BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 3, 2021 5:30PM

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. Mary Ann Reser.

Moved by Mrs. Reser, seconded by Mr. Geyer, that the minutes of the July 22 2021 meeting minutes with one minor change, which has been made, be approved. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT – No Financial Report at this time.

Tom Ackerman did mention he got receipt from Board of Elections and Fire Levy is good to go for the upcoming election.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Kathleen Serrick (CR 126) told her she is working on the vehicles on her property. Some of the vehicles she cannot find titles for. This was projects that her late husband was working on and most our in his name and she is currently working on getting these vehicles in her name so she can take care of this situation. It is currently a legal battle to get things taken care of. Bob said at this time we need to just wait on the legal system to help her to be able to take of this situation.

Doug Crowell (Ballville Fire Chief) brought a past concern with parking on roads. Doug brought in pictures from the past weekend on Celek Drive. That situation would have not allowed an emergency vehicle to get in there. Doug said under fire code that there is not a road in the township that is wide enough to be able to park on either side of the street. Doug has asked we look into making these roads no parking. It would be up to the Sheriff to enforce this if signs were put up. Doug read off the rules of parking regulations under the Ohio Revised code concerning this situation. Doug believes this a big issue and we need to get this fixed before something happens and an emergency vehicle cannot get to a property because of parked cars blocking the road. Discussion took place on how this can be fixed and how this would be enforced and further discussion on how to approach this and further discussion will take place in upcoming meetings. Doug is making the request of that no parking signs works. Mary Ann Reser is going to check the last time this issue was brought up years ago in prior township minutes.

There is a sinkhole on Upton Rd. and township is asked to fill this in. Bill said he would look and take care of this.

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT – There is deeds that need signed.
Grant was applied for and they got receipt that it was accepted.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT - David Bain, Zoning Inspector

Dave Bain gave trustees report as of August 3, 2021. Dave went over report and discussed what is going on with each.

No further discussion was made on Dave's report.

PARKS REPORT – Kerri Wood Bill Lagrou

Chudzinski-Johansson park parking lot is halfway done and paths are cut and the grindings from Pondside and Michaels have been moved over there.

Roads Report – Bill Lagrou

There is going to be some new poles put in on Stahl Road. The issue is that the upcoming ditch project will interfere with these poles. Bob is asking if the poles could be put on other side of road.

Columbia Gas sent a few contracts to be signed for work. There was one contract on private road which Bill sent back to tell them its private road and the association needs notified of the work.

Tornado sirens have been inspected and serviced. New batteries are needed and the cost of that would be a total of $1908.64 for both sirens.

Moved by Mr Geyer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, to purchase batteries at cost of $1908.64. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes

Salt barn is coming along and project is being done.

Salt bid is in. We ordered 200 tons at cost of 49.94 a ton. This is down $2.00 from last year.

Erie blacktop milled off Pondside and Michaels.

Juneteenth holiday needs to be recognized this year for the employees and at this point give the crew an extra personal day to use this year.

Moved by Mr. Kusmer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, to allow an extra personal day for this year for the Juneteenth holiday. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes

Trustees Comments –

Rick Geyer – No Comment today.

Mary Ann Reser – Had some people approach here about speed limits on Tiffin and Cole Rd. To change the speed limits there has to be a speed study, which cost around $4,500. This does not mean that the limit might not go down but could even go up. Mary Ann will pass on this information to these people.

Bob Kusmer – Resolution authorizing Bob to represent the Issue 2 grant.

Moved by Mr. Geyer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, to make Bob Kusmer representative of the Issue 2 grant known as resolution 13-2021. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer – Yes.

Bob passed out a copy of a letter from Northcoast Metal Manufacturer stating that the roof that is installed on township hall is legal which would not void warranty. This letter stats warranty is good as it was installed.

Bob had a meeting with county commissioners about the upcoming projects and Timpe Road and Buchanan Road. The commissioners will give us $300,000 towards them projects.

Old Business – No old business

New Business – No new business

There being no further business, Mr. Geyer made motion, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, moved it to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mr. Kusmer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – N/A. 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