BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5 2021 – 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom. 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 December 15 2020 meeting minutes. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, to nominate Bob Kusmer for Chairman. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, to nominate Phil Klausz for Vice Chairman. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Meeting date was set for 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 5:30pm.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, that the audit committee stay the three trustees and fiscal officer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, to keep Jim Barney the township solicitor. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

The Sandusky County Township Association Banquet has been cancelled for this year.

OTA Winter Conference is now online only but reservations need to be made to attend any of the classes. The three trustees, fiscal officer and superintendent would like to sign up.

Inventory meeting is set for Monday January 11 at 11:45 am and can be attended in person or on Zoom.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, to nominate Phil Klausz be appointed as voting member of the Regional Planning and Bob Kusmer act as the alternate. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, to nominate Bob Kusmer to the Health Department Advisory Committee. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT –

PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment was made

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT – Cemetery Grant we did not get.

HB 444 was passed which allows monies to be turned over and all records.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, for Jerry Porzcak to get plaque for tree in Conner Park. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT - David Bain, Zoning Inspector

Dave Bain gave trustees report as of January 5, 2021. Dave went over report.

Discussion took place on the various items to make sure we are following up on zoning violations.

Landscape being run out on Wisteria Drive, which is a residential neighborhood. Various violations are in place at this time, which there is a dumpster in the right of way and various trucks and trailers being parked on the road, which are commercial.

Hunted Hydro camper that was sitting out front in front of fence. Can that be there?

The property on 53 seems to be getting out of hand again. Dave will stop there.

Tim Pollard was sent letter for grinder pump to in place and he has not complied. There is around eight cars and trucks on the outside and it appears the inside is full of vehicles. His permit is ending in March, which after that he will be taken to court to tear the structure down. Jim Barney will be sending a letter with what is going on and he needs to comply with what is going on. He was supposed to get drawing of the house and permit for sanitary sewer permit.

Bob Kusmer did contact Ohio EPA on what is going on at the Farmer property on Hayes Ave. He asked them about any cleanup. It was a junk yard at one point and now they have hauled in spoils from the old school buildings. The US EPA said the soil had waste oil and PCBs on the property. He asked if it was ever cleaned up and it has not been cleaned up at this point. Bob has sent a letter to Ohio EPA asking if any plans were made to cleanup property before all these spoils were brought in.

Trustees have a copy of the minutes of public meeting for the Zoning Commission. Ron Shoemaker went over what was discussed with John Willey. The major change is the parking spots restriping will only be enforced onto new businesses. Old businesses will be grandfathered in the existing law. The other discussion took place was the fines which is set for $500 first offense and $500 for each additional day not in compliance of zoning laws. Public meeting will be set just before the first meeting in February, which would be February 2 at 5pm. Rick Geyer stated he is in favor everything except the $500 fine. Jim Barney said they could word saying up to $500 fine, which will allow some flexibility on what fine is used and how much when, it goes to court.

Ron Shoemaker brought up the temporary sign issue. Bob Kusmer said he found out that we cannot control what is on the sign but can only control where the sign is located to stay out of the right of way.

PARKS REPORT – Kerri Wood Bill Lagrou

No park board meeting last month in December. Next meeting is next Monday.

Bill did get license from EPA.

Decorations are off the bridge.

Bill got a call about Vince Snyder and he is retired and looking for something to do. He is looking at coming and trimming up stuff at the park. He would also consider pressure washing the gazebos and painting them in the spring. The trustees and Jim Barney discussed about getting together a volunteer contract that we can draw up. Any volunteer would have to bring his or her own equipment and tools.

Roads Report – Bill Lagrou

The recycling center was over flowed just after Christmas. The workers cleaned it up the best they could. They did add 2 new containers over the holidays. Some of the issues still come about that what is being dumped is what cannot put into these containers. We should consider putting out to the public about what they can and cannot put in the containers.

Public Cares package giveaways set up times for January 23 and 30th. February will be set of 20th and 27th. The time will be 9am to noon.

Salt bin we need to discuss at next meeting to start bidding it out. In addition, we need to call Carlos on resurfacing of Ponds side and Michaels. We can go about a foot on each side extra to widen the road a bit. Carlos will have to look into whether this can be done at this point.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, to go into executive session for purpose of discussing personal. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mr. Klausz, to return to general meeting. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Moved by Mr. Klausz, seconded by Mr. Geyer, to accept the wage package, which we discussed in executive session. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Klausz – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

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