

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

Feb. 12, 2018

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

Approve Minutes:

Minutes of 2017 Year-end meeting were presented. Motion by McCracken, seconded by Beeson, to approve these minutes as distributed. All voted YES.

Minutes of the 2018 Reorganizational meeting of Jan. 6, 2018 were presented. Motion by McCracken, seconded by Stratton, to approve these minutes as distributed. All voted YES.

Approve Bills:

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

Payroll	\$ 65,861.11
Warrants	\$ 10,772.44
Electronic payments	<u>\$ 39,419.70</u>
Total	\$ 116,053.25

All voted YES.

The January 2018 bank statement is not yet in balance.

McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson, to authorize the Fiscal Officer to request advances as needed from the Mahoning County Auditor (Resolution 2018-0212a). All voted YES.

Motion by Beeson, seconded by Stratton, to authorize the Chairman to sign for the purchase of automobiles, trucks, and equipment for the township. (Resolution 2018-0213b)

Beeson	YES
Stratton	YES
McCracken	Abstained

Road Report:

Matt Springer reported for Randy that there were 2,814 miles put on vehicles in January, 360 gallons of diesel and 43 gallons of gasoline were used, 59 tons of salt/grit were spread, and there were no burials.

Roads have been plowed or salted a total of 13 days in January, several times doing it 2-3 times in one day.

A new sump pump was installed in the old administration building. The department hauled 100 tons of grit and built a dust filter for the backhoe to keep salt dust out of the motor area.

Fire Report:

Fire Chief Derek Day reported that in January 2018 there were 15 fire runs and 21 EMS runs - 12 in Goshen, 5 in Butler, 4 others.

As appointed from the last meeting, Derek will include in addition to Tom Rhodes and Larry Elavich, Asst. Chief Tom Mather, Captain Shawn Mesler, Lt. Ben Hardy, Lt. Kyle Kyser, President Jared Myers, Vice President George Vernon, Secretary Rylee Hardy. These members can conduct business due to Derek's unique work schedule.

The department has applied for multiple grants and the big grant is the FEMA grant.

Chief Day also wrote:

“Just as an FYI, the fire department due to popular belief cannot light buildings on fire because members of the community think we can. If we would be caught by the EPA, our actions would consist of substantial fines which would be irresponsible of the tax payer money. There is a lot of paperwork to burn a building for fire training and must be burned to the NFPA 1403 Standard. If there is any questions about this please feel free to speak to me at any time.”

Recycling:

The three annual campaigns (tire drive, scrap drive, electronics drive) have been approved by the Green Team. Dates will be set later.

Police Report:

In December 2017, police handled 482 events and drove 6,854 miles.
For calendar year 2017, police handled a total of 4,752 events and drove 76,912 miles.
In January, police handled 429 events and put 7,868 miles on vehicles.

Steve reported there are new owners for the Colonial Motel and he will be asking for a meeting with them in the near future.

Part-time officer Zachary Scott has submitted his resignation, effective immediately. Motion by Beeson, seconded by Stratton, to accept the resignation. All voted YES.

The department will be sending a car to Westerville, OH to the memorial service of the two officers killed in the line of duty this past weekend.

Steve then introduced three candidates for part-time officers. They are Vincent DeRose, Amir Khan, and Frank Califano, Jr. Per the chief's recommendation, Beeson moved, seconded by Stratton, to hire these three as part-time officers. All voted YES.

Public Comment:

Abe Bricker reported the need for dirt around the park lake to fill muskrat holes. Tom Rhodes had some comments on the Fire Department and FD President Jared Myers updated Trustees on what has been happening in the department (training, leaderships, etc.) and announced that on April 7th there will be a fund-raiser at the Boneshakers restaurant in Salem.

Trustee Beeson:

Todd thanked Randy and Matt for their efforts in keeping the roads cleared during recent snow storms.

Surplus equipment has been inventoried. Beeson moved, seconded by Stratton, to donate any equipment that the fire department wants and can use to the fire department. All voted YES. Anything left of little value will be scrapped.

Todd will look into a grant for Bricker Park to do some work around the lake.

Trustee Stratton:

Teresa also thanked Randy and Matt for road cleaning during recent storms.

She also thanked the fire department for a quick response to her home during a recent medical incident.

In discussion with the road department, they have asked for and priced a steam cleaner to keep remove grease and road salt from their equipment. Matt has found one at Northern Tool & Equipment for \$2249.99 with a three-year warranty. After discussion, McCracken moved, seconded by Stratton, to purchase from Northern unless one can be purchased through state contract at a lower price. Matt will finalize later this week.

Trustee McCracken:

Bob reported that all three Trustees had attended the annual County Engineer's meeting this morning. Pat Ginnetti reported that two county roads in the township will be partially paved this year.

Bob and Tom attended the annual Ohio Township Association meeting in Columbus at the end of January. There were many educational classes and a large trade show, plus lots of networking with other Trustee and Fiscal Officers.

Bob moved, seconded by Beeson, to renew a three-year police contract with the Village of Beloit from May 1, 2018 thru April 30, 2021. All language and pricing will remain the same as in the past. All voted YES. (Resolution 2018-0212c)

Trustees discussed chip sealing Goshen's portion of Pine Lake Road to Goshen Road. Goshen would pay for one-half, Perry Township would pay for one-half. Work would be done by Columbiana County Engineer Bert Dawson's crew next summer. Approximate cost is \$14,000. McCracken moved, seconded by Stratton, to proceed with this chip seal project. All voted YES.

Bob will also see if Columbiana and Perry would be interested in chip sealing Pine Lake from Goshen Road to State Route 45.

Bob reported on building damage repairs. He has yet to hear from Howells & Baird on the roof replacement. He had two quotes for interior work.

John Herbert (JHC) quoted \$68,846. Branch Home Improvement quoted \$44,350.

Both quotes included flooring and ceiling tile replacement.

Branch also included toilet replacement and bathroom floors in the police restrooms.

McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson, to hire Branch Home Improvement. All voted YES.

At 8:12pm McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson, to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. All voted YES.

At 8:53pm McCracken moved, seconded by Stratton, to reopen the meeting after going into Executive Session. All voted YES.

Bob has received a resignation from our part-time Desk Officer effective 02/16/2018.

McCracken moved, seconded by Beeson, to accept this resignation. All voted YES.

McCracken then moved, seconded by Beeson, to accept the police chief's recommendation to rehire Katie Glasser as full-time Desk Officer and to keep Mary Hrovatic as part-time Desk Officer and keep the office open on Saturdays to assist the public so that calls will be answered and cars can be released. All voted YES.

Plowing of the police parking lot was discussed. The road department will in the future make a couple passes through the police parking lot to be sure that the police cars can get in and out, then plow township roads.

Adjournment:

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 7:00pm.

With no further business to conduct, McCracken moved, seconded Beeson, to adjourn at 9:00pm. All voted YES.

Robert McCracken, Chairman

Teresa Stratton, Vice Chairman

Todd Beeson, Trustee

Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer