

MINUTES OF THE ROOTSTOWN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

June 12, 2012

The regular meeting of the Rootstown Township Trustees opened at 5:30 p.m. on June 12, 2012. Those in attendance were Trustees Diane Dillon, Brett Housley and Joe Paulus, JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer, Chief Charles Palmer, Jim Mahood, Van Black, and Julie Gonzales.

Resolution No. 2012-090 – Motion was made by Brett Housley and seconded by Joe Paulus to accept the minutes of May 22, 2012. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Diane Dillon, abstained, Brett Housley, yea, Joe Paulus, yea.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Joe reported the following:

The Board agreed based on the recommendation from Bill Hahn, Road Supervisor to modify the roads to be paved for the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) District Seven Infrastructure Bond Program to Greenwood Drive and Homestead Road instead of Bower Road due to the fact that it is not up to code on the width.

The culvert pipe replacement on Hattrick Road will begin Monday, June 18th. Hattrick Road will be closed on Monday, June 18th and 19th. The Board asked Jim to put something on the sign at the Town Hall regarding the road being closed. Julie will make arrangements to have a notice on the Township web site. Chief Palmer suggested notifying resident via the phone messaging system.

Joe spoke to the County Engineer and they will be patching a portion of Tallmadge Road. They are working with Chesapeake regarding the fracking that may begin on New Milford Road.

The crew is in the process of roadside mowing.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT

There were seven (7) acts of business.

- ✓ 2 – Commercial
- ✓ 1 – Fence
- ✓ 1 – Addition to home
- ✓ 1 – Deck
- ✓ 1 – Swimming pool
- ✓ 1 – wind generator

Jim sent five (5) violation letters.

Jim spoke to NEOMED regarding the proper permits for constructing a housing facility. Jim informed them that the property is zoning commercial and no apartments are allowed. The initial owner and operator of this project would be the Portage County Improvement Corp., an Ohio nonprofit corporation of the Portage County Port Authority. Jim said if these apartments are constructed it would be approximately \$21,000.00 in permits fees. Jim will keep the Board informed.

Jim spoke to Michael Dinsmore from Ohio Department of Natural Resources regarding the Asher Well behind the church and Dillon Plaza. He is the Field Inspector and this well is in compliance.

The junk cars on Biltz Road have been removed.

Jim had the Town Hall exterminated because of mice.

Brett asked Jim to notify the real estate agent for Delphi regarding the tall grass.

Jim reported there is no update on the abandoned house at the corner of Rootstown and Lynn Roads.

The Board suggested Jim attend one Trustee meeting per month instead of 2 unless it is needed. Jim said he has had a couple of residents come in on the late evening he worked and has had several phone calls.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Palmer indicated a total of 25 turnout gear units have been repaired. The total cost was \$1,392.80. He would like to purchase an additional 3 sets in the near future.

JoAnn received information from the BMV regarding plates for the new fire truck and the State does not require plates for emergency vehicles.

Chief Palmer suggested sending the freightliner squad back to wheel coach (Pfund Superior Ambulance Sales) to have the electrical system repaired. He sent it to several local shops with no success. The Board agreed to send it to Pfund Superior Ambulance Sales.

On Thursday, Pfund Superior Ambulance Sales will be dropping off a demo ambulance for them to look at. The Trustees are welcome to stop by.

Chief Palmer spoke to Bill Madlem, Rootstown Water Company regarding the water invoices for filling up the fire trucks. Mr. Madlem was present and offered the Township to

pay the minimum cost effective June 25, 2012. Mr. Madlem will confirm it with the Water Board. The Trustees agreed.

RESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Bill Madlem is working with Chesapeake regarding the fracking on Rootstown Road. Instead of approximately 289 water trucks using Lynn Road; they are hooking up to a hydrant and running a hose to the site.

Mr. Madlem is aware of the road damage on August Avenue from the trucks; he is in contact with Bill Hahn. He suggested to the Board that once the season is over the Rootstown Water Company would reimburse the Township for the road damage to August Drive. The Trustees agreed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Diane is still working with Michele regarding revamping the Township web site. Diane asked Jim to have Bill take pictures of the road crew.

JoAnn received an e-mail from Sean Sprouse from Burnham & Flowers regarding updating employee information on FormFire for health benefits. JoAnn will e-mail Sean to schedule a meeting and to provide quotes.

Resolution No. 2012-091 – Motion was made by Brett Housley and seconded by Joe Paulus to purchase a rake to remove algae from the pond at the park at a cost not to exceed \$119.99/plus shipping from thePONDguy. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Diane Dillon, yea, Brett Housley, yea, Joe Paulus, yea.

Diane has requested a quote from Ray Martinez, Ohio Edison for electric at the park.

Diane suggested building a garage at the park to store the mowers, rakes, etc. Several years ago Jim and the former Road Supervisor went to Chardon to view restrooms/storage facility. Jim said it was very nice. The Board may want to consider this unit for the park.

Diane said the trails at the park look nice and it seems like a lot of people are enjoying them. Jim said the pavilions are booked on all the weekends through August.

The Board received the following invitation dated June 1, 2012 from David Van Allen, United States Postal Service:

This letter is to invite you to attend a special dedication ceremony at 10:00 am – 11:00 am on Monday, June 18, 2012, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4865 Tallmadge Road, Rootstown, Ohio, as the "Marine Sgt. Jeremy E. Murray Post Office Building." The ceremony will be held in the sanctuary of Grace Church of

Rootstown, located at 4808 Tallmadge Road. United States Senator Sherrod Brown and United States Congressman Tim Ryan will speak during the event.

Sponsored by Senator Sherrod Brown and Congressman Tim Ryan, and cosponsored by Senator Rob Portman and 16 House Representatives, legislation formalizing the designation was signed into law by President Barack Obama on June 29, 2011.

Jeremy E. Murray joined the Marine Corps in 1996 after graduating from Waterloo High School in Atwater Township. He was tragically killed by a roadside bomb on November 16, 2005 while serving his third tour of duty in Iraq.

FISCAL OFFICER

Resolution No. 2012-092 - Motion by Joe Paulus and seconded by Brett Housley to pay bills on file with the Fiscal Officer. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Diane Dillon, yea, Brett Housley, yea, Joe Paulus, yea.

JoAnn presented the June 7, 2012 Notice from Ohio Division of Liquor Control of a request for a new liquor license for the Jonans LLC dba Mi Rancho Mexican Restaurant, 4914 S. Prospect Street, Ravenna, OH, Rootstown Township. The Rootstown Township Trustees have no objections and are not requesting a hearing. Board authorized JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer to sign and return the notice.

Resolution No. 2012-093 – Motion was made Brett Housley and seconded by Diane Dillon to authorize Rootstown Township to participate in the State of Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Diane Dillon, yea, Brett Housley, yea, Joe Paulus, yea.

The Trustees completed a ballot from the OPWC District 7 Integrating Committee as presented by JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer.

Resolution No. 2012-094 – Motion was made by Diane Dillon and seconded by Joe Paulus for the Rootstown Township Trustees to move into executive session at 6:45 PM to discuss personnel and property issues. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Diane Dillon, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Brett Housley, yea.

Resolution No. 2012-095 - Upon conclusion of the above referenced discussion a motion was made by Brett Housley and seconded by Joe Paulus that the Rootstown Township Trustees move out of executive session at 7:30 PM. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Diane Dillon, yea, Joe Paulus, yea, Brett Housley, yea.

After exiting Executive Session, the Trustees adopted the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2012-096 – Motion was made by Joe Paulus and seconded by Brett Housley to declare Parcel No. 32-004-00-00-010-057 consisting of 6.949 acres located on Sapphire Lane (Stone Ridge Subdivision/formerly known as the Wischt property)

unused/excess property owned by the Rootstown Township Board of Trustees. The Township Trustees set a minimum bid of \$10,000.00. The Wischt Development reserves all mineral rights and royalties, including but not limited to those for oil and gas. Upon roll call the vote as follows: Diane Dillon, yea, Brett Housley, yea, Joe Paulus, yea.

Resolution No. 2012-097 - Motion by Diane Dillon to adjourn at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Dillon, Chairperson

JoAnn Townend, Fiscal Officer