BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 21, 2022 5:30PM

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

Moved by Mr. Kusmer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, that the minutes of the June 7, 2022 meeting minutes be accepted. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Tom Ackerman

Year to date: Tom gave trustees fund status and appropriations reports

Total Payments: 437,023.68

Total Receipts: 1,359,729.62

Total in all Ballville accounts: 3,541,185.76

Oakwood Cemetery breakdown year to date

Income: 35,700

Expenses: 54,381.93

Total maintance used at Oakwood is 35,881.98.

Tom brought up the OTARMA bill for insurance and it has gone up about 2,800 over last year but we have added Oakwood Cemetery to the account.

Moved by Mr. Kusmer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, to pay the OTARMA insurance. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

Tom also passed out a new potential credit card and will get more information for the next meeting and make sure it's all the benefits we are looking for.

Moved by Mrs. Reser, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, to approve the financial given. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Michelle Bartson and her neighbors on Siler St. brought in a complaint about Josh Courtney and his project. She is very upset and is wondering in what is going. There is a camper and a shed on his property and is paying someone off? Rick said nobody is paying us off. Michelle can't understand why he is allowed to keep going without permits. She is wondering why the camper is there when he is not building a house. She asked if he has a permit for a house. Dave said he does on have a permit for building a house yet. He only has a permit for a sign on Cleveland Ave. She asked why he can have a camper on property when he isn't building a house. Dave said he told Mr. Courtney that farming is allowed on all districts if the acreage is there but it is

unfair that he does not have permits. Mr. Courtney believes he does not need permits since he is agriculture. Bob Kusmer said he was told by Mr. Courtney has bought property off Autumnwood in the city which he plans to do his farming. Michelle then asked why is there a camper there then? Mary Ann Reser asked Michelle is what you are asking us is how long we going to allow him to have the camper there? Michelle says technically he should not have a camper there is he doesn't have permit to build a house. Josh told them he is going to open this up to the public to use.

Barb Bristley brought up about discussion about Oakwood Cemetery. She has just found out that if a cemetery goes defunct that the township has to take it over via the law. She is wondering if it can be made to the public the situation the township has been put into. She is wondering if a Facebook page could be started and maybe ask for donations and maybe getting volunteers. She believes the township we need to let public know what is going on. Bob Kusmer responded hopefully we can work it out that we can maintain it and not lose money. Bob said we have gotten the law changed that the association had to give us the money they have which we have received some of it already.

David Richards and recently got a letter from zoning about mowing and he is asking what ordinance says he has to mow his property. The property was changed from residential to non-residential because the land is in a flood zone. He is wondering what he should do about this property. He lives in Tiffin and would have to hire someone to hire someone to mow this all summer long. The property in question is located on corner of CR 37 and River Rd. The trustees will get them the ordinance for the property and it will be mail to him.

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT –

Bill Lagrou said the foundations will be getting done soon and they have flagged them on where they go.

The basement at Oakwood flooded and Bob Kusmer cut out the carpet and they are getting it dried out and fans are currently running. We will continue to get this cleaned up.

Bob Kusmer said he get the deed recorded and it is done.

Columbia gas was in and got the new lines run to Oakwood.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT - David Bain, Zoning Inspector

Dave passed out his reports ending June 21, 2022 and went over it.

Mary Ann asked Dave about the process of uncut grass. Dave said sends a certified letter. After that another certified letter with what will happen explaining it will be charged to his property taxes. This whole process takes around 60 days. This is only for months of June through August.

PARKS BOARD – Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou

Fireworks is all set up and ready to go. Kerri said he has the money for the project as well as more.

Food truck are set up and still looking for a couple more.

SCRAP has their event coming up and we can buy advertising for our bicentennial coming up.

Moved by Mr. Kusmer, seconded by Mr. Geyer, to buy a full-page ad in SCRAP for cost of $105. meeting minutes be accepted. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

The goals for the back-soccer field is ordered at a cost of around $2800.

ROADS SUPERINTENDENT – Bill Lagrou

Cleanup has been going on over the past week from all the storms over past week or so.

Buchman road probably has a broken tile and S&S has been contacted to fix this problem as its deeper than what we can handle.

Trustees Comments –

Rick Geyer – No Comment

Bob Kusmer – The last meeting we voted Tony Stotz board of appeals and he wants on the zoning board too.

Moved by Mr. Kusmer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, to put Tony Stotz on the zoning board. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

Bob passed out job description for zoning inspector. We need to look this over and then get it out to the public.

Bob brought up the canoe are down by the river reservoir and things are expanding down there. Bob is asking the chairman should write a letter to the city mayor or safety service director. Bob asked that the zoning board of appeals only approved kayaking and canoeing. Dan Penn answered yes that was what was approved. Bob said there is 3-4 campers and there is ax throwing and other events now going on. Bob is still wondering if the commercial zoning has approved the buildings down there.

Bob got contract for B-Hillz for the tile work on Buchanan Road and they are ready to go. Still waiting on contract from Rim Tiling for the other part of the project.

Mary Ann Reser – Mary Ann has a card from Jim Gillis and we should also get him a gift card. Mary is suggesting a $50 gift card for a local restaurant.

Moved by Mrs. Reser, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, to purchase a gift card for $50 for Jim Gillis for service on cemetery board. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

Mary Ann passed out half the email list to Rick for inputting into excel for the upcoming newsletter list. Mary Ann will do the other half.

Old Business – Mary Ann believes that the Josh Courtney project will not be going away and wants to know what we want to do. Bob said he will fight us and we need to discuss this with Jim Barney on how to proceed. The property.

New Business –

Moved by Mr. Kusmer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, to go into executive session for personal. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

Moved by Mr. Kusmer, seconded by Mrs. Reser, to come out of executive session. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

There being no further business, Mrs. Reser made motion, seconded by Mr. Kusmer, 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