

Record of Proceedings – January 28, 2013 Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio

The regular meeting was held with Hagemeyer, Schaefer and Williams present. President Williams opened the meeting, and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved. Receipts of \$11,471.33 since our last meeting were reported and were filed for audit. Warrants 8980 through 9002 and Voucher 3-2013 totaling \$15,578.36 were presented for approval.

FROM THE FLOOR:

- Warren County Prosecutor David Fornshell spoke and presented the Prosecutor's Office Annual Report for 2012. He highlighted his office's Community Involvement, Financial Report, Criminal Division and other facets of the office. There was a 12.5% increase in the felony case load in 2012, mostly attributable to theft and drugs. Meth charges have dropped considerably since Sudafed is now kept behind the counter at pharmacies. Warren County had no homicides in 2012. The Child Support Enforcement Division is doing very well. The full report can be seen on the Prosecutor's website at www.co.warren.oh.us/prosecutor.
- There will be a Joint Economic Development District meeting on February 5 at 9:30am in the Commissioner's Meeting Room.

ROADS REPORT:

From our Roads Supervisor, Allen Stanforth:

- Looking to chip seal approximately 3.2 miles of our township roads this year. They are Settlemyre, Fordyce to gate, Fisher to Strout and Gum Grove from 3C Highway to the river. Allen will coordinate with the county to get an estimate.
- Leaning tree on Settlemyre is down – DP&L handled

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- We are selling a used hydraulic post driver and a tractor. All information regarding the sale is posted on our website, and the bids will be opened at our meeting on April 8. We will also advertise the sale in the Ohio Township News and the Wilmington News Journal.
- Fire/EMS Levy Study – Most residents in our township are served by the Clinton-Warren Joint Fire District, and payments to them come directly from the county via our property taxes. However, part of our township is served by the Salem-Morrow Fire Department, and part by the Wayne Township Fire Department. We have two small levies (together only equal .84 mills) that the township uses to pay these two agencies. Unfortunately, our annual levy income has become insufficient to handle the expenses. Last year payments to Salem-Morrow and Wayne totaled \$62,500, and our income from the levies was only \$31,127. Trustees will co-ordinate with the Auditor's office to come up with a millage that will be sufficient to handle expenses. A levy will need to be on the November ballot.

NEW BUSINESS:

Warren County Farm Bureau will hold a breakfast on February 16 from 8-11am at Lebanon High School. The public is invited, and cost is only one dollar.

As there was no further business, Schaefer made motion, seconded by Hagemeyer, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:17pm.

Denver Williams
Trustee President

Karen Doney
Fiscal Officer

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