

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

April 12, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Trustees Teresa Stratton, John Bricker, Shawn Mesler, and Fiscal Officer Tom Knoedler were present.

Goshen-Beloit Police Contract:

The three-year renewal of the police contract with the Village of Beloit was presented. The term will be May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2024. Beloit agrees to pay equal monthly installments (\$3750), payable by the 10th day of each month.

Motion by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to accept this 3 year contract. All voted. YES. (Resolution 2021-0412a).

Bids for Smith-Goshen Road project:

Motion by Mesler, seconded by Bricker, to accept the Barbicas Construction Co. Inc. bid, per the recommendation of Mahoning County Engineer Robert Durbin. All voted YES. (Resolution 2021-0412b) Bob was thanked for his help in securing bids and helping choose this contractor.

Payment of Bills:

Motion by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2021 regular meeting as previously distributed. All voted YES.

The new HP computer installed by the Fiscal Officer this month has crashed and the computer will not be available until at least tomorrow. Payroll also was not done today and bills paid since the last meeting are unavailable.

The March bank statement is in balance.

The March credit card statements were reviewed by Trustee Stratton.

Tom met with Jim Willock last week to go over the requirements for record retention. Jim also provided sample documents for conducting semi-annual Record Commission meetings.

Road Report:

Matt Springer reported that there were 1074 miles put on vehicles in March, 173 gallons of diesel and 60 gallons of gasoline were used, and there were no burials.

There was one weather event (wind). They hauled 80 tons of asphalt and four tons of cold patch.

Fire Report:

Chief Derek Day reported that in March there were 16 fire runs and 61 EMS runs – 51 in Goshen and 10 in Butler. There were no inspections.

Recycling:

Paul turned in \$70.00 from the sale of aluminum can. The annual scrap/appliance/metal drive will take place from May 8 thru May 15 during daylight hours at the Township Garage parking lot.

There will be a hazmat drive at the Canfield fairgrounds on May 8th from 9:00-3:00.

Police Report:

In March 2021 there were 8,433 miles put on vehicles and police handled 661 events.

Steve asked Trustees to accept the resignations of part-time employees:

- Chris Weingart
- Troy Mackall
- Nicholas Brent

So moved by Mesler, seconded by Stratton. All voted YES.

A mutual aid police contract with Columbiana County was offered for approval. Moved by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to accept this contract. All voted YES.

Public Comment:

Resident Bob McCracken thanked trustees for working through the completion of demolition of the house in Garfield and asked about the status/ownership of the old Petrucci's restaurant on State Route 14. He also asked about the used truck purchased in December.

Trustee Mesler:

The contract on the cell tower at the township garage was discussed. Tom is awaiting a copy of the lease contract from CCATT Holdings LLC. Everest Wireless is interested in offering us something once we review our tower lease.

The vacation of two alleys was discussed:

- Larry/Tom Wallace alley near the railroad tracks in Garfield.
- Larry Griffith alley on French Street near 5th street.

Decisions are pending while the county prosecutor's office reviews the details.

Trustee Bricker:

Goshen has received a check for \$20,325 from Hochstetler Bros. Hardwood LLC for the timber that was sold at the last meeting.

Shawn has been attending the Mahoning County meetings regarding the .25% sales tax that the townships want to have the commissioners put on the ballot this fall.

Monies from the sales tax could be split one of two ways:

- based on township road miles or
- a \$50,000 flat rate + an amount based on mileage

Goshen trustees voted to choose the flat rate method, when they are asked at the next county meeting.

John will be meeting with a contractor this week about the gym roof leak and will also discuss replacing wet insulation in the gym ceiling.

Stratton:

Nothing other than what has already been discussed.

Adjournment:

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 7:00pm.

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

Teresa Stratton, Chairman

John Bricker, Vice Chairman

Shawn Mesler, Trustee

Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer