# Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees June 14, 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.

## **Bids Opening:**

Dave Bakalar attended for the opening of bids for the West Calla Road Improvement project. One bid was received from Specialized Construction Inc. for \$99,036. Dave took the bid to be reviewed by his firm, then by the prosecutor's office. We thanked Dave for this attendance and his work on assembling the bid specs.

# **Approve Minutes:**

Motion by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to approve the minutes of May 10<sup>th</sup> as distributed. All voted YES.

# Payment of Bills:

Motion by Stratton, seconded by Bricker, to approve payment of:

| Payroll             | \$<br>77,795.12 |               |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Warrants            | \$<br>1,009.50  |               |
| Electronic payments | \$<br>18,635.41 |               |
| Total               | \$<br>97,440.03 | All voted YES |

The May bank statement is in balance.

The May credit card statements were reviewed by Trustee Stratton.

Trustees signed the Certificate of Ownership for East Goshen New Lot 24 SW3 & SW4.

## **Road Report:**

Matt Springer reported that 967 miles were put on vehicles in May, 78 gallons of diesel and 73 gallons of gasoline were used, and there were two burials.

They hauled 16 tons of limestone, two tons of cold patch, poured one head stone foundation, spread 6 tons of black mulch, and installed 1 culvert.

Two bids for the surplus equipment were received:

- 1 for \$ 50 for the Stihl pole saw
- 1 for \$175 for all items listed

None of the equipment is in working order.

Mesler moved, seconded by Bricker, to accepted the high bid, sold as is. All voted YES. Matt will notify Carl Bartholow.

## **Fire Report:**

Chief Derek Day reported that in May there were 22 fire runs and 52 EMS runs – 41 in Goshen and 11 in Butler. There were no inspections.

The "Night at the Races" fund raiser is tentatively scheduled for October 9th.

## **Recycling:**

The annual scrap/appliance/metal drive netted 24,500 lbs and Goshen received \$2,460.00 for scrap sold.

The annual Tire/Electronics drive and Customer Appreciation Day will be Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at the Seacrist Road garage.

The next HazMat collection at the Fair Grounds will be October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### Police Report:

In May 2021 the Police District:

in Goshen, handled 351 events and put 7,740 miles on vehicles

in Green, handled 497 events and put 8,143 miles on vehicles

in Beloit, handled 168 events

There will be a day of recognition for retiring Police Chief Steve McDaniel on Monday, June 21 from noon until 6:00pm open to the public. Moved by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to hold the event. All voted YES.

The new cruiser is on order but will probably be delayed due to the microchip shortage.

John Calko will review the current mutual aid contracts and have any out-of-date contracts renewed.

John discussed improvements to the shooting range that are planned for Year 2022 and asked that grass be mowed a couple times a month.

Per John's request, Mesler moved, seconded by Stratton, to hire Hoyle West, Jr., effective 06/14/2021 as a part-time officer @ \$14.25/hr. All voted YES.

## **Public Comment:**

None

# **Trustee Mesler:**

The sub-lease agreement with the Fire Department for recycling storage bins on FD property has been signed by the FD Trustees and received back to the Fiscal Officer.

Mr. Bricker moved, seconded by Mr. Mesler, to vacate the alley on the Larry Wallace property, Knows as "11 foot alley that runs under the garage". All voted YES. Resolution 2021-0614.

Mr. Mesler reported the MCTA formally requested to the county commissioners that the Commissioners approve the proposed one quarter percent sales tax for road improvements. The commissioners will put the proposal on the fall ballot for county residents to vote on.

## **Trustee Bricker:**

The company logging behind the shooting range is offering \$4900 for additional lumber from 27 trees found on the property. Motion by Mesler, seconded by Bricker, to accept this money. All voted YES.

John has been unable to find a contractor that shows up to look at the roof leak. John is looking for another contractor to do the work.

# **Stratton:**

Teresa needs to file a project and project date for the NOPEC Community Grant before June 30<sup>th</sup>. It was decided to hold a Safety Day, introducing the community to Safety Forces. Police and Fire Departments will be here. The event is planned for October 2021. (Resolution 2014-0614b)

# Adjournment:

Due to a trustee being on vacation, the next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 18, 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