

**MINUTES OF THE ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**  
**May 13, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on May 13, 2014. Those in attendance were Trustees Joe Paulus, Linda Hankins and David McIntyre, JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer, Chief Charles Palmer, Road Superintendent Bill Hahn, and Julie Gonzales.

**Resolution No. 2014-077** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to accept the minutes of April 22, 2014. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

5:30 PM – Bid Opening for the Chip and Seal Road Project

The following bids were opened.

1) H. Luli Construction	\$ 149,715.24
2) Hughes Contracting	\$ 148,318.65
3) Specialized Construction, Inc.	\$ 186,205.22

Bill will deliver the bids for the County Engineer to review.

**Resolution No. 2014-078** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Linda Hankins to award the bid to Hughes Contracting for the Chip and Seal Project pending approval for the Portage County Engineer’s Office. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

**ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Bill reported Mr. Bob Boso who owns Wintergreen Development contacted him regarding repairing several spots in the road in the development. Mr. Boso is willing to donate \$1,000.00 for the improvements. JoAnn will contact Chris Meduri, Prosecutor’s Office to see if we are able to accept Mr. Boso’s donation.

The crew was rained out while leveling graves and placing flags at the cemetery. Once the weather breaks they will finish.

Bill said due to the storm last night; Bower Road had been closed, the culvert pipe needs replaced. Bill notified the schools and the fire department. The Trustees asked that he contact the Sheriff’s Office as well.

Bill said if the budget allows he is requesting to hire seasonal part-time help. JoAnn said the money could be allocated from the building and grounds fund.

**Resolution No. 2014-079** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to hire one seasonal part-time laborer for the Road Department. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

Joe asked if there was flooding on Hogle Avenue. Bill said the storm washed away some of the gravel into the road. The crew cleaned it up the best they could.

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

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

Billed Amount:	\$21,487.00
Collected Amount:	\$8,605.00
Year to date Collected:	\$51,475.07

**Resolution No. 2014-080** – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre to renew the contract with Blackboard Connect, Inc. for the reverse 911 system in amount not to exceed \$9,092.00. This notifies the community of bad weather alerts and other necessary communication to our community. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

For the month of April 2014 the following calls reported:

Fire	37
EMS	37
Motor Vehicle Accidents	6
Total	80

Mutual Aid:

Received	3
Given	7

Chief Palmer met with NEOMED regarding time lines for occupancies and inspections for the new Wellness Center. Another meeting will be held on Thursday.

Chief Palmer has been working on the ISO objectives with Randolph, Suffield and Brimfield Townships Fire Departments. There are certain ISO requirements that are expected of the equipment.

Chief Palmer received the following quotes for LDH hose. This is the hose that supplies the water to the trucks.

Finley Fire	\$480.00
Warren Fire	\$ 475.00
Shamrock	\$ 461.00

**Resolution No. 2014-81** – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre to purchase four (4) sections of 4" LDH hose, twenty (20) feet long from Shamrock. This supplies the crew with water to the trucks. The cost per section is \$461.00 with a total cost of \$1,844.00. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

### **FISCAL OFFICER**

**Resolution No. 2014-082** - Motion by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre to pay bills on file with the Fiscal Officer. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

**Resolution No. 2014-083** - Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to contribute \$350.00 towards the 2014 Memorial Day Parade sponsored by the Lion's Club. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

**Resolution No. 2014-084** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Linda Hankins to support the Ohio Severance Tax which returns money to the Counties impacted by Shale Development. Ohio Counties affected by horizontal drilling to address the short and long-term impacts of shale development and to invest in sustainable economic development. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

JoAnn reported the Ohio Insurance Agency, Inc. contacted her regarding scheduling a meeting to discuss health care providers. They are a similar company as Burnham and Flowers. They will research different providers and present them to the Trustees. The Board declined the meeting.

The Board received the 2014 Annual Report from the Portage County Sheriff's Department.

JoAnn received the detailed information she needed to advertise for the rental house. Bill said the carpets will be cleaned next Tuesday.

JoAnn said there is an article in the April issue of the Grassroots Clipper regarding leasing of a township facility.

Joe asked the status of the ground leases. JoAnn will follow up with Chris Meduri

### **NEW BUSINESS**

How to identify portable meth labs will be a seminar of the Portage County Health Department on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

The Park Committee's first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Rootstown Park at the pavilion beside the playground.

Dave spoke to Mike Kerrigan, NEOMED regarding a mini farmers market and a memorial which was held for the participants who donated their bodies to the college.

Dave said another entrance will be made at the Dollar General adjacent to the ball field. There will also be another exit (right turn only) at Giant Eagle.

Linda shared information to the Board regarding a grant sponsored by OTARMA.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Congressman Renacci will be hosting a town hall meeting on Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM at the Rootstown High School cafeteria.

Clean up day is scheduled for Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Board discussed the ongoing mess at the New Milford Road Recycling Site. Bill said the cameras that are installed do not pick up anything occurring at night. It would cost a lot to replace the cameras.

Mark spoke to Mr. Nero regarding the motocross track in Forest Glen Development. Mark said there is no evidence for him to justify a violation letter. Joe will contact the property owners that were concerned.

Joe spoke to the Muzzy Lake Association and there is nothing in place that would require them not to follow the townships zoning regulations.

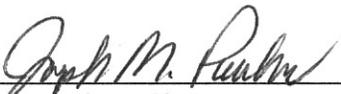
JoAnn said DB Hart completed the township's Comprehensive Plan and Mr. Pascarello updated it. JoAnn asks if we wish to re-do or update the plan? Joe will contact Regional Planning Commission for guidance.

JoAnn spoke to the insurance agent regarding the depth of the pond. There is no specifications as to how shallow/deep a pond should be.

The Board agreed to re-advertise for the Zoning Assistant position.

**Resolution No. 2014-085** - Motion by Joe Paulus to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Joe Paulus, Chairman

  
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JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer