BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING
BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP HOUSE
TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2019 – 5:30 P.M.
RESCHEDULED TO SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2019 AT 11:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. with Chairman W. Robert Kusmer leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present was Trustee Richard A. Geyer.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, that the minutes of the June 18, 2019 meeting be approved as written. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer - Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes; the motion carried.

Ellen Ickes, Fiscal Officer, provided printed financial reports to the trustees: Appropriation Status, Payment Listing, Receipt Listing, Fund Status, Cash Summary by Fund, Resources Available for Appropriation, and Comparison of Budget and Appropriated. A verbal financial report was given as follows for today's meeting:

Total bills: .....$ 43,573.16

Total receipts: .....$ 15,219.08

Cash total in all funds: .....$ 1,200,179.18

It was moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, that the financial report be approved and the bills be paid. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Kusmer –Yes; the motion carried. The check to Erie Blacktop #29170 was not signed because the trustees need to review the work done on Buchman Road, and it will be signed at the July 16 meeting if the work was completed satisfactorily.

The trustees reviewed account activity for the Staples credit cards for the last billing period, and Chairman Kusmer signed the credit card attestation(s). Payment by check is included in the above referenced bills.

PUBLIC COMMENT
A sign-in sheet was passed around and all present were requested to sign in (attached).

Chairman Kusmer advised that Trustee Dave Stotz recently passed away. He will be missed from this board. This trustee position is open and will need to be filled by an appointment within the next 30 days. Mr. Kusmer advised that perhaps some of the individuals who attend meetings regularly might be interested. The appointed person will serve until the results of the November 5, 2019 election are certified. The successfully elected person on November 5, 2019 will complete the unexpired term of Mr. Stotz through the end of the term on December 31, 2021.

Superintendent Bill Lagrou just left for vacation and is excused from today's meeting.

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT - Jack Ferguson
No report.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT
Mr. Bain was not present. No report.

Mr. Klausz advised that the property across the street was transferred, and it is the same owner as he gave Mr. Bain previously. Mr. Klausz advised that a neighbor comes down to mow it.

PARKS BOARD REPORT
No report.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Superintendent Bill Lagrou
Three bids were received for repair work as previously discussed at the property of Kim Wright on Timpe Road. Zimmerman Building Company is the low bid at $11,448. Other bids were from Willis & Sons - $12,256.60, and from S&S - $13,970. Trustee Kusmer recommended going with the low bid from Zimmerman. Mr. Kusmer made a motion, with a second by Mr. Geyer, to have Zimmerman perform the drainage work at Ms. Wright's property. Upon a vote – Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes; the motion carried.

Mr. Kusmer will look into getting an easement for the work on Timpe Rd. Ms. Wright requested, and received, a copy of the estimate to show to an attorney she will be meeting with soon. Ms. Wright believes the fields behind Timpe Rd. are owned by Abdoo, and they seem to be draining from a 24" pipe into their neighborhood pipe of 8". Doug Crowell advised that Abdoo has the same right that she does to use the drain. It was discussed that Ohio drainage law uses the lay of the land with regard to watershed flows. Chairman Kusmer explained that the law changed years ago regarding drainage, with a big change in 1958. It was also discussed that County Ditch Maintenance no longer exists and the County Engineer's office has been overseeing all ditches in the past year or so.

Buchman Road has been repaved. An invoice was received and the check prepared for today's meeting will be signed at the next meeting if the work by Erie Blacktop is found to be satisfactory.

OLD BUSINESS
Phil Klausz asked about the Health Department assessment. Mr. Kusmer has to get with three townships yet for signatures on the letter to the County Commissioners fighting the assessment. Heidi Fought from the Ohio Township Association will be at the July 18 Sandusky County Township Association meeting. Discussion took place. Mr. Geyer said Board of Health approved the $13,000 assessment for next year.

Chairman Kusmer has talked to two of the county commissioners and still wants to talk to the third county commissioner. He would like a formal meeting with them and would like the other township trustees and fiscal officers to be there.

Townships take care of more roads than the county. The Health Department assessments are based on population. The City of Fremont does not seem to have a problem with the Health Department's increased assessment. It was discussed that Bob Gross, an assistant to the Mayor, also serves on the Health Department Board.

Trustee Geyer said he objected to the $13,000.00 assessment at the May meeting where the Health Department discussed it, and he told them the township could not even afford the $13,000. The other townships perhaps did not understand, and probably why they did not object at the meeting.

Mr. Kusmer stated that there was no reason Ballville residents should have to pay for everybody else's problems. Discussion took place, and the township is fighting the assessment. It was agreed that the public needs to be informed of the effect of the Health Department assessments.

Chairman Kusmer also advised that the township is fighting the cemetery law really hard to get it changed. State Representative Bill Reineke has contacted the OTA and talked to Heidi Fought. There are other townships facing potential cemetery acquisition.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kusmer advised that with the recent passing of Trustee Dave Stotz, the township is requesting resumes by Saturday (July 13) at 4:00 p.m to fill the vacancy with a temporary appointment. This appointment runs until the November 5, 2019 is election is certified. The successful person on the November 5 ballot will complete the remainder of the unexpired term that runs until December 31, 2021. Discussion on the trustee vacancy took place.

The need to rescind Resolution 2019-10 passed June 18, 2019 was discussed due to language that was omitted from that resolution specifying the jurisdiction of the voters. The resolution of necessity asked the county auditor to provide the revenue that would be generated from renewal of the Road and Bridge levy. The county auditor will not provide the revenue amount until a corrected resolution is provided by the township. The resolution passed today will be re-submitted to the county auditor in order to receive the revenue that will be generated, and a resolution will be passed on July 16 to place this renewal levy on the November 5, 2019 ballot.

Mr. Kusmer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Geyer, to rescind Resolution 2019-10 and replace it with a corrected resolution. The motion passed following a roll call vote: Mr. Geyer - Yes; Mr. Kusmer - Yes; as Resolution 2019-13:

RESOLUTION 2019-13

A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE §5705.03 REQUESTING THE SANDUSKY COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY TO THE BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY A 1.25 MILL RENEWAL FOR THE GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, RESURFACING, AND REPAIR OF STREETS, ROADS AND BRIDGES

Mr. Geyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, for reallocation of line items in the Motor Vehicle Fund. The motion passed following a roll call vote: Mr. Geyer - Yes; Mr. Kusmer - Yes; as Resolution 2019-14:

RESOLUTION 2019-14
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TO REALLOCATE AMONG ACCOUNT LINE ITEMS WITHIN THE MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAX FUND

Jack Ferguson asked about a bump that is 4" deep, has been there for years on Cole Road, and is essentially a speed bump. This hole is about 1/8 mile east of Baker Road on the north side of road. It has been blacktopped over. He asked if there is any money in the budget to correct this.

The June 30, 2019 Bank Reconciliation, purchase orders and checks for bills were signed by the trustees at this meeting.

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There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 a.m. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer - Yes; Mr. Kusmer - Yes; the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ellen K. Ickes, Fiscal Officer

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W. Robert Kusmer, Chairman