



ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 4, 2015

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

ROLL CALL

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

PROCEDURAL ACTION

Motion 15-082

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 16, 2015. The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, which motion carried.

Motion 15-083

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Wurzelbacher, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 16, 2015. The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, which motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Judy Huffman reported as of this date the township has on deposit \$3,403,756.99. She provided the Board with copies of the Bank Reconciliation Statement and the Cash Summary by Fund Report for July, 2015.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administration

Administrator Bob Bass provided the Board with an update on the nuisance program collections since 2010 and open nuisance violations. He stated that collections are going far better than he thought would be the case with about 12% of all collections currently past due. He asked the Board to consider whether or not complaints should allowed to be anonymously filed. He also requested consideration for the following two resolutions: declaring three new nuisance cases and the reduction of a grant fund through amendment.

Fire Department

Chief Steve Miller presented the monthly report for July, 2015 and advised that his department has received a \$3,500 EMS

Training and Equipment grant through the Ohio Department of Public Safety. The Administrator explained that he will present a resolution later in the meeting to enter into the grant agreement.

Road Department

Superintendent Paul Bulach provided information regarding repairs on two culverts on Kirchling Road and that the road is back open to through traffic. He also reported an update on the 2015 large pavement repairs noting that two of the five slated repairs have been completed. The remaining repairs are on Sorbus, Herman and Wade Mill.

Police Department

Chief Darryl Haussler presented the monthly report for July, 2015. He also advised of the annual meeting with the Ross School District Superintendent regarding the SRO position. He was pleased to announce that both agencies are pleased with the Memorandum of Understanding language and the performance of SRO Lutterbie. As such, he asked the Board to consider a motion re-endorsing the MOU.

Motion 15-084

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to re-endorse the Memorandum of Understanding with the Ross Local School District for use of a School Resource Officer through the Ross Township Police Department. The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, which motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

OLD BUSINESS

In response to a question raised at the July 16th meeting, the Administrator advised that there is an August 6th meeting scheduled to discuss any open issues prior to the August 20th Board meeting where the adoption of the Rumpke Waste and Recycling bid will be considered. He noted that Rumpke's intention is to allow residents to keep their existing recycling bins if they so desire.

The Administrator also announced that the current internet auction will begin at midnight on August 12th and run until 8:00pm on August 26th on GovDeals.com. The auction item details and bidding requirements are listed on the Township's website (www.rosstwp.org).

NEW BUSINESS

Announcements

None.

Correspondence

The Board received a memo from resident Jeff Cornwell objecting to the possible entry into a contract for waste removal on behalf of the Township's residents.

Legislation

Purpose - Upon receipt of a complaint, the Administrator gathered and presented evidence of accumulated debris and excessive vegetation and/or junked automobile at 4145 Bruce Drive, 2231 Robin Avenue and 4330 Hamilton Cleves Road. Through this resolution, the Board declares this property to be a nuisance.

Resolution 2015-045

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Wurzelbacher, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution declaring a nuisance for accumulated debris, excessive vegetation and/or junk motor vehicle at 4145 Bruce Drive, 2231 Robin Avenue and 4330 Hamilton Cleves Road. The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, which motion carried.

Purpose - At Resolution Number 2014-051, the Township entered into project grant agreement with the FEMA for the purchase of a brush truck in the Fire Department. The resolution also authorized transfer of \$10,000.00 from the General Fund to the grant fund. Due to a reduction in the money actually spent for the purchase, the following resolution is necessary to amend Resolution Number 2014-051 by revising the amounts originally appropriated to the grant fund.

Resolution 2015-046

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution amending Ross Township Resolution Number 2014-051 by reducing the amounts originally appropriated to the grant fund for the execution of a Federal Emergency Management Agency - FY 2013 - Assistance to Firefighters grant for the purchase of a brush truck in the fire department 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, which motion carried.

Purpose - Earlier in this meeting, the Fire Chief advised that he has obtained a \$3,500 reimbursement EMS Training and Equipment Grant through the Ohio Department of Public Safety for its EMS training and equipment in the Fire Department. This resolution enters the Township into a grant agreement for EMS

Training and Equipment Grant.

Resolution 2015-047

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Wurzelbacher, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution entering into a project grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Public Safety for its EMS Training and Equipment Grant in the Fire Department; authorizing the Fire Chief to execute the Project; establishing grant fund number 2901 entitled "EMS Training and Equipment Grant"; authorizing an advance of funds; budgeting receipts and making appropriations for expenses; 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, which motion carried.

Motion 15-073

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to approve the following voucher/warrants totaling \$770,012.96 and authorized payment:

NUMBER	PAYEE	AMOUNT
42183	HUFF REALTY	\$25,000.00
42184	3Z VC, LLC	\$145.00
42185	A. E. DAVID COMPANY	\$797.29
42186	AIRGAS GREAT LAKES	\$63.20
42187	ALVIS MATERIALS	\$46.50
42188	BUTLER COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION	\$70.00
42189	CAMP SAFETY EQUIPMENT, INC.	\$270.00
42190	DELTA DENTAL	\$583.27
42191	HAMILTON RENTAL CENTER	\$27.20
42192	KLEI LAWNMOWER SALES & SERVICE CO.	\$64.13
42193	OHIO PEACE OFFICER TRAINING ACADEMY	\$205.00
42194	OHIO SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATON	\$49.00
42195	SIGN EFFECTS SIGN CO	\$110.00
42196	VOGELPOHL FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$2,089.20
42197	WATSON GRAVEL, INC.	\$295.50
42198	WAYNE'S GARAGE LLC	\$338.46
42199	WOODHULL LLC	\$466.49
42200	CHIEF STEVE MILLER	\$77.50
42201	ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS INC	\$614.27
42202	AT&T MOBILITY	\$926.73
42203	ATLAS OUTFITTERS	\$180.50
42204	ELLEN W. YORDY	\$400.43
42205	JEFF CLARK	\$25.83
42206	JENNEILE ENTERPRISES	\$37.54
42207	JUDY HUFFMAN	\$130.29
42208	KRISTEN L. GILLUM	\$120.00
42209	PAUL BULACH	\$490.10
42210	TRACTOR SUPPLY STORE	\$55.80
42211	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$15.10
42212	VISION SERVICE PLAN - (OH)	\$200.18

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