

Record of Proceedings – September 26, 2016

Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio

The regular meeting was held with Williams and Schaefer present. President Williams opened the meeting and we recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved. Receipts of \$146,405.13 since our last meeting were reported and were filed for audit. Warrants 10066-10083 and Vouchers 37, 38 and 39-2016 totaling \$19,537.67 were presented for approval. Schaefer made motion, seconded by Williams to pay bills as presented. Motion carried.

FROM THE FLOOR:

- Judge Fischer with the Warren County Court attended to give us an update on the court's activities. They started a Veteran's and a Mental Health docket last year. These specialized dockets help individuals integrate better into society. There is more contact with the court and is an intensive probation. This was accomplished with no increase in budget.

In order to arraign prisoners more expeditiously, the judges are on-call on the weekends.

Overcrowding of the jail continues to be a huge problem, and many are emergency-released instead of serving mandated time.

Heroin continues to be a huge issue; there is now a Drug court that specifically deals with these cases. 80% of the addicts begin with prescription medications.

- Noise continues to be an issue at Little River Café in Oregonia. Sound curtains were installed, but do not help. Resident would like township trustees to enforce ORC 505.172, which allows the board of township trustees to adopt a noise control ordinance to be in effect at any premise to which a "D" permit has been issued. Discussion ensued, and questions were asked such as "Are they operating within the parameters of their liquor license?" We will endeavor to obtain samples of other nearby noise ordinances, if they exist, and go from there.

ROADS REPORT:

From our Roads Supervisor, Allen Stanforth:

- Chip-sealing of Ward-Koebel Road is complete, unfortunately one day before Wilmington Road re-opened.
- Berming of Ross Road is complete.
- There is some slippage of the asphalt on Blue Shin Hill – Allen bermed more behind the guard rail in an effort to hold it in place.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Our Fire/EMS contract with Wayne Township will expire at the end of the year. They are willing to continue as is for another year. Schaefer made motion, seconded by Williams, to do so. Motion carried.
- Repayment of \$175 for township's mowing costs at 8921 Arrowcreek Drive in Oregonia is complete.

NEW BUSINESS:

Second half real estate taxes were received from the county in the amount of \$135,543.

As there was no further business, Schaefer made motion, seconded by Williams to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.

Denver Williams
Trustee President

Karen Doney
Fiscal Officer

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