BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 1, 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.

Mr. Geyer made a motion to accept minutes from July 5. Seconded by Mr. Kusmer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

Mary Ann read off purposed Resolution 2023-07 for the purpose to allow Bob Kusmer to prepare and submit the next Issue II road project.

Mr. Geyer made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-07. Seconded by Mr. Kusmer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Tom Ackerman

Tom Ackerman gave an update on possible UBS investments but there are a few steps need to take place before we can do that. Tom asked Jim Barney to explain these steps.

Jim Barney said the township needs to determine how money located in inactive funds they would like to invest. There needs to be a Resolution of these inactive funds a then the trustees need to invite bids for prospective investment firms that offer township investments. This process will take about a month. Tom will work with Jim to get this process started.

Tom gave the trustees the current investment interest earnings per month via Star Ohio.

Tom gave update on the current Township audit. The audit is scheduled to be concluded on Friday Aug 4th and we will get a report and a list of purposed corrections that the Township should make.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No public Comment

Tim Grabenstetter asked Tom if he belongs to any associations for fiscal officer. Tom said only thing he has going on is there is a monthly training for fiscal officers through the Ohio Township Association.

TRUSTEES COMMENT

Bob Kusmer gave up update on Dave's Place. The project is started and the hole is dug and steel is in it and its coming along.

Bob has been in contact with Ohio Township Association regarding zoning violations and the ability of townships to fine individuals that break the zoning regulations. The State is looking into getting this added to an upcoming bill this fall.

On August 10th there will be group meeting to discuss different legislation to be put in the upcoming Omnibus Bill. First thing will be the annexations of city into townships and also water and sewer

that the cities charge township. The Issue II road project is starting up and we will get started with our project and deadline is September 9th.

Bill Lagrou suggested that maybe during the Car Show on September 30th that we also do the dedication to Dave's Place on the same day.

Bob Kusmer left the meeting to attend a family function.

TREMBLE ENERGY-

Joe Garrett from Tremble Energy came in to discuss getting a Township Natural Gas Aggregate started. This must be put on the ballot for the township residents to decide.

Mary read Resolution 2023-08 which would put on the ballot for voters to decide if the Township to go into a Natural Gas Aggregate program with opt-out provision.

Mr. Geyer made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-08. Seconded by Mrs. Reser. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –N/A

Mr. Geyer made a motion for Mary Ann to sign document to allow Columbia Gas to release data on how many customers use Natural Gas in the township. Seconded by Mr. Kusmer. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –N/A

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT –

Bill Lagrou mentioned the fence at Oakwood needs repaired or replaced on all sides. A total of 2200 feet of fence needs replaced.

Mary Ann read a letter from Tim Grabenstetter informing the trustees that he is resigning for the cemetery board effective immediately. It isn't necessary to find a replacement as the board still has enough members.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT – Troy Thatcher, Zoning Inspector

Troy passed out his reports ending August 1, 2023 and went over report with the trustees.

Troy mentioned on July 26th there was a zoning commission meeting with purposed changes and the next step in the changes can now take place. Jim Barney said that the next step would be to make the changes public and a meeting needs to take place by the Trustees. The plan is to have the meeting before the regular trustee meeting in September.

There is a scheduled court date for Tim Pollard case on August 21st.

PARKS BOARD – Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou

Bill Lagrou updated on Dave's Place and its coming along.

Bill is working on getting trophies and dash plaques for the upcoming All Wheels show.
ROADS SUPERINTENDENT – Bill Lagrou

Paving is complete for our Road project this year.

Issue II road project is estimated for $207,000 which 45% is paid by the state.

TRUSTEES COMMENTS

Rick Geyer – No Comment

Mary Ann Reser – Mary Ann brought that the newsletter is coming up to get sent out in October.

Old Business – No Old Business

New Business – No New Business

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