BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 1, 2022 5:30PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. With Chairman Rick Geyer leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Also, present were Trustee, Mary Ann Reser and Trustee Bob Kusmer.

Moved by Mrs. Reser, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, that the minutes of the January 18, 2022 meeting minutes be accepted. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Tom Ackerman discussed comp time for employees that the comp time need to be taken from each account that the comp time was earned. The trustees agreed that comp needs to be taken from correct account going forward.

PUBLIC COMMENT – County Commissioner Scott Miller gave update on the county. He said Ballville township have done a wonderful job cleaned and tomorrow and Thursday you will show off again. You can tell if leave the area and come back in you can see the line especially from the south. Ballville does a great job and complaint you on job well done. EMA had a call and she got state recognized with what she (Lisa Kuehling) does with the EMA. County is looking good with the budgets and the county isn't going ahead with residential coding and its not on the table it gone. Scott was asked about the sewer rates. Scott said nothing has been brought up. Bob Kusmer said he talked with Paul Lotycz of Sandusky township. Bob and Paul will be coming to commissioners meeting sometime in the spring to bring up this issue. Bob believes we are getting ripped off via the contract by the average usage. Scott said this is something that should be brought up.

Linda Alexander who lives on Laird Road. She was made aware that repaving on Yingling will be done this year and she would like to look into getting Laird Rd paved which is private. She asked about the corner and whoever gets the bid she gets with them and see what the cost would be when they are doing Yingling. Bill said he talked to some of the residents down there and they might be interested in getting it done. Bill will update Linda Alexander and let her know who gets the bid and she can contact them about doing the extra work.

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT – Dave Frederick will be going west and last time he purchased some fronts for the mausoleum crepes. He is wondering if we need some more. Bill will ask Dave to get prices so they can decide. Fred Reckendwald asks about the cannons and if there is any history on them. Fred is going to check with Bob Gillmor and ask him if he knows the history to find out about them.

Bob Kusmer contacted Julie Chudzinski and he was able to get some information about the financials and insurances. He was able to obtain a folder of the information and took them to Beth Tischler to get this process going. Right now, they have 839,000 currently in the bank.

Bill is looking at all the equipment at Oakwood and trying to set up places to look at them and see what types of repairs might need done on the equipment.

Bob looked into backhoes at convention and CAT has a mini backhoe that probably be good for digging at cemeteries. The cost of the 303 was forty-three thousand. If we are looking at twenty thousand worth of repairs we would be better to look at new one.

Bill asked about getting keys done and security system from Oakwood Cemetery buildings and trustees said all good to get these things done.

Bill brought up the accident at Lebanon Cemetery. Dad said kid has to pay for the repairs. The amount needs to be 911.75. The trustees need this paid up front and not a payment plan.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT - David Bain, Zoning Inspector

Dave Bain showed report on tv as of February 1, 2022 and went over his report.

Jim asked if anyone heard from Pollard. Nobody has heard anything from him. Jim talked with him before and he said township won't give him a sewer line. Jim will take next step against him.

PARKS REPORT – Kerri Wood and Bill Lagrou

Park board meeting will be next week.

Bill got his licenses from the EPA.

Steve Frey got water softeners done at the fire hall and next week will be the station. He will then stop at park be make sure he has room and drainage. We will have skids to put them on for winter season so they don't freeze.

Bill went over the bids for the rubber which would go for the playgrounds. Hydraulic park would cost 46,620. Conner park front swings 53,995. The back swings at Conner would be 41,700. The big playground at Conner would be 124,000.

Bill also went over the bids for the gates at Chudzinski-Johannsson park would be 16,000.

Roads Report – Bill Lagrou

OTARMA grant we got last year we are about to use to purchase the chainsaws.

Mileage report from county engineer was 55.14 miles and needs signed by trustees.

Snow trucks ready to go for upcoming snow.

Bill talked about the items for sale at the county engineer. Bill wants to pass on the roller but wants to look into the salters that they have. Will update after looking at them.

Trustees Comments –

Rick Geyer – No Comment

Bob Kusmer – Went down to convention. Good convention and learned a lot. There was a good conversation on solar energy. Bob asked Rick again that he has not seen that article on the website. Rick said he sent it in. Bob said they didn't get it. Rick said he sent it in. Mary Ann asked for Rick to ask them why they didn't get it.

Mary Ann Reser – Mary Ann brought in interview questions to look at for upcoming interviews.

Old Business – Rick brought up a house that is on the Land Bank list that he sees that should not be on the list. Rick would like to bring up the vote again on the land bank resolution. Rick said some new information have come to light about the land bank document. I want to rescind my vote in favor of the agreement and want to make a motion to nullify the signed document and take re-vote. Mary Ann asked about the resolution on the land bank? Rick said "Yes."

Mary Ann asked about what the new information. Rick said he is not in favor of them taking down any buildings. Mary Ann said they can't take the property if they pay their taxes.

Rick made motion for a revote. Nobody seconded the vote.

New Business – Discussion took place by the trustees on who they would like to interview. They discussed each applicant they liked and that they should interview. They came up with the following names to interview. Paul Hrypcho. Kyle Bingaman. Andrew Wasserman. John McKnight. James Burkin.

Discussion took place on interview questions. A list of questions was approved by the trustees to ask on interviewees.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Thomas Ackerman, Fiscal Officer

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Rick Geyer, Chairperson