

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

July 10, 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 June 12, 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	\$ 48,627.18
Warrants	\$ 7,542.13
Electronic payments	<u>\$ 27,161.49</u>
Total	\$ 83,330.80

All voted YES.

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

The township has received a check for \$3,690 for timber taken from Bricker Park.

Road Report:

Randy Smith reported there were 1,614 miles put on vehicles in June, 304 gallons of diesel and 82 gallons of gasoline were used, and there were no burials.

The workers applied gravel and grit in Damascus alleys and 100 tons of blacktop on the south end of Smith-Goshen Road. The berm on Smith-Goshen was cut back and skim patch applied getting ready for chip and seal next month. One round of mowing was done on all roads before the 4th of July holiday. Skim patching is being done on other roads.

Bird netting for garage ceiling will cost \$130/roll. Trustees told Randy to purchase some and get it installed. Bob will try to borrow a high lift for use in installing netting on the ceiling.

Fire Report:

Tom Rhodes reported for Fire Chief Derek Day that in June there were 15 fire runs and 26 EMS runs - 16 in Goshen and 6 in Butler and 4 others.

Recycling:

The annual Customer Appreciation, Tire and Electronics drive has been changed from September 16th to September 23rd.

Electronics drive from:	9:00am - noon
Tire drive from:	9:00am-3:00pm

Police Report:

In June, police handled 356 events and put 6,421 miles on vehicles.

The Chief noted that Reserve Officer Erinn Vranches has resigned, effective today. McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson, to accept the resignation. All voted YES.

The new radios are installed in the cruisers and are working.

Public Comment:

Resident Abe Bricker stated that he feels the park is a mess after the logging project. Trustees noted that there had been considerable rain during the project which made the area much muddier to work in. Trustees or road crew will look at the area to review the park's condition.

John Biery asked about the cemetery lighting at Bunker Hill Church. Roger had talked with Dale Elder, but still has not received a cost estimate or lighting solution.

Trustee Beeson:

Todd noted that we need to prepare the Canfield Fair display and asked residents for any pictures or articles from the past which could be used in the display.

Todd presented the schedule for updating our census addresses for the township.

Trustee Heineman:

Dead trees at East Goshen cemetery – Roger forgot to contact Rob Spencer. Will do so soon.

Smith-Goshen Road resurfacing quotations – not obtained or presented.

Randy and Matt reviewed the 2-3 culverts on the Shreve property. Todd will measure and order the covers and Randy will get the covers installed before road resurfacing begins.

Trustee McCracken:

The abandoned house at 13810 S.R. 534 has had the septic tank inspected. There is only one leech line into the back yard. Bob will discuss the septic system with the Board of Health at his meeting tomorrow.

Bob talked with County Engineer Pat Ginnetti about the Goshen road crew assisting the county road crew in cutting tree limbs. Currently several county roads have tree limbs hitting trucks and farm equipment cabs and windshields, causing a potential safety hazard. Roger stated his concern with our assistance to them, in that Goshen was not supposed to plow county roads in the winter for safety reasons, so why assist the county with their tree maintenance jobs. Further discussion with the Engineer is needed.

Mill Street in Garfield has been chip and sealed and trustees are pleased with the results.

The site lease agreement with the Green Team is for \$5,250 (\$750 for each bin). McCracken moved, seconded by Heineman, to sign the agreement. All voted YES. Bob will deliver the agreement to the Green Team.

In late June, the Administration building suffered much damage when high winds hit the roof. Part of the roof was rolled back, exposing the WIC room and police wing to heavy rains. Our insurance investigators have been working with Bob to get replacement costs and list all losses. Some computers and phones will be cleaned before it is decided if they are a total loss. If kept, there will be an 18 month guarantee in case they fail after being looked at and cleaned.

At this point, it is probable that the entire roof over the police wing will need removed and replaced, insulation removed and replaced, and light and ceiling tiles replaced. Floor tiles are beginning to come loose as the building dries out. Repairs will likely take six months, with the roof being the immediate replacement.

Prior to the meeting, Trustees reviewed road department employees. They had not received a pay increase in January like the police employees. After review, McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson to increase:

Road Foreman Randy Smith \$.25/hr
Road Worker Matt Springer \$.50/hr All voted YES.

Adjournment:

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, August 14, 2017 at 7:00pm.

With no further business to conduct, McCracken moved, seconded Beeson, to adjourn at 8:15pm. All voted YES.

Robert McCracken, Chairman

Roger Heineman, Vice Chairman

Todd Beeson, Trustee

Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer