

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, December 27, 2012

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge. Roger stated that he reviewed the previous meeting draft minutes and found them to be accurate. He asked if there were any corrections or additions. Sue moved to accept the previous meeting minutes as written. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – absent. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. Klodt,

Old Business

Roger commented that this is the last meeting of the year.

Sue stated that she is thinking of moving some people around on the Zoning Boards. Sue stated that we received several letters of interest from residents to be on the Zoning Boards. Sue stated that they are all good applicants.

Roger reported that there are no new changes to the Solid Waste Policy update from their latest meeting. Roger moved not to approve the new Solid Waste Policy update. Mike seconded. Discussion: Mike has changed his mind after reviewing the plan. He feels many people have placed quite a bit of time in it. Sue doesn't like the possibility of outsourcing. Mike commented that it is included just as an option so as not to bring in the whole board to make a decision. Mike wants to keep EPA out of it. Roger feels it will cost Portage County jobs if it privatized. His main concern is the fact that when Tuscarawas County went that way the drop off rates with a private carrier tripled the rates. He is not in favor of the increased rates. Mike stated that if EPA says we need to do it we will be required to do it. Mike feels the dedication of the board needs to be considered. Roger stated that Commissioner Smeiles is the one who wanted it in. Mike is going to trust the board to do the right thing. Sue feels the way Mike explained it is not the way she read it. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – no; Roger – no.

Roger asked if Mike spoke to Charlie Breiding about the showcases. Mike stated that Charlie is not able to do it due to time constraints. Mike stated that per Larry there is no good wood in the old administration building. Mike commented that he will contact other residents who could also do the job.

New Business

Mike has nothing at this time.

Sue commented that Dan will keep checking with the Sheriff's Office for a monthly report. Dan stated that his contact will be back in the office after the first of the year.

Roger was contacted by Visiting Nurse Hospice Group. Miss Scott asked if the township is willing help out a woman who is dying of cancer and has no money. Per the ORC we are required to provide indigent burial. Roger stated that Larry did some research on indigent burial policies that other townships have adopted. There was discussion about the various policies. The trustees were in agreement that the policy from Rootstown seemed to be the best for our township. Roger moved to adopt the indigent burial policy as per the sample on a temporary basis. Mike seconded. Discussion: Sue asked if Obamacare will help with this. Roger does not know. Mary asked if the rates will be the same. Roger yes. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary received a request from Larry to be paid for his unused vacation hours. Mike so moved. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary received a request from Bruce to carry over eight hours of vacation. Mike so moved. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary also received a request from Diane to carry over 24 vacation hours and be paid for the balance of 25 hours. Sue so moved. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary received a letter from Working Partners stating the current testing consortium expires on December 31, 2012. Due to increased costs they must increase their rates. An amendment to the original contract reflects the new prices. Mike moved to accept the amendment. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion appropriate receipts 225 – 233 totaling \$15,178.48 and pay warrants 33980 - 340⁵²~~48~~,
EFTs 1296 - 1310, and vouchers 53 - 57 totaling \$70,^{618.45}~~105.74~~. Sue so moved. Roger seconded. *MR*
RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry presented the Road Department report. Larry reported on the new truck conversion, snow retention system, park issues, truck and township property maintenance. Mike asked about the truck. Larry has not heard from them. They have quite a few trucks that were requested by a city to be completed ASAP. Mike asked Larry to stop in and check on the progress. Larry reported that the school has begun purchasing salt from us. Mike stated that if they need to use our truck it will be ok. There was one funeral for a YTD total of 16

Dan presented the Zoning Department and Trustee's Assistant report. No permits were issued. He been working on following up on pending complaints, hall rentals and maintenance and end of the year catch up. There was discussion about a property with junk vehicles. Mike asked that Dan present us with a formal letter at the next meeting. Dan stated that it has been cleaned up a bit. Mike feels we need to keep on it or we will have a big problem. Mike stated that all past zoning problems started out just like this.

Roger read a letter from Chief Lang. The RFD washing machine is in need of replacement. The washing machine is used almost daily. It is several years old and has been repaired by the fire department several times. Chief Lang requested \$1,500 for a semi-commercial washer. It Roger moved to appropriate \$1,500 for washing machine after the first of the year. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mike brought up for discussion the possibility of increasing rates for the rentals. Roger would like to look at ways to increase revenue through various uses of buildings and permits. Mike feels we need to evaluate who gets the rooms for free. Roger stated that we are forced to deal with the reality of less income which results in increased rates or reduction of services. Mike feels all fulltime employees and officials should pay. Roger suggested sharing costs with groups who use the facilities. Roger commented that we need to look at everything. We cannot continue to carry the full load. Sue feels we have a lot with our SC/CC/TH compared to other townships. Mike feels we need to review the rules.

Public Comment

Mary wished everyone a Happy New Year from the trustees and fiscal officer.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Roger Hovett
Marybeth Rodenbucker