BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 7, 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 Bob Kusmer. Trustee Rick Geyer was absent.

Mr. Kusmer made a motion to accept minutes from October 17. Seconded by Mrs. Reser. Upon a vote, Mr. Geyer – N/A; Mrs. Reser – Yes Mr. Kusmer –Yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Tom Ackerman

Tom gave updates on Direct Deposit for payroll and once he has all the information there will be a test run. Hopefully by end of the yeah it will be up and running.

Tom gave updates on Medical Insurance. There were some comparisons from other companies. Julie from Sprouse can come in the first December meeting to go over everything.

Tom gave update that Star Ohio needs a new requirement for who can make decisions and view the accounts that need to be signed. Discussion took place and at next meeting will get this form filled out.

Tom gave update on Universal Farms which they are asking for a new yearly rate so a new contract will need to be done.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment

Mary Ann read a letter from Rick Geyer about his current medical condition. The letter will be attached to the minutes.

CEMETERY BOARD REPORT –

Jack Ferguson mentions that sales are going on for the Oakwood Columbarium and currently four are sold.

Bill Lagrou mentioned that Columbarium cannot not have the military medallions put on the plaques via the engraving company.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT – Troy Thatcher, Zoning Inspector

Troy passed out his reports ending November 7, 2023 and went over report with the trustees.

Troy mentioned that the zoning Commission meeting is set for next Wednesday.

PARKS BOARD – Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou

Bill mentioned that bathrooms are closed up and will be winterized soon.

Bill gave update on Dave Stotz memorial.

Bill gave update on Chudzinski-Johannsson Park pond which the liner is set to be put in last week of November.

ROADS SUPERINTENDENT – Bill Lagrou

Bill Lagrou received a road speed report from the county engineer. The report was from 1968 and a few of the roads are not signed properly. They will looking into a possible new speed study for the township. Bill said there has been a lot of changes in the township so a new study would be good.

TRUSTEES COMMENTS

Bob Kusmer – Omnibus Bill 315 is going in and there a provision for fines that can be levied by township for zoning violations. This is the early stages to get passed.

Bob Kusmer has received noticed about doing a Capital Improvement grant which is due on December 18. We are going for grant money for the cemetery.

Mary Ann Reser – Mary Ann gave update on the Pollard case. The next hearing is December 14 at 3pm. Mr. Pollard received a letter for a grant to put in a sanitary sewer for the property.

Mary Ann brought up the budget hearing to be set up for Friday December 8th at 9am and went over a potential agenda.

Old Business – Tom Ackerman received estimated resources from the County Auditor and passed out copies to the Trustees. Tom mentioned he will start working on Appropriations.

New Business – Bob Kusmer mentioned that OTA conferences are set in February so we need to register and book rooms as soon as possible.

Bill Lagrou mentioned that he will be applying for a grant for the Fire Department through the township.

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