

# MINUTES OF THE ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

## April 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on April 12, 2016. Those in attendance were Trustees Linda Hankins, Joe Paulus and David McIntyre, JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer, Chief Charles Palmer, Road Superintendent Bill Hahn, Zoning Inspector Mark Tirpak, Zoning Administrative Assistant Jordan Michael and Trustees Administrative Assistant Julie Gonzales.

**Resolution No. 2016-064** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Linda Hankins to accept the minutes of March 22, 2016. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, abstained, Dave McIntyre, yea.

### ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT

There were six (6) acts of business.

- 2 – decks
- 1 – fence
- 1 – swimming pool
- 1 – Agricultural Building
- 1 – Accessory Building

Mark reported they met with Chris Meduri regarding the Len Ran building on Karry Drive and building will be removed by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Palmer presented an occupancy permit to be placed in the Town Hall. Chief Palmer has been working with the Portage County Building Department to get occupancy permits placed in all facilities in the township.

The aerial ladder truck has been re-financed. This is a savings of \$25,000. The payments are the same and there are five (5) more years remaining. Chief Palmer said the ambulance will be paid off in the middle of May.

### FISCAL OFFICER

**Resolution No. 2016-065** - Motion by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to pay bills on file with the Fiscal Officer. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

### CITIZENS COMMENTS

Brian Hawley of 4093 Karry Drive was present to inform the Trustees of the condition of Karry Drive. He would like to know if there is anything the Township can do to fix the road. The owner

of the road refuses to fix it and also refuses the residence fix it. He has a petition of 22 signatures. Dave said Karry Drive is a private drive and the Trustees cannot go onto private property. Mark said there are a lot of issues where the Len Ran property is located. Chief Palmer said the road is so bad he would hesitate taking the ambulance down there.

Vanessa Gyoker of 4089 Karry Drive agreed that the road is very bad. She suggested an apron be put in the road. It would at least alleviate an accident. Bill will contact ODOT.

Kathy also of Karry Drive said there are four (4) homeowners on Karry Drive and the rest are renters. The homeowners are currently in litigation with Len Ran, Inc.

Mr. Hawley said the property owner (Lisa Brawley) said you should buy the property if you want it to go away. Brian asked for a letter of support from the Trustees. Chief Palmer also agreed to prepare a letter of support.

Dave said he would check with legal counsel to see if there is anything the Township can do.

#### 2016 Chip & Seal Project 7 1/2 miles of Road - Bid Opening

H. Luli Construction	\$ 125,051.92
Melway Paving Co. Inc.	\$ 128,145.45
Hughes Contracting	\$ 116,952.28

Bill will deliver the bid packages to the County Engineer for a bid tabulation and then to the Prosecutor's Office. Bill said the cost of gravel is \$28.45/ton. He will need approximately 700 tons.

### **ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Bill received the Storm Water Prevention Plan from Beaver Excavating which was prepared by Jacob Ford at no cost. Bill has a message into Eric Long of Soil & Water to review the plan. Bill said Jacob Ford is also able to do inspections. He is not sure of the cost at this time.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Clean Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at the New Milford Road Salt Shed Site from 8:00 AM – Noon. Tires, appliances and computers will be accepted – no paint.

Linda gave Bill information on the MORE Program sponsored by OTARMA. The MORE Grant Program provides an OTARMA Member up to \$500 for the following qualifying expenses:

- o **Ohio Township Association Annual Conference** - Registration fees (only) for the Ohio Township Association's Annual Conference are eligible.
- o **Safety Equipment** - Automatic Electronic Defibrillators (AEDs) and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as reflective vests, turnout gear, respiratory devices, bulletproof vest, and other safety or protective equipment are eligible.

- o **Risk Management and Safety Training, Workshops or Seminars** - The fees for Risk Management and Safety Education.

Bill will complete the application.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution No. 2016-066** - Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Dave McIntyre to contribute \$350.00 towards the 2016 Memorial Day Parade sponsored by the Lion's Club. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

**Resolution No. 2016-067** – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by David McIntyre for the Rootstown Township Trustees to move into executive session at 6:20 PM to discuss economic development regarding the JEDD with Attorney Chad Murdock. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

**Resolution No. 2016-068** - Upon conclusion of the above referenced discussion a motion was made by David McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus for the Rootstown Township Trustees to move out of executive session at 7:36 PM. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

After exiting Executive Session, the Trustees took no action.

**Resolution No. 2016-069** - There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, Chairperson Hankins adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Linda Hankins, Chairperson

  
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JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer