

Record of Proceedings – March 25, 2024
Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Scott Hagemeyer. With Trustees Jason Fisher and Dale Settlemeyre, Fiscal Officer Sharon Coffman, and Road Supervisor Allen Stanforth present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of March 11, 2024 were mailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Warrants 12245 through 12262 totaling \$10,220.92 were presented for approval.

A motion was made by Mr. Fisher to approve the minutes for the March 11, 2024 regular meeting, Mr. Settlemeyre seconded. Hagemeyer, aye; Fisher, aye; Settlemeyre, aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Settlemeyre and seconded by Mr. Fisher to pay the bills as presented. Hagemeyer, aye; Fisher, aye, Settlemeyre aye. Motion passed.

Present for the meeting were: Tim Books, Jake Henry, and Trent Kotch.

FROM THE FLOOR: Nothing

ROADS REPORT:

- Mr. Stanforth reported that the hoist cylinder was leaking on the 2014 truck. He took the cylinder to Cook's Hydraulic for repairs;
- He has not heard anything from Rob's Equipment about the Alamo mower.
- Everything else is running good.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Fisher stated that Harlan Township Trustee, Mark Shelton is pushing for a maintenance agreement between Washington Township and Harlan Township to set up a clear understanding of who maintains what on Fischer Road. Allen stated that this may affect the snow removal agreement that was done in prior years where Washington Township does the removal of Nicholson Road all the way out to Edwardsville Road and in return Harlan Township does Fischer and Strout Road out at Bonnybrook Farms. Mr. Fisher stated that this is in the beginning stages and he will keep up with it and notify everyone as it progresses. Allen will go with him when they meet on site and bring up the current snow removal agreement. The Trustees agreed that they would prefer the Prosecutor's Office draw up an agreement as opposed to a Resolution being done.
- Mr. Hagemeyer reported on the March 14, 2024 CWJFD meeting, stating that since Chief Bob Wysong passed a ton of transition has happened. There was no true succession plan in place. At a previous meeting they had hired Andrew Wysong to take over the Chief position. At this meeting they hired Brad Burton as Assistant Chief. Or as referred to on paper as Chief of EMS. Salary and benefits for this position will run \$113,000.00 annually. To help cover this cost Adams Township has agreed to raise their contract for coverage of their eastern portion from \$100,000.00 annually to \$220,000.00 annually for the years 2024 and 2025.

The department has 3 life squads currently. A 1998 that has been out of service due to no brakes. They approved money to have the brakes repaired so they could get it back in service. The 2012 squad is a constant maintenance project and is currently awaiting repairs to be finished in the amount of 4,000.00 so it can be back in service. It has over 100,000 miles on it. The third squad is a 2021 model and is not paid for yet. Talks included possibly replacing the 2012 squad with a new one. It would take 3 years to get one built at a price of \$375,000.00. One idea is to sell their 2006 Pumper that they do not use much. It has a value of \$125,000.00 and that could be used for a down payment on a new squad.

Since the last meeting the department had 80 EMS runs and 58 Fire runs.

- Major Steve Arrasmith will attend the April 8, 2024 meeting to give his annual report.
- A motion was made by Mr. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Settlemyre to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM.

Scott Hagemeyer
Trustee President

Sharon Coffman
Fiscal Officer