

## **Record of Proceedings – January 27, 2014 Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio**

The regular meeting was held with Williams, Schaefer and Hagemeyer present. President Schaefer opened the meeting. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved. Receipts of \$7,117.57 since our last meeting were reported and were filed for audit. Warrants 9331 through 9347 and Voucher 3-2014 totaling \$13,742.79 were presented for approval.

### FROM THE FLOOR:

- Warren County Prosecutor David Fornshell attended to present his department's report for last year. One thing he brought to our attention was the "Parole Watch" on their website. The public can send a message to the Parole Board regarding upcoming parole hearings. The Prosecutor's office was responsible for more than 22,462 court cases, including 925 felonies, over 2,800 juvenile cases, 6,737 adult misdemeanors, and over 12,000 child support cases. In addition, they provided legal counsel to 30 county agencies, eight townships, and five public libraries. For the full report, visit [www.warrencountyprosecutor.com](http://www.warrencountyprosecutor.com).
- The Trustees asked Prosecutor Fornshell's opinion on our issue with charges from the Wayne Township Fire Department for clearing limbs and trees from the roadway. He suggested either a change of procedure within the Emergency Services Division or a mutual aid agreement with Wayne Township FD. We have not had a response to our letter to the fire department as yet.
- Lt. Eric Miller visited and asked that we continue to be on the look-out for suspicious activity.
- Lt. Miller was asked about a homeowner plowing snow from his driveway into the roadway. He said the homeowner would definitely be liable in the event of injury or an accident due to the hazard placed in the road. He cited ORC 4511.74, "Placing Injurious Material on Roadway".

### ROADS REPORT:

From our Roads Supervisor, Allen Stanforth:

- Stanforth continuing to look into new fuel tank.
- Schaefer suggested adding extra conditioner to our fuel in the winter, in addition to that already added by the supplier
- We have ordered our last 50 tons of salt; we will be mixing 1:1 with grits for the rest of the snow season.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Some statistics from the Auditor's office regarding fire and EMS levy amounts: Clearcreek Township residents pay 4.95 mills for these services, Deerfield Twp. 6.8 mills, Hamilton Twp. 4.55 mills, Salem Twp. 8.26 mills, and Wayne Township 4.25 mills. We will make the affected public aware of these facts when designing postcards to be sent to those in the Salem-Morrow and Wayne Township Fire Department service areas. Issue on the ballot will propose a 3 mill levy. Hagemeyer presented a quote from Minuteman Press to design, print and use their bulk mailing permit in 1/2 sheet size, and in color. They could do 1000 for \$806. There are 538 households in the affected areas. After discussion, Williams made motion, seconded by Hagemeyer to approve this expenditure, and send out two mailings before the Primary on May 6. Motion carried.
- Stanforth presented request to carry over his 2013 comp time into 2014. All agreed.
- BrewPro contract for \$4275 was signed by Board President Schaefer.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- Ohio Township Association article regarding health insurance reimbursements was read. One paragraph seems to be at odds with one part of our current health care policy. Doney will ask Prosecutor's office to give us an opinion so that we will be in compliance.
- Citizens have expressed concern about the temporary closing of the Oregonia post office. As the building was condemned, business has moved to the Lebanon post office temporarily. Williams put forth a motion, seconded by Hagemeyer, that we send a letter to the Lebanon Postmaster, with a copy to the Cincinnati Postmaster expressing our concern that we keep the post office in the 45054 community. Doney will do so and bring to the next meeting for signature.

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- Fiscal Officer is unable to attend the February 24 meeting. Trustees decided to skip that meeting and meet again at the regular meeting on March 10. We will post this notice on the website and on the outside bulletin board. Motion made by Williams, seconded by Hagemeyer. Motion carried.
- At 8:37pm, Schaefer suggested moving into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Williams seconded. After discussion, Hagemeyer made motion at 8:43pm to re-enter regular session, seconded by Williams. Contractor Ray Kienle has offered his services on an as-needed basis to help with plowing. Pay will be \$20/hour, with a three hour minimum per 24 hours. He has submitted requested information, and we will send for his driving record from the BMV. Williams made motion to accept Kienle's services on an as-needed basis, seconded by Hagemeyer. Motion carried.

As there was no further business, Williams made motion, seconded by Hagemeyer, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50.

Paul Schaefer  
Trustee President

Karen Doney  
Fiscal Officer

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