BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY APRIL 18, 2023 5:30PM

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

No meeting minutes were done for approval

FINANCIAL REPORT – Tom Ackerman

No Financial Report

PUBLIC COMMENT – Bob Kusmer spoke about the Dyenergy letters that went out with the changes to electric energy supplier for both Toledo Edison and AEP customers. This will set a fixed price until June of 2025 for all customers inside Ballville Township. Residents will be switched over but if they want to opt out they can call the number on the letter to do so. Discussion took place between residents and Trustees of how the program works.

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT – Jack Ferguson, Vice Chairperson

Jack Ferguson said that had their meeting at noon today and the most thing they talked about is the pricing for the new columbarium to be done sometime this year. The price was set for $1500 for each niche and cost of $500 for each opening and closing for each niche which would be for two.

Mr. Kusmer made motion to set columbarium pricing to $1500 for niche and $500 per opening and closing of niche which can house total of two. Seconded by Mr. Geyer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; - Mr. Kusmer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes, the motion passed.

Bill Lagrou said someone had an accident at Oakwood Cemetery where some damage to stones and also Oakwood pillars. At this point we are getting estimates on the cost to fix them and that will be sent to the driver's insurance company.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT – Troy Thatcher, Zoning Inspector

Troy passed out his reports ending April 18, 2023 and went over report with the trustees.

PARKS BOARD – Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou

Kerri Wood mentioned he had to cancel last week's meeting because of sick members.

Bill Lagrou said Fremont Water Treatment plant no longer does water samples so had to go to Jones and Henry in Rossford. There is a company in Sandusky that can do it for us so will look into them to be able to do this for us.

Dave Stotz Memorial has been laid out and need to dug before the concrete can be done.

Bob Kusmer brought the consideration to convert one of the two tennis courts into pickleball courts since this is picking up popularity. Bill Lagrou will look to see if this could be done.

ROADS SUPERINTENDENT – Bill Lagrou

Bill Lagrou gave trustees the Resolution for the Salt contract that needed to be signed.

Bill is looking into classes to get employees CDL licenses. The cost for a class ranges from $4000-$6400 depending on what type of class you take. Discussion took place between Bill Lagrou, Chad Lindsay and Trustees on how to schedule this and how to pay for it and if there should be a commitment from the employees since township will be paying for it.

Trustees Comments –

Rick Geyer – No Comment

Bob Kusmer – Bob Kusmer brought up the pay schedule for summer part time help since there is an issue finding employees.

Mr. Kusmer made motion to increase pay for seasonal to $11.00 per hour and part time to $13.00 per hour. Seconded by Mr. Geyer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; - Mr. Kusmer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes, the motion passed.

Mary Ann Reser – Attending Sandusky County Regional Planning Board meeting and they looked at our zoning Resolution for Solar Farm Fields. There was some discussion and there are small modifications that they are going to ask us to do.

Old Business – Tim Grabenstater asked about record retention and where the Trustees are at with that. Mary Ann said the Jim Barney was going to look it over and give his opinion on them at next meeting and will need to do a Resolution to adopt it.

New Business – Bob Kusmer said the Sandusky County Township meeting is scheduled for Thursday at Terra. OSS is to be a speaker to discuss the recycling program.

There being no further business, Mr. Geyer made motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Kusmer. 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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Mary Ann Reser, Chairperson