



ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JUNE 15, 2017

The Ross Township Board of Trustees met in regular session to transact business for Ross Township.

CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present - Thomas E. Willsey, Raymond J. Wurzelbacher and Ellen Yordy.

PROCEDURAL ACTION

Motion 17-078

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 1, 2017.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Motion 17-079

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Wurzelbacher, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 1, 2017.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried..

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administration – Bob Bass provided an explanation for four resolutions to be considered as follows: evidence of three new possible nuisance properties, possible submission for a COPS Grant application, an appropriation increase to the Fish-with-a-Cop fund, and a request for a nuisance assessment. He also provided an update on two open nuisance cases.

Fire Department – Chief Steve Miller had no report.

Road Department – Road Superintendent Paul Bulach announced his findings regarding the possible set up of a no parking zone on Mardell Court and provided an update on the paving of Layhigh Road.

Police Department – Acting Chief Jack Tremain provided an explanation for the resolution to proceed with Lexipol policy adoption. He also proudly announced that the department has received certification through the Ohio Collaborative Law Enforcement Agency as a department “committed to law enforcement and the community it serves”. He provided details for the

successful Fish-with-a-Cop program on June 10th and gave details on how to apply for admission to the Respect for Law Camp.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Resident Larry Dorn, of Banyon Court advised of a possible nuisance property on Beechwood. The Board advised that the Administrator would check the property and report at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Announcements

None

Correspondence

The Butler County Engineer's Office reports that Layhigh Road will close 1.3 miles northwest of Spy Glass Drive and 0.1 mile southeast of Kirchlind Road for a culvert replacement beginning Monday, June 19, 2017. The road is tentatively scheduled to reopen the week of June 26, 2017. A detour will be set as follows: Northwest bound Layhigh Road traffic will detour west on Hamilton New London Road, north on Morgan Ross Road, and east on Ohio 748 to Layhigh. Southeast bound traffic will reverse this route.

Legislation

Purpose-The Police Department has concluded the process of updating its' operating procedures through the online Lexipol policy management program. Those policies have been rewritten and are now ready for adoption as the department's standard operating policy. This resolution adopts that policy.

Resolution 2017-026

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Wurzelbacher, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution adopting the Ross Township Police Department Lexipol Policy Manual.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Purpose- Earlier in the meeting, the Administrator provided evidence of nuisance violations to exist at various properties on Robin Avenue, Central Drive and Cardinal Avenue. This resolution declares those properties to be a nuisance and orders their abatement.

Resolution 2017-027

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution declaring a nuisance for accumulated debris, excessive vegetation and/or junk motor vehicle at 2231 Robin Avenue, 2333 Central Drive and 2084 Cardinal Avenue.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Purpose-Earlier in the meeting, the Administrator discussed the need the apply for a COPS Hiring Grant through the United States Department of Justice to hire one full time Police Officer. This resolution authorizes that application.

Resolution 2017-028

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution authorizing application for a grant from the United States Department of Justice for 2017 COPS Hiring Program grant funds to assist with the essential cost for the acquisition of one full time police officer and authorizing the Township Administrator to execute any required documents in connection with the grant application.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Purpose-A resolution is needed to make provisions for the current expenses and other expenditures from the Fish-with-a-Cop Program. This resolution increases revenue for the Fish-with-a-Cop fund and allows for expenditures from the fund.

Resolution 2017-029

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Wurzelbacher, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution amending revenue in various funds, and requesting an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources from the Butler County Auditor.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Purpose-At Board of Trustees Resolution Number 2017-022 the Trustees declared a nuisance existed at 2012 Layhigh Road which required abatement by the Township's abatement crews. This resolution certifies the abatement expenses to the County Auditor for assessment.

Resolution 2017-030

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution certifying dangerous structure or nuisance violation abatement expenses at 2012 Layhigh Road e to the County Auditor for assessment.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Motion 17-080

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Wurzelbacher, the Board voted to approve the following voucher/warrants totaling \$105,842.77 and authorize payment:

NUMBER	PAYEE	AMOUNT
43926	ARSLAN UNIFORMS - PUBLIC SAFETY	\$200.00
43927	BILL SPADE ELECTRIC INC	\$392.81
43928	CENTER MASS DEFENSE	\$1,250.00
43929	D&R TARPING	\$27.60
43930	DUKE ENERGY	\$421.50

43931	ELLEN W. YORDY	\$46.39
43932	KIESLER'S POLICE SUPPLY INC	\$768.00
43933	KRISTEN L. GILLUM	\$160.00
43934	LARRY'S FOOD MART	\$37.57
43935	MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO	\$14,550.54
43936	NORTHGATE FORD LINCOLN MERCURY INC	\$187.56
43937	PAUL CONWAY SHIELDS	\$552.88
43938	PROGRESSIVE PLUMBING CO	\$160.00
43939	R.A. STEMPFLEY CONTRACTOR LLC	\$10,125.00
43940	REFFITT'S AUTO REPAIR	\$325.00
43941	SAFETY-KLEEN SYSTEM INC	\$206.10
43943	TIME WARNER CABLE	\$128.08
43944	TRACTOR SUPPLY STORE	\$189.97
43945	TREASURER STATE OF OHIO	\$948.00
43946	TRI-STATE EQUIPMENT G E S	\$33.60
43947	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$560.22
43948	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$21.17
43949	VOGELPOHL FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$2,802.96
43950	SNYDER'S ANTIQUE AUTO PARTS INC	\$142.54
43951	AIRGAS GREAT LAKES	\$630.57
43952	BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$750.00
43953	CHRIS PETTY	\$133.83
43954	ENERGY	\$2,386.77
43955	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	\$2,872.93
43956	KNOX COMPANY	\$637.00
43957	PARTSMASTER	\$194.37
43958	PENN CARE	\$97.79
43959	PRO CHEM, INC	\$930.69
43960	ROSS AUTO PARTS	\$31.07
43961	ROSS CLOTHING	\$577.50
43961	ROSS CLOTHING	-\$100.00
43962	ROSS HARDWARE	\$230.48
43963	SOUTHWEST REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT	\$188.84
43964	TIME WARNER CABLE	\$219.98
43965	WM E FAGALY & SON INC	\$378.10
43966	SHAWN E MAY	\$102.53
43967	CHIEF STEVE MILLER	\$85.00

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Motion 17-081

There being no further business to come before the Board at the time; upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.

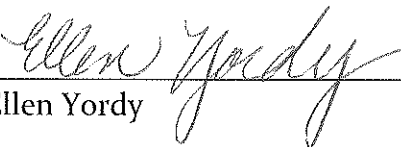
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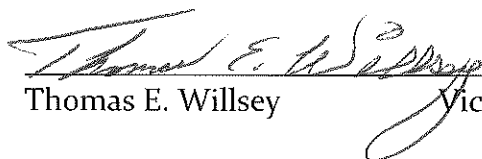
The next regular meeting of the Ross Township Board of Trustees will be held

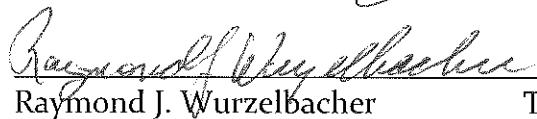
on July 6, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Ross Township Government Center.

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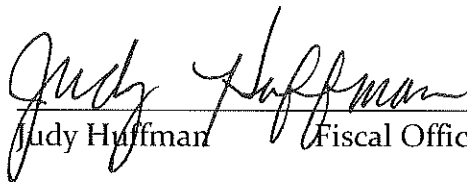
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Judy Huffman Fiscal Officer