

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

### **December 9, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on December 9, 2014. Those in attendance were Trustees Joe Paulus, Linda Hankins and David McIntyre, JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer, Road Superintendent Bill Hahn, Zoning Inspector Mark Tirpak, Zoning Administrative Assistant Jordan Michael and Trustees Administrative Assistant Julie Gonzales.

**Resolution No. 2014-170** – Motion was made by Linda Hankins and seconded by Dave McIntyre accepts the minutes of November 25, 2014 and the special meeting of December 1, 2014. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

#### **FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

Linda reported the following:

The ISO Ratings are back. Chief Palmer will report at the next Board Meeting.

The truck is in the process of being painted. There was more rust than they anticipated. It should not be too much more money.

The event Saturday at the Chamber went well. There were a lot of children that attended.

Chief Duffy is taking care of the station while Chief Palmer is out. He is due back next week.

A meeting has been scheduled with John Wray of NEOMED regarding a new ambulance.

#### **ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Bill reported the brine truck is up and running.

Bill will be meeting with Straser Construction tomorrow regarding their opinion on Micro Surfacing vs. onyx road sealer.

Joe asked about the new potholes in the new chip and seal on Lynn Road past Noah's Ark. Bill said that section of road was so bad under the surface that the chip and seal did not fix it. They will patch.

The Board had questions surrounding the possibility of curb and catch basins on Sabin and Seifer Drives be included in an Issue 2 project.

JoAnn received an acceptance letter from the County Engineer for Misty Glen in Wintergreen Point effective January 3, 2015. Bill has some concerns with and would call Dan of the County Engineer prior to the Township accepting it.

Linda asked if Bill from Solid Waste was handling the mattress that was dropped off at the Recycling Site. Dave said Solid Waste hired a deputy to patrol the recycling sites. Dave suggested Bill make an initial report to the Sheriff's Office right away.

### Cemetery

There were no funerals since the last meeting.

### Park

Bill said Winters Equipment asked if they could work on the pond at the park after hours. They would bring in lights to see. The Board is not in favor of them working late at night but agreed they could work until 9:00 PM. Bill has a meeting with Mr. Winters tomorrow and will relay the information.

## **ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT**

There were no permits issued.

Joe received notification from the Muzzy Lake Association of their two representatives.

Joe said Mary Ann Greer, Secretary of the Zoning Board of Appeals left him a message. Joe called and left her a message.

Jordan is currently working on 1996 zoning files.

Jordan will be adjusting his hours due to school soon.

The Board discussed the Usage Agreement to rent the Town Hall and Pavilions. JoAnn will make the changes and Julie will have the updated version posted on the web site.

## **FISCAL OFFICER**

**Resolution No. 2014-171** - 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.

JoAnn presented information regarding the electric for the street lights to the Board.

**Resolution No. 2014-172** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Linda Hankins to hire Aspen Energy for a 24 month lease agreement for street lighting. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Joe met with D.B. Hartt regarding the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. He will have the break down and prices next week. Joe asked Mike Kerrigan of NEOMED if they would be willing to

pay half of the CLUP cost with any firm. Mr. Kerrigan said the vendor would have to be approved by NEOMED. NEOMED is working with Perkins and Will.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution No. 2014-173** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus to create a lodging excise tax of 3% pursuant to section 505.56 and 5739.01 to be levied on all transactions by which lodging is or is to be furnished to transient guests by a hotel for a consideration, in the unincorporated area of Rootstown Township. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

**Resolution No. 2014-174** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Joe Paulus that the Rootstown Board of Trustees levy an excise tax pursuant to section 5739.09(B)(1) of 3% on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be furnished to transient guests and shall deposit at least fifty percent (50%) of the revenue from the tax levied pursuant to this division into a separate fund, which shall be spent solely to make contributions to convention and visitor's bureaus operating within Portage County and that the balance of that revenue shall be deposited in the general fund. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

Roger Carpenter is interested in serving on Zoning Commission Board. Joe will contact the two boards to see who is still interested in being on the Board.

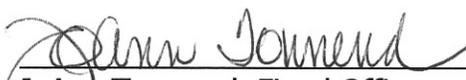
**Resolution No. 2014-175** – Motion was made by Dave McIntyre and seconded by Linda Hankins to pay for the expense for the Trustees, Fiscal Officer and Road Supervisor or any other interested Township employee to attend the Ohio Township Association Winter Conference January 28-31, 2015. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Joe Paulus, yea, Linda Hankins, yea, David McIntyre, yea.

Trustee Hankins read an affidavit from KeyBank for her ethic approval.

**Resolution No. 2014-176** - Motion by Joe Paulus to adjourn at 6:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Joe Paulus, Chairman

  
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JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer