BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 21 2020 – 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with Chairman W. Robert Kusmer leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Trustees Richard A. Geyer and Philip F. Klausz

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, that the minutes of the July 7 2020 meeting minutes with some changes by Mr. Geyer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Tom Ackerman, Fiscal Officer – Mr. Ackerman gave trustees various reports to look over concerning finances.

Total Receipts for June – 19,114.05

Total Payments for June – 139,243.87

Total in all accounts – 1,649,797.56

PUBLIC COMMENT – Doug Crowell asked about vacant buildings. The fire department can take action on these building. Looking at building of General cutlery on Oakwood and B's Christian bookstore on E State. St, which is the building and the house. Both properties are in both poor conditions. The trustees have adopted the fire code. The idea is a vacant building ordinance to charge these customers a monthly fee to create a fund to help pay for all these expenses to deal with these buildings.

Parking on township roads. Doug has looked at code and it says minimum of 20 foot excluding curbs. No parking on fire hydrants side and that then become 26 feet. The township trustees have the right to regulate parking.

Doug talked gave a breakdown of property tax and where the monies go. 71% goes to schools. 13% goes toward the township. A vast majority of that 13% goes towards the fire levy money. Doug also brought up that Erie County charges a big truck fee for trucks that run into that county. He was wondering if Sandusky County could have a fee like that. Doug asked county commissioner Scott Miller who was in attendance of the meeting. Scott asked he would asked Carlos Baez if this is possible.

Sandusky County Commissioner Scott Miller let the trustees know that the county is in good shape. The Budget is tightened up due to the C-19 virus as casino tax is down the gas tax is down due to less travel They expected to be down 10-12% but its only down about 8%. There is no new hiring but they are replacing people who retire or quit. He asked to stop and look at the veteran's park across from courthouse and new archway was put in.

Scott's subdivision when he moved in had to sign a paper with rules about his subdivision. His subdivision does not know if these rules are still in place. Scott asked if trustees could override these rules. Bob Kusmer said the township cannot override these rules but these rules are normally

set for a certain amount of time like 20 years. It is possible that these rules have past and no longer exist. If the expire then it goes to township zoning rules. The homeowners can renew these covenants.

Chris Teague is new to the township and had a meeting with Mr. Bain and zoning board about variance for home business occupancy. He asked to be on the zoning board. He was previously on Rice Township zoning board.

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT – Bill Lagrou

Couple of funerals coming up.

We are applying for a grant for sidewalk at McGormeley Cemetary around the veterans section. A thousand dollar grant could be available for this project.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT - David Bain, Zoning Inspector

Mr. Bain submitted the Ballville Township Zoning Report through July 21, 2020 to the trustees, which was entered into the township meeting minutes.

Dave went over report with trustees for any further discussions.

PARKS REPORT – Karri Wood Bill Lagrou

Park board minutes was submitted to trustees and put into records.

Cleaning the parks the best we can to rid of the C-19 by sanitizing bathooms and shelterhouses.

Soccer would like to get started this fall.

Flowers at the new park are coming up good and looking nice.

Roads Report – Bill Lagrou

Accident on Morrison Road that had asphalt sealer and spilled into road and yard and county engineers are taking care of the situation. EPA was notified but since it was contained and they do not come out to investigate.

Issue 2 there is enough trustees signatures but still need 2 fiscal officers to sign and then the project is ready to go.

Looking to get a fogger but cannot order online or reserve. Made a trip to Home Depot since they had two but when got there they were already sold out.

Got pressure washer prices. Would like to get one that has a water tank so you do not need a water source on the site. After discussion about the different models and prices, Phil Klausz made following motion.

Moved by Mr. Klausz, seconded by Mr. Geyer, for $1000 of Covid money for water tank and transfer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Bob talked to Ken Olsen on Ponds Side Dr, and told him about conversations with Carlos and told him the plan to pave Ponds Side Dr. and Michaels sometime next year.

OLD BUSINESS

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NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 8 is on the board and will be addressed at next meeting.

There being no further business, Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, moved it to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes; the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Thomas Ackerman, Fiscal Officer

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W. Robert Kusmer, Chairman