

MINUTES OF THE ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES September 23, 2014

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on September 23, 2014. Those in attendance were Trustees Joe Paulus, Linda Hankins and David McIntyre, JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer, Chief Charles Palmer, Road Superintendent Bill Hahn, Administrative Assistant Jordan Michael and Julie Gonzales.

Resolution No. 2014-139 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre to accept the minutes of September 9, 2014. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Resolution No. 2014-140 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre to approve wage increases for the full-time members of the Fire Department. The total amount of the increases are \$15,000.00/including pension. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

Chief Palmer reported the Portage County Health Department will be having a Flu Shot Clinic at the fire station Thursday, October 2, 2014 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

Resolution No. 2014-141 – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre to offer Township employees flu shots at the fire station on October 2, 2014. The Portage County Health Department will invoice the Township. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

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

Billed Amount:	\$31,891.00
Collected Amount:	\$9,892.00
Year to date Billed	\$219,638.00
Year to date Collected:	\$112,839.00

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Bill gave the Trustees the agreement with Curt Wise in regards to the installation of the pipe at the park. They will move forward in purchasing the 10" perforated pipe.

The Road Crew will be patching a portion of Hattrick Road and Gerland Circle this week.

On Friday, the Road Crew will be taking the Bob Cat to Clover Drive to remove the asphalt from sections of the road that are crumbling. On Monday, Ravenna Township agreed to help re-pave the sections of the road.

The Board agreed for Bill and the Road Crew to attend a Snow & Ice Seminar at Lake Hodgson on October 2nd.

The chip and seal project for Homestead Road will be completed this week.

They will be roadside mowing next week.

There were no funerals since the last meeting.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT

There were four (4) acts of business.

- 2 – Sheds
- 2 – Accessory buildings

Jordan reported the Zoning Commission voted to send the RV (Recreational Vehicle) amendment to the Portage County Prosecutor's Office and the Regional Planning Commission for review.

The Zoning Board of Appeals just reviewed and approved a digital sign to be installed at the Community Bible Church.

Jordan reported the Zoning Commission approved Mark Robison's house deeming it an accessory use to a storage site/combined home/office.

Jordan said Bob Moser asked that one of the Trustees contact him regarding a proposal he has for adding additional storage units adjacent to the Old Cemetery. The Board asked Jordan to contact Mr. Moser and invite him to the next Board Meeting.

Joe asked Jordan to check the zoning book regarding "flappy signs".

Joe also asked Jordan to check if permits are required for vendors (i.e. NEOMED Farmer's Market and Community Expo).

Resolution No. 2014-142 – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Linda Hankins to allow Jordan Michael, Administrative Zoning Assistant to attend the Ohio Township Association Grant Seminar on October 27, 2014 in an amount of \$65.00. The Board also agreed that Mr. Michael would be reimbursed for mileage. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

The Park Committee Meeting is September 24th at 6:00 PM.

FISCAL OFFICER

Resolution No. 2014-143 - Motion was made 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. 2014-144 – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Linda Hankins to accept the tax amounts and rates as determined by the Portage County Budget Commission for FY 2015. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

JoAnn will make the necessary arrangements for the Trustees to participate in the Community Expo.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Becky Doherty was present to inform the Trustees and residents that she is running for Common Pleas Judge in November.

Sabrina Christian-Bennett was present to inform the Trustees and residents to retain her position as County Commissioner in November.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Trustees discussed the Comprehensive Plan in conjunction with NEOMED.

Joe will send a letter to the Zoning Commission asking them to review the Sandy Lake and Muzzy Lake zoning issues as well as the status of the zoning definitions.

Resolution No. 2014-145 - Motion by Joe Paulus to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joe Paulus, Chairman



JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer