclassified as unassigned versus assigned fund balances, and estimated receipts in 2015 were not accurately posted in two funds. Trustees waived a post-audit meeting with the state auditors.
- At our last meeting, Trustees made motion to invest \$100,000 from our General Fund in a CD at LCNB. Our old \$25,000 CD was rolled into a new year 2-year CD by the bank. So we invested \$75,000 in another CD for a 1-year term. Hagemeyer made motion, seconded to Williams to approve. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

2018 Budget was presented by Fiscal Officer. For next year, we estimate we will spend \$275,000 from our four road funds. After discussion, motion was made to accept by Williams, seconded by Hagemeyer. Motion carried. Budget will be forwarded to the county auditor's office, and there will be a tax budget meeting at the county office in August.

As there was no further business, Hagemeyer made motion, seconded by Williams to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm.

Paul Schaefer
Trustee President

Karen Doney
Fiscal Officer

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