

MINUTES OF THE ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

June 11, 2013

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on June 11, 2013. Those in attendance were Trustees Diane Dillon, Brett Housley and Joe Paulus, Chief Charles Palmer, John Lallathin, Jim Mahood, and Julie Gonzales.

Resolution No. 2013-085 – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Diane Dillon to accept the minutes of May 28, 2013. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Brett Housley yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Diane Dillon, yea.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

5:30 PM: The following bids were open for the chip and seal project for Rootstown Township Roads:

Hughes Contracting, Inc	\$ 62,091.36
H. Luli Construction	\$ 65,472.80

Resolution No. 2013-086 – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Diane Dillon to award bid to Hughes Contracting, Inc. (lowest bidder) for the chip and seal project for Rootstown Township roads contingent upon the review of the Portage County Prosecutor's Office. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Brett Housley yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Diane Dillon, yea.

John reported the clutch on the hydraulic pump was replaced by the road crew. This was a savings of approximately \$400.00.

The Ford truck is at CTR getting two bearings replaced at a cost of \$90.00 each.

The summer help started Monday. Only one of the two workers came in, but Family & Community Services is in the process of getting another worker.

The road crew will be patching this week weather permitting.

Joe said the County Engineer forwarded him a RUMA (Road Use and Maintenance Agreement) and he will format it for an agreement with NEOMED for Loretta Drive.

Cemetery

There were two (2) cremations since the last meeting.

Park

Weather permitting, the summer help will start staining the dock and pavilions.

John said an older child got stuck in the baby swing at the park. The fire department was called and they cut the swing to get the child out. The swing will need to be replaced.

Diane asked John to remind Bill to place a bench at the top of the dam by the pond and by the trail.

Brett asked John if Bill had gone to the Tax Map Department regarding the property on Prospect Street. John did not know. Diane told Brett he could access that information online. She will forward Brett the link.

Joe received a letter of intent from Andrew Hawkins, Superintendent of Rootstown Local Schools who are interested in purchasing the 2003 Sterling Truck. He forwarded the letter to JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer. Joe will contract Chris Meduri for the procedure of selling township property.

Joe attended a meeting at NEOMED with Commissioner Frederick, Brad Ehrhart, Director of Portage Development Board and Anthony Zumbo of the County Engineer Department to discuss the potential widening of State Route 44 from the existing three (3) lanes to five (5) lanes from the I-76 expressway to the Tallmadge Road intersection. The projected cost will be four million dollars. The Trustees are not in favor of the expansion project.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT

There were five (5) acts of business.

- 1 2 - fence
- 1 1 - deck
- 1 1 - detached garage
- 1 1 - sign

Jim reported two (2) mylars were signed. There were two (2) variance applications applied for from James Rykaceski and Ellen Eisele.

Jim sent a letter to the Rockland Homes regarding using the wrong address for their model home. They are using 4314 Lynn Road for their business, but it should be 4250 Lynn Road.

Jim sent another email regarding the permit fees to NEOMED.

Jim spoke to Claudia James, Regional Planning Commission regarding the Industrial Park Plat. Jim is going to ask JoAnn if she received a mylar for this land.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Palmer reported they will have the pumps on the trucks tested in Suffield next week. This is done annually and required by the State. The cost is \$175.00 each truck.

Chief Palmer gave the Trustees a copy of a letter from Mayor Bica regarding future dispatching costs. Chief Palmer is in the process of contacting other dispatching agencies for price comparisons.

Diane asked Chief Palmer if there is a plan in place for the City of Kent Fire Department for resident and non-resident ambulance billing and the KSU students. Chief Palmer said it depends on what address the person uses on the report. Sometimes they put their home address and not their dorm.

FISCAL OFFICER

Resolution No. 2013-087 - Motion by Joe Paulus and seconded by Diane Dillon to pay bills on file with the Fiscal Officer. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Brett Housley yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Diane Dillon, yea.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS

Donovan Hysell owns the building at 4882 S. Prospect Street across from the monument store he came to the Trustees with an issue that occurred. Mr. Hysell said Troy Cutwright, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals came into his business and was yelling at his business partner (Mark Rolands) saying that we had an illegal building. He was also yelling at employees. Mr. Hysell would like Troy removed from his volunteer position on the Zoning Board. He has tried to contact Troy by phone but he will not answer. Mr. Hysell said he contacted Mr. Mahood who informed him he has all the correct permits and is not in any violation. Brett said he would see Troy next week and would confront him. The Board agreed to meet with Troy at the next Trustee meeting in executive session on June 25th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Diane has contacted several electricians for the park. She will keep the Board updated.

Resolution No. 2013-088 - Motion by Joe Paulus to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brett Housley, Chairman

JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer