

# **Record of Proceedings – August 8, 2011**

## **Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio**

The regular meeting was held with Williams and Hagemeyer present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Vice-President Hagemeyer called the meeting to order. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved. Receipts of \$9,386.66 since our last meeting were reported and were filed for audit. Warrants 8531 thru 8539 totaling \$7,220.41 were presented for approval.

### FROM THE FLOOR:

- Scout troop will try to pour footers this week at Olive Branch Cemetery
- Resident at 933 Ward-Koebel Road addressed the Board with questions regarding a line or partition fence. This is defined by the State of Ohio as being located on dividing line between properties OR being considered to be a line fence (has been used as such in the past). Residents shared that there is a current fence that appears to be on the line at the back of their property. They wish to fence in their entire property, and wondered what regulations exist regarding placement of new fencing. Hagemeyer gave them a packet on partition fence rules, and encouraged them to have open conversation with their neighbors and perhaps draw up a written understanding about the proposed fences. It was suggested that they ask placement questions of the county.

### ROADS REPORT:

From our Roads Supervisor, Liston Burton:

Will begin to grind butt joints, and should be able to start blacktopping this week

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Rural Zoning Code Public Hearings were held on August 2 and 3 at the County. Most residents were concerned with keeping the rural feel of our townships. Residents can still call or email with remarks – the code is not yet final. On request, farmers can request a new A-1 code for farmland preservation. This is a 41 acre density. This process is currently without charge, but after the Rural Zoning Code is finalized, there will be a fee.
- We will modify our Policy for Abating Grass and Weeds to reflect time period between steps. We will post request for a bid to mow the property at 10793 Wilmington Road, Clarksville 45113 on our website and on our outside bulletin board.
- Hagemeyer will attend Summer Conference sessions on August 12.
- Representative from Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation completed an audit of our 2010 wage records, and requested that Nick Thomas be added to the township's Workers' Comp policy. Nick is a private contractor who helps Liston drive snowplow in the winter. Williams made motion to do so, seconded by Hagemeyer. Motion carried.
- Pursuant to the KLA Risk Consulting visit on June 27, we are complying with all "A" level findings. Only finding remaining was a "B" level finding regarding posting cemetery hours. Recommended sign should read: "Cemetery open from dawn to dusk". Williams made motion, seconded by Hagemeyer, to post a sign at Olive Branch Cemetery only. Motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- The Warren County Drug Task Force has developed information of at least one individual involved in selling crushed chlorine tablets as bath salts in the Mason area. Several doses of what appears to be chlorine tablets crushed in bath salts containers have been seized by the drug task force.
- There will be a Pioneer Cemetery Restoration Clinic on October 22 regarding restoration and repair of headstones. If interesting in registering, call the Genealogical Society at (513) 695-1144.
- The Local Technical Assistance Program is offering a Sign Retroreflectivity course on August 24 in Lebanon.
- Tax Budget meeting for 2012 will be held on August 25 at 9:45am with the county auditor.
- Contractor "packet" was presented to the Trustees for their information. Liston will have all contractors fill these papers out before beginning any work for the township.

There being no further business, Williams made motion at 8:50pm to adjourn regular meeting. Hagemeyer seconded; motion carried.

Paul Schaefer  
Trustee President

Karen Doney  
Fiscal Officer

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