

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

May 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Trustees Robert McCracken, Roger Heineman, Todd Beeson, and Fiscal Officer Tom Knoedler were present.

Approve Minutes:

Minutes of April 10, 2017 Trustee meeting were presented. Motion by McCracken, seconded by Heineman, to approve these minutes as distributed. All voted YES.

Approve Bills:

Motion by McCracken, seconded by Beeson, to approve payment of:

Payroll	\$ 62,405.17
Warrants	\$ 19,978.00
Electronic payments	<u>\$ 79,418.06</u>
Total	\$161,801.23

All voted YES.

The April 2017 bank statements are in balance and were reviewed by the Trustees.

Road Report:

Randy Smith reported there were 1,105 miles put on vehicles in April, 164 gallons of diesel and 50 gallons of gasoline were used, and there were two burials.

Ten tons of gravel was spread at the shooting range, eight tons on cemetery lanes, finished sweeping all intersections, removed the dugouts at the baseball field, spread dirt and planted grass where the dugouts had been. Put drain pipe at Lewis property on Pine Lake Road, cleaned about ¼ mile of ditch on Duck Creek Road at Gidley's woods, and patched holes on Malmsberry Road.

Trustees and Randy discussed salt needs for the 2017-2018 winter. It was decided that Goshen would order 125 tons and Berlin Township would order 75 tons. So moved by McCracken, seconded by Beeson. All voted YES.

Fire Report:

Tom Rhodes reported for Fire Chief Derek Day that in April 2017 there were 9 fire runs and 11 EMS runs - 6 in Goshen and 5 in Butler.

Recycling:

Then annual Scrap/Appliance drive will be held starting this Saturday for one week at the recycling location on Seacrist Road from May 13- May 20.

Police Report:

In April, police handled 389 events and put 6,027 miles on vehicles.

Public Comment:

Resident Abe Bricker discussed the comments made by Tom Rhodes about how the fire department would/would not respond to the Village Network Group Home, noted there are trees down and culverts needing cleaned at the park, Mill Street needing sealed this year, and two large holes at intersections on county roads.

Trustee Beeson:

Todd and Roger picked up cemetery flags for veterans on April 30th.

Trustee Heineman:

Roger has been asked by resident Tom Mather if Paratrooper flags could be placed on grave sites of deceased paratroopers. Trustees discussed how the flags would be mounted to avoid damage while mowing and how many graves would be affected. No final decision was made.

Trustee McCracken:

Regarding the abandoned house at 13810 SR 534, due to very wet conditions this month, no septic system testing was done. Bob will try to get testing completed in the next week or so.

The resolution to prohibit marijuana cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries licensed under chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code within the unincorporated territory of Goshen Township, which was distributed to Trustees at the April meeting, was discussed. Mr. Beeson moved, seconded by Mr. Heineman, to adopt this resolution. All voted YES.

There has been damage to the roof and gutter at the Administration building due to the high winds of the last couple weeks. Two estimates to repair were presented:

Insight Restoration & Management: \$5,610

Allied Commercial Roofing Services \$3,796

Quotes were not exactly the same with Insight replacing all gutter and soffit with Allied replacing only damaged gutter and soffit. Allied will replace all wood nailer. Heineman moved, seconded by Beeson, to have damage repaired by Allied. All voted YES.

The Damascus catch basin replacement on French Street, First Street, and Fifth Street will start May 8th and be completed by May 22nd. The basin replacement on SR 534 (a State project) will be done in June.

Trustees discussed which roads in the township needs chip and sealed this year. After discussion, Trustees agreed to drive the township roads on Monday night (5/15). Specific areas of concern are: Pine Lake between Duck Creek and the township line and Smith-Goshen Road between Garfield and S.R. 62.

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Bob discussed how the township could assist the county with some road projects to get some county roads patched or paved. After discussion, it was decided that the township would provide some ditching work to assist. Bob will discuss with Tony at the county to see if that would be agreeable and how the county will help the township residents. Areas discussed were: Middletown Road, Seacrist at the Girl Scout Camp, Seacrist between Garfield and S.R. 62.

Regarding the light at the Bunker Hill Methodist Church that would light up the cemetery area, Roger will contact a Bob Jarvis and Dale Elder to get a cost of installation and will work with John Biery in choosing an installation site for the new light.

Adjournment:

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, June 12, 2017 at 7:00pm.

With no further business to conduct, McCracken moved, seconded Beeson, to adjourn at 8:37pm. All voted YES.

Robert McCracken, Chairman

Roger Heineman, Vice Chairman

Todd Beeson, Trustee

Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer