

October 9, 2017

Regular Meeting was called to order by Scott Markley with Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Fiscal Officer Cheryl Welch, Trustees Scott Markley, Kay Wright, Jim Power
Road Crew Herb Wiles

Guests: Lori Hartsel, Barb Siler

Minutes of 9/11/17 meeting read in silence by Jim Power; Kay motioned to accept, Jim 2nd.
Minutes of the 9/25/17 meeting were read aloud; Kay made motion to accept, Scott 2nd.

ROAD REPORT

- Put in dry culverts on Twp Rd 251^{TWP Rd} and 53.
- Typical seasonal road work underway: Berm, Tree Trim, Ditching.
- Resident Mr. Koberstein has concern with the berm work that has taken place in front of his home.
- Resident Jaub Pino at 733 Twp Rd 101 has concern with ditching and water runoff by his property.
- Discussion took place regarding money available for patching that needs to be done on Twp Rd 900 and 902 and the purchase of cinders. Kay made motion to spend \$4000: about 75% patch and 25% cinders; Jim 2nd; Scott in agreement.
- Discussion took place regarding the use and upkeep of the tractor and mower. It was agreed that the tractor/mower: (1) poses a safety hazard, (2) has undergone several repairs and (3) is not adequate for road side mowing. Jim made motion to sell the tractor and mower and look to purchase used equipment appropriate for mowing our township roads in the spring; Kay 2nd, Scott in agreement. Anticipate spending \$30,000. Cheryl will put together a plan as to how a financial transaction like this could take place.
- Discussion took place on tentative 810 road repair plan for 2018. Trustees are still contemplating how project will come together.

ZONING REPORT from Interim Zoning Inspector Herb Wiles

PROPERTY VISITS:

- Aaron Shrock with bee business has started moving forward with compliance. Paid \$500 fee.
- Peter Gingrich who owes for his sawmill conditional use permit has not yet connected with Herb.
- Denny building permit is now on display at their construction site.
- Marcums – no further progress with property cleanup.
- Mahlon Lehman on 812 CR 175 has no building permit and he has begun construction: Herb is pursuing.
- William on 53 and 604 is building a barn.
- Ennis Hershberger on Twp Rd 133 and Toby Hershberger on 302 and Ab Schlabaugh on 101 were given 2nd verbal notification with reference to the exact law (ORC 5589.33) that posting signs on utility poles is prohibited. Herb will remove signs if residents fail to comply.

FIRE DEPARTMENT Trustee Scott Markley Nothing to report.

CEMETERY Trustee Kay Wright

- Jim made motion to discontinue mowing until Spring; Kay 2nd, Scott in agreement. Cheryl will contact Carl Richert to advise.
- Rosane Hines had a concern that there is too much water laying on her sister's grave.
- Kay will develop new contract for the Turks and Township regarding mowing and have for the next meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- UAN fund accounts are not balanced; record keeping is being done in Excel in parallel to UAN.
- Cheryl is writing an abandoned gas station cleanup grant with BJAAM environmental engineering firm who will be doing the cleanup – this property is the former Maynard and Son’s Station located at St. Rt. 89 and 42. The cost to the township will be nothing. Purpose: Is to prepare the property for possible economic development. Jim made motion to sign contract with BJAMM as presented, Kay 2nd; Scott in agreement. Completion of an Ohio Voluntary Action Program Phase 1 Property assessment will be done as part of the grant application process. This phase will take place as soon as legal access to the property is secured. [Grant is coming from the Ohio Development Services Agency and is called the Abandoned Gas Station Clean up Grant].
- Receipts totaled \$0; Expenses totaled \$46,168.09; Fund balances totaled \$82,230.86.
- Kay made motion to accept the financial reports as submitted and discussed; Jim 2nd; Scott in agreement.

PARK

- Jim will spray for weeds.

Guest Barb Siler stopped by to see what township business was all about, asked:

- Where township mail is sent – response: to fiscal officer’s home. This is an approved practice.
- Wondered why UAN is not current – response: current FO is working to correct automated records that have been problematic for the past several years.
- Will need a financial audit be conducted prior to her being able to assume the position of FO should she be elected.

Guest Lori Hartsel

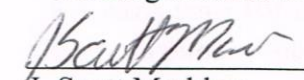
- Turned in keys and Verizon Jetpack.
- Asked why the township would want to get involved with an environmental property cleanup – response: promote possible future economic growth.

Kay made motion to go into executive session; Jim 2nd; Scott in agreement.

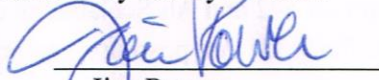
Kay made motion to come out of executive session; Jim 2nd, Scott in agreement.

Kay made motion to adjourn; Jim 2nd, Scott in agreement.

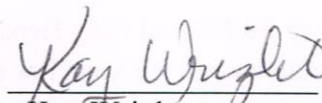
Meeting minutes submitted by Cheryl Welch



J. Scott Markley



Jim Power



Kay Wright