Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, January 22, 2015

Chairman Sue White opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge. Sue stated that she reviewed the previous meeting draft minutes and found them to accurate. She asked if there were any corrections or additions. Mike moved to accept the previous meeting minutes as written. Roger seconded. RCV: Roger – yes; Mike – yes; Sue – yes. Present: Trustees Sue White, Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, FO Mary Rodenbucher, L. Klodt, R. Nichols, E. Myrla, Boy Scout Troop 559 members S. Diven, P. Diven, J. Brenes, N. Rodenbucher, G. Gleason, Cub Scout Pack 3233 N. Roberts, H. Roberts, C. Roberts, A. Roberts

Old Business

Sue welcomed the members of the Boy Scout Troop and Cub Scout Pack. They were introduced and explained they are working on a Communication Badge. One requirement is to attend a township meeting. Mike commented that some of our firefighters are Eagle Scouts and encouraged the members to continue toward this goal.

Mike reported that Witmer's attorney has our letter which contained the discussions Mike had with their service department, copies of the standard repair hours for the tractor, and the problems that continued after the repair. Mike thought about the Moyer Field usage and feels we should discuss the options with our legal counsel before opening it up for public discussion. All were in agreement.

Roger reported he received a response from ODOT regarding our request for a flashing light at SR 224 and Hartville Road due to a fatality in November. Roger read the letter from ODOT. Based on their study the intersection does not qualify for a flashing light or flashing stop sign. However, changes will be made to the stop signs on Hartville Road and Waterloo Road as well as New Milford Road.

Sue reported on the meeting with Portage Planning. The Commissioners approved the services of a grant writer for Portage Planning to help townships with grant writing. Sue explained the program. Sue stated that EMA had training today for oil/gas drilling procedures.

New Business

Mike brought up for discussion the need to repair the parking lot at the SC/CC/TH. Mike stated that we need to investigate options to repair the parking lot. There was discussion regarding realistic specs and requesting bids. There was also discussion about the use of the parking lot for unloading cars and possible compensation for its use. Roger feels that the parking lot is our number one priority at this time. Sue asked Larry how the parking compares to last year. Larry stated that there are more holes than normal.

Sue reported that there was a quarterly Zoning Meeting. They welcomed two new members ~ Paul Hyde and Joshua Allen. The Zoning Commission is planning to review the zoning book to make necessary changes. Sue and Mary are working with Bruce to get new forms in place. Sue commented that the Zoning Office is running smoothly. Sue has heard comments from residents that the township is looking better and also from some that it is looking worse. Sue reiterated that we will try to do what is right for the township.

Mary reported that we received the approved 2015 first budget amendment and permanent appropriations. Mary also reported that she received a phone call from Charles E. Harris who performs our audit. Based on the information requested Mary is hopeful that we will qualify for an AUP (Agreed Upon Procedures) which will cost us considerably less than a full audit.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 5 – 9 totaling $3,035.18 and pay warrants 36025 – 36070 and EFTs/vouchers 9 – 32 totaling $40,930.50. Roger so moved. Mike seconded. RCV: Roger – yes; Mike – yes; Sue – yes.

Larry presented the Road Department report. Larry reported on road maintenance, snow removal, and township maintenance. Larry will begin investigating the cost and size of a salt shed. Larry reported on a request from the Portage County Engineer regarding the status of right-of-way work permits. Larry stated that he requested a copy of their policy and will compare it to ours. The only problem is that the Engineer's Office does not have an inspector at this time. Roger asked if the county charged a fee. Larry stated they charge $25. The issue was tabled until further information is received.

Sue reported that there are a few people applying for variances. The upcoming meetings will be advertised.

Public Comment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Susan White

Susan White, Chairman

Mary A. Rodenbucher

Mary A. Rodenbucher, Fiscal Officer