

## **MINUTES OF THE ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**

### **April 22, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on April 22, 2014. Those in attendance were Trustees Joe Paulus and David McIntyre, JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer, Chief Charles Palmer, Road Superintendent Bill Hahn, Zoning Inspector Mark Tirpak and Julie Gonzales.

**Resolution No. 2014-071** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to accept the minutes of April 8, 2014. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, absent, David McIntyre, yea.

### **FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

The following is a breakdown for March 2014 EMS ambulance billing:

Collected Amount	\$10,925.00
Billed Amount	\$19,585.00
Year to date Billed	\$72,635.00
Year to date Collected	\$42,869.83

Chief Palmer contacted two new vendors for a quote on painting the tanker truck. He hopes to have them by the next meeting.

They are beginning to work on the ISO evaluation; they are in the area evaluating local fire departments. This process will take approximately two months.

Chief Palmer reported the members will be attending a fire investigation class in Palmyra on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. There is no cost.

### **ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Bill said the cost to rent the Crack Seal machine will be \$15,000.00. This includes the material and we will have it for two weeks. The roads have to be crack sealed before we can chip them.

**Resolution No. 2014-072** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to rent a Crack Seal machine from Seal Master in an amount of \$15,000.00. This includes the material and rent for two weeks. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, absent, David McIntyre, yea.

JoAnn requested that for higher expenses; such as the renting of the crack seal machine; that she be informed prior to the Board meeting to review the budget. JoAnn also suggested that when ever the Board discusses a project; that everything that needs to be purchased or rented should be included in the initial discussion.

The crew patched Rootstown Road.

Bill said Ohio Edison is still working on repaving Hattrick and Campbellsport Roads.

Bill reported the bathroom at the rental house still needs painted. He suggested cleaning the carpets. The Board asked Bill to get several quotes for carpet cleaning. JoAnn will draft an advertisement to put in the newspaper.

The Road Crew is getting ready to repair a collapsed catch basin in Hidden Knolls. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> catch basin in that area that needed to be repaired.

#### Cemetery

There were no funerals since the last meeting.

They will be pouring the footers on Thursday.

**Resolution No. 2014-073** – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Dave McIntyre to hire Jeff Parsons Company to mow the Homeland Cemetery in an amount not to exceed \$475.00 per cut. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, absent, David McIntyre, yea.

#### Park

The trees have been planted at the park.

### **ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT**

There were two (2) acts of business.

Mark has been working on three complaints regarding zoning.

Mark asked who will be taking the minutes of the Zoning Commission meeting during the public hearing. The Board suggested Jeff Michaels, Assistant Zoning Inspector.

Mark reported that Regional Planning Commission is reviewing Ravenna Township's Comprehensive Plan and thought may be they could combine with Rootstown.

### **FISCAL OFFICER**

**Resolution No. 2014-074** - 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: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, absent, David McIntyre, yea.

### Rootstown Township Historical Society Presentation

Norm Reynolds and Shirley Riemenschneider of the Rootstown Township Historical Society presented the Township Trustees with an authentic Rootstown Township map of 1874. The map will be hung in the Town Hall.

### **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Joe asked Mike Kerrigan of NEOMED about the phone polls at the college. Mr. Kerrigan said they are realigning and replacing several of the existing polls with new ones.

Several residents were present to express their concern of a motocross race track that has surfaced this spring.

- Judy Watkins of Forest Glen Trail said her property is adjacent to the track and the noise, fumes and dust is unbearable. Her two sons who have asthma are unable to stay in her home. Ms. Watkins said they usually begin at 11:00 AM and run until 8:00 PM. She believes a Motocross Club has been established.
- Tom Cochran also of Forest Glen Trail said on Easter Sunday they began to run their bikes. Mr. Cochran spoke to Steve Nero who owns a portion of the property the track is on; he informed him they were going to have an Easter gathering and asked that they not run the bikes. Mr. Nero said they were not going to run today, they were going away for the day.
- Mary Cochran of Forest Glen Trail said they are unable to open their windows or doors because of the noise. Ms. Cochran and Ms. Watkins treat the pond and she doubts they will be using it this year due to the track.
- Dave Rude of Forest Glen Trail asked if their "Club" could it be considered a business.

The Trustees agreed to contact Chris Meduri for advice.

Brian and Sara Miley of Sapphire Road (Stone Ridge Development) were present they are concerned of the land around them being used as farm land. He said he has deed restrictions and farming is listed. Dave said he also received a call from a citizen in Stone Ridge Development regarding the same issue. There is no association in the development and only deed restrictions from the developer.

Mr. Miley also said on occasion they have an issue with their ditch backing up. Bill said he would take a look at it.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Joe said we are still looking for Park Committee members. Dave suggested talking to the past members to see if they were interested.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Portage County Township Association Meeting will be Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at the Portage County Engineer's Facility.

A public meeting with Congressman Jim Renacci will be held Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM. Joe will contact the school to see if the cafeteria is available.

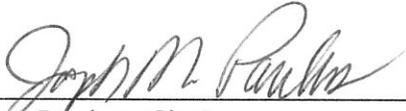
Dave said on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> the Hot Stove will have a Girls All-Star Fast Pitch Tournament at Gracie Field.

**Resolution No. 2014-075** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to advertise for bids for the Chip and Seal Project upon the completion of the bid packages from the Portage County Engineer's Office. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, absent, David McIntyre, yea.

Mary Ann Greer, Zoning Board of Appeals secretary said her recorder is not working. JoAnn will get prices and order a new one.

**Resolution No. 2014-076** - Motion by Joe Paulus to adjourn at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Joe Paulus, Chairman



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JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer