

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

April 8, 2019

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

Approve Minutes:

Motion by McCracken, seconded by Stratton, to approve the minutes of March 11th as distributed. All voted YES.

Approve Bills:

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

Payroll	\$ 64,373.64
Warrants	\$ 14,103.30
Electronic payments	<u>\$ 61,884.11</u>
Total	\$ 140,361.05

All voted YES.

The March 2019 bank statement is in balance and was reviewed by Trustees.

The March credit card statement was reviewed by the Trustee McCracken.

Road Report:

Matt Springer reported that there were 2508 miles put on vehicles in March, 455 gallons of diesel and 47 gallons of gasoline were used, 14 tons of salt/grit were spread, and there was one burial. Trucks hauled 70 tons of limestone and 80 tons of grindings, 1 ton of cold patch HPM was applied to roads.

There were two weather events of plowing and salting. The department hauled 350 tons of grindings from ODOT, cleaned cemetery drives by taking out the grass center and topping the driveways with stone, widened the shooting range road and topped it with stone, repaired a washout on North Seacrist. The 2001 IH dump truck and the 2008 Dodge had some repairs made, insulation is complete on the new garage. workers are starting on installing a new workbench and covering some walls for tool storage.

Matt thanked Paul Manypenny for doing a great job on the spring cleanup in the cemeteries.

Matt would like to do some crack sealing before the roads warm up and has secured a good price on the material. This pricing is good for the rest of the summer/fall season. After discussion, Spencer moved, seconded by Stratton, to purchase one pallet of the crack seal material, with the option to purchase another pallet if needed. All voted YES.

Matt noted that two headstone footers will be installed in April or early May, depending on weather. This will be our first footers installed by the outside firm and Matt will oversee the project.

Fire Report:

Chief Day reported that in March 2019 there were 16 fire runs and 21 EMS runs - 11 in Goshen, 8 in Butler, 2 others. There were 2 inspections – Group Home & PreSchool. The Chief also submitted the March Fire & EMS call log.

He asked that ODOT be notified of a significant hole in the road on S.R. 14 near the railroad bridge. Matt will contact ODOT.

Recycling:

Paul would like the florescent lights in the recycling office to be replaced by two LED lights. One florescent is currently not working and needs fixed anyway. Stratton moved, seconded by McCracken to replace the lights when the electrician finishes the outside lighting. All voted YES.

Trustees also discussed putting a door opener on the east truck bay. If Biery Garage Door can install the opener for the same price as the other three doors, then Matt should proceed getting the opener added.

Police Report:

In March 2019 there were 7,640 miles put on vehicles and handled 659 events.

Steve thanked the Fire Department for their help on the recent fire at the Stagecoach Inn.

McCracken moved, seconded by Stratton, to accept the resignation of Jacob Hayter, hired last month, but never worked. All voted YES.

McCracken moved, seconded by Spencer, to accept the resignation of full-time Sgt. Troy Mackall, effective April 20th. Troy has been hired by Boardman P.D., but will remain part-time at Goshen. All voted YES.

Steve has interviewed two candidates to fill the Sergeant position – Officers Redfern and Weingart. Steve is recommending promoting Christopher Weingart from part-time to full-time, effective Apr. 14th. Chris has been with Goshen PD since October 2015 and is currently a Sergeant at New Waterford PD. All voted YES.

Public Comment:

Abe Bricker thanked Matt & Randy for installing gravel on the walking paths at Bricker Park.

Tom Rhodes began to discuss the closing of recycling site, but was interrupted by McCracken reporting that since the last meeting, Bob has been informed that there will be no changes for the next three years – per Green Team communication. Tom also thanked area residents and businesses for their support of the Fire Dept. fund raiser held this month. The fund raiser was well attended and was very successful.

Trustee Spencer:

Rob noted that the OHIO legislature has passed House Bill 62, add \$.105/gal for gasoline and \$.19/gal for diesel. This will be a projected increase of \$56,729 for Goshen Twp. in fiscal year 2020 (July 2019-June 2020).

Rob will also be picking up American Flags for the cemeteries later this month.

Trustee Stratton:

Teresa said there is a neighbor to Bricker Park that wants to cut up downed trees in the park but would like the firewood that is cut. No standing trees will be cut down. The neighbor has already cleaned up a tree that fell on the roadway earlier this spring. Trustees gave him the OK to cut and clean up trails.

Teresa has again been in contact with the Land Bank regarding the Garfield house and the closed Petrucci's Restaurant. The Land Bank is currently seeking additional fundings.

Trustee McCracken:

Goshen wants to order 150 tons of salt for 2019-2020 and Berlin wants to order 75 tons. Teresa will place the order with ODOT for 225 tons – price to be determined after bidding.

The NOPEC grant of \$250 will be used for an Annual Community Day event here at the Administration Building on Sept. 7th (tentative date).

The wording for medical insurance opt-out needs changed to \$200.00/month. The Fiscal Officer will make those changes to the handbook.

Bob noted that the Mahoning County Commissioners at their March 14th meeting approved NOPEC for the county electric aggregation.

The Board of Health has sent a certified court order to have the Hiram Diaz property cleaned up in 30 days or the county will do the cleanup and the property will be billed.

Trustees signed agreements for two Green Team collection events:

Electronics collection	\$2,486.00
Tire collection	\$1,500.00

Mahoning Soil & Water has approved KDC properties (formerly Remember When) for a septic system expansion.

The Mahoning County Board of Health has changed their name to Mahoning County Public Health. Their annual report is available.

Adjournment:

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:00pm.

With no further business to conduct, McCracken moved, seconded by Stratton, to adjourn at 8:10pm. All voted YES.

Robert McCracken, Chairman

Teresa Stratton, Vice Chairman

Robert Spencer, Trustee

Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer