

MINUTES OF THE ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

September 13, 2016

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on September 13, 2016. Those in attendance were Trustees Linda Hankins, Joe Paulus and David McIntyre, JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer, Fire Chief Charles Palmer, Road Superintendent Bill Hahn, Zoning Inspector Mark Tirpak, Zoning Administrative Assistant Jordan Michael and Trustees Administrative Assistant Julie Gonzales.

Resolution No. 2016-150 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Joe Paulus to accept the minutes of August 23, 2016. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Resolution No. 2016-151 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Joe Paulus to purchase fifty (50) Roper Boxes in an amount not to exceed \$ 947.00. This program assists Rootstown residents and allows the fire department to enter the home in the event of an emergency. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

Chief Palmer reported the Portage County Health Department will be having a Flu Shot Clinic at the fire station Tuesday, October 11, 2016 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

Resolution No. 2016-152 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Joe Paulus to offer Township employees flu shots at the fire station on October 11, 2016. The Portage County Health Department accepts the Township health insurance (Medical Mutual) and part-time employees will be \$30.00 (paid by the Township). The Health Department will invoice the Township. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

Resolution No. 2016-153 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Joe Paulus to purchase eight (8) mattresses for the dormitory at the Fire Station from Randolph Home Furnishings in an amount of \$ 360.00/each. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

Chief Palmer reported that Gabe Tabelaing accepted a full time position with the Streetsboro Fire Department. He will remain part-time with our department. Chief Palmer requested to begin the hiring process to replace him.

Resolution No. 2016-154 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre to begin the hiring process to replace a Fire Department employee Gabe Tabelaing which consists of a written exam, physical agility test and medical surveillance test as required by the state fire pension. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT

There were seven (7) permits issued.

- 2 – Houses
- 2 – Additions
- 1 – Agriculture
- 1 – Home occupation
- 1 – Sign

Jordan received the terms and conditions for the online auction site (Public Surplus). He will forward the email to JoAnn for review.

Jordan has a flash drive with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP). Joe would also like a copy.

Resolution No. 2016-155 – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Dave McIntyre to authorize Chris Meduri, Portage County Prosecutor's Office to move forward with the civil prosecution for the property located at 4116 August Avenue, Rootstown Township (Shumann's Roadside Towing). Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

Resolution No. 2016-156 – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Dave McIntyre to authorize Chris Meduri, Portage County Prosecutor's Office to move forward with the civil prosecution for the property located at 4509 State Route 44, Rootstown Township (NEOMED). Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

The 2004 dump truck was appraised at \$9,000.00. Bill received a quote from Salem Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge for a 2017 F550 for \$37,503.00. The conversion package which includes the plow, dump and lights is an additional \$44,987.00. These are both State bid pricing.

Cemetery

There was one funeral since the last meeting.

Bill has the operator's union insurance information for the park project for Chris Meduri to review. Bill suggested the park close once they begin to move in equipment, etc.

The Trustees agreed on the style of the new road signs. These will be purchased through Municipal Signs.

Resolution No. 2016-157 – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to stripe all the township roads that were chipped and sealed (5 miles) in an amount of \$8,675.00. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

6:00 PM – Linda opened the Public Hearing
Proposed Zoning Amendment 2016-003
Section 480.02 – Certification (Wind Energy Systems)

At the August 2, 2016 Zoning Commission meeting, a motion was passed unanimously to amend Section 480.02 of the zoning resolution.

Resolution No. 2016-158 – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Dave McIntyre to amend zoning amendment 2016-003 Section 480.02 – Certification (Wind Energy Systems) upon the recommendation of the Rootstown Zoning Commission as follows:

Section 480.02 – Certification (Wind Energy Systems)

Section 480.02 Existing:

The foundation, tower, and compatibility of the tower with the rotor and rotor-related equipment shall be certified in writing by a structural engineer registered in Ohio that they conform to good engineering practices and comply with the appropriate provisions of the Ohio Building Code.

Section 480.02 Proposed (shown in bold):

The foundation, tower, and compatibility of the tower with the rotor and rotor-related equipment shall be certified in writing by a structural engineer registered in Ohio **or the state of manufacture** that they conform to good engineering practices and comply with the appropriate provisions of the Ohio Building Code.

It was reviewed by the Portage County Regional Planning Commission and the Portage County Prosecutor's Office with no objections. There were no concerns from the public. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:07 PM.

FISCAL OFFICER

Resolution No. 2016-159 - 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.

Resolution No. 2016-160 – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to accept the tax amounts and rates as determined by the Portage County Budget Commission for FY 2017. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Dave McIntyre, yea.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mike Szabo of Rootstown Road asked Dave if he received the email regarding the different properties. Dave received the email and reviewed it with JoAnn and we do have taxable property such as the rental house and farmland that Don Smith was farming.

Dave said storm water fees for ditch #7 was never taxed or paid. These fees were never put on the tax bills.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Linda said only 3 of the 8 member attended the Park Commission meeting last week. Linda said there has not been a full board in months. She suggested creating an attendance policy. A decision in regards to attendance will be postponed until the first of the year.

Linda asked if grass should be planted at the park before winter. Dave has information on grass seed and will forward it to Linda. Bill will check with the operator's union to see if they would be willing to plant grass when we are ready.

NEW BUSINESS

The Trustees received correspondence from First Energy indicating they would be doing some work on the utility poles on Campbellsport Road. Dave asked Bill to take pictures of the road and to monitor them.

Trick or Treat is set for Sunday, October 30, 2016 from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM. Those who wish to participate are to turn on their porch light.

Resolution No. 2016-161 – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus for the Rootstown Township Trustees to move into executive session at 6:35 PM to discuss economic development regarding the JEDD. Also attending Attorney Chad Murdock, retained by the township for JEDD purposes. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Linda Hankins, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

Resolution No. 2016-162 - Upon conclusion of the above referenced discussion a motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by David McIntyre for the Rootstown Township Trustees to move out of executive session at 7:50 PM. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea; David McIntyre, yea.

After exiting Executive Session, the Trustees took no action.

Resolution No. 2016-163 - There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, Chairperson Hankins adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Hankins, Chairperson



JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer