

July 2nd, 2018 Township Trustees Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 o'clock P.M. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given. Trustees Bright, Wetzel, and Frost, Fiscal Officer Jesenko, and Zoning Inspector Witney were all present. The June Minutes were not available due to a technical problem and will be submitted to the Board in August. Next, the bids received for the road projects were opened, with Shelly Company offering the lowest and winning bids, contingent on the documentation accompanying the bid being complete and correct. The Trustees wished to review the Ohio Public Works contract before sending it in to OPWC and asking for a Right to Proceed. Accordingly, the Trustees moved and passed that a Special Meeting be set for noontime on Friday, July 6th, to sign and submit the OPWC contract.

Fire report- Monroe Fire Department reported that they received a significantly improved rating due to the Beech Road facility cutting response times. This improved rating will allow insurers to lower property insurance premiums for home-owning residents. West Licking Fire District amended the fee schedule so as to match neighboring fire departments. Thirty-two bullet proof vests and three new radios plus a new server were ordered by the District, and a replacement levy will be on the ballot in the District this Autumn. Retired Trustee Myers suggested that the levy be specifically worded as a capital improvement levy so that the new monies generated be used for equipment only.

Zoning Inspector Report- lot split on Jug Street, sign variance for corner of Harrison and Cobbs and for Ford Dealership, room addition on Clover Valley, and a zoning change request for Jersey Mill Road.

Next, New Albany City Manager Joe Stefanof asked the Board to accept an Annexation Agreement for several properties that may ask for annexation to New Albany. The annexation agreement simply sets a format that outlines the terms under which an annexation can occur in the future. Extensive discussion followed regarding terms of annexation, tax abatements and tax increment finance agreements, and zoning regulation. Further, a discrepancy was discovered in the description of Annexation Area Three. Ultimately, the Board moved and passed

that Annexation Areas One and Two be included in the Annexation Agreement, but Annexation Area Three was put on hold until the discrepancies discovered were corrected.

Communications, letters, telephone calls- the credit cards for the Road Crew members finally arrived. A survey crew was verifying property lines but could not disclose who contracted for the work. Several properties had drainage issues by the road ditch and some of Hendren's cows got loose. Dave Hendren said he would clear away some vegetation blocking line of sight on his property once the soil dried out in the work area. A seminar this Autumn on Saturday, October 22nd, is being offered regarding township law, ethics, zoning, health insurance, sunshine law, etc. Several Township officials are hoping to attend.

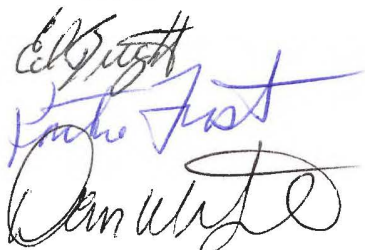
Old Business- none

Unfinished Business- none

New Business- the Township has to update the Records Retention Policy including submitting a Record's Retention Policy with the Ohio Historical Society. It is thought that best practices would be that original records should be kept at the Township Office rather than at personal homes, which would require an expansion of the office. The Township has a Records Retention Policy but it is not recorded at the Ohio Historical Society. A solicitation for an Administrative Assistant to the Fiscal Officer was edited and will be posted shortly. A contract with Local Government Services regarding helping to get the Township books into auditable condition was read aloud and was moved on, passed, and signed. The Trustees moved and passed a motion to accept the Ohio Plan Insurance Policy for the Township.

Public Comment- a resident applauded the appointment of Kathie Frost to fill the Trustee vacancy on the Board. The payroll checks and bills were signed and the meeting was adjourned.

Trustees:



Fiscal Officer:

