BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 5, 2024 5:30PM

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

Mr. Farmer made a motion to approve February 20 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Kusmer. Upon a vote, Mr. Farmer – Yes; Mrs. Reser – No Mr. Kusmer –Yes. Motion was approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Tom Ackerman

Tom Ackerman passed out Receipt Listing for February and Payment Listing for March.

Direct Deposit had a small hitch and Chad got his money a day late.

Tom gave update on what he learned at OTA about deputy fiscal officer and assistant fiscal officer.

Tom also gave update about the responsibilities of minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Trustees asked for update on Buchman Road drainage problem and currently there appears to be a couple of sinkholes. Bill Lagrou said he will come out and look at the issue and call Adkins if they need to have a camera run through to see if there are any issues.
Bob Kusmer mentioned he is working with County Engineer to get a project started but it will still be a long way down the road to get done because of the potential cost of the project.

CEMETERY BOARD – Jack Ferguson

Jack gave Trustees a pamphlet for advertising the Oakwood Columbarium.

Discussion took place by the Trustees and it was decided to get a pamphlet for Ballville Cemeteries and the entire Cemetery offerings which include full burials and cremation services.

Bill Lagrou started discussion on the size of erns that will fit into the Columbarium niche. It was decided to buy a couple of erns to show people what erns will fit in the Columbarium and let funeral homes know about the size of erns that will work in the Columbarium.

ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT – Troy Thatcher, Zoning Inspector

Troy passed out report ending March 5, 2024 and went over it.

Troy is working with Township Attorneys about complaints about The Haunted Hydro.

PARKS BOARD – Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou

Bill Lagrou working on getting parks ready to be opened in April sometime.

ROADS SUPERINTENDENT – Bill Lagrou

Bill Lagrou said the township crew is working on drainage on Rambo Lane.

Bill asked Trustees about the possibility of paving the recycling center parking lot. Discussion took place. Bob Kusmer suggested for now that we put in some grinding to even out the lot.

Bob Kusmer mentioned the bid date for all Paving projects is set for April 16th at 5;30pm and bids to be opened at Ballville Township House.

TRUSTEES COMMENTS

Mary Ann Reser – Mary Ann mentioned Matt Stotz contacted her about getting a date set for Dave's Place dedication. Bob Kusmer said they will get in contact with concrete guy to set a time to pour and then there is just landscaping to finish it up.

Mary Ann asked why we don't sign the minutes. Gabby from Kocher Barney Law firm said she will look into and get back to the Trustees.

Mary Ann asked about getting semi annual newsletter started. Discussion tool place on it.

Rich Farmer – Rich had a resident on Morrison ask about their neighbor draining their basement towards their property. Rich informed that would be a civil issue but Rich did go out to look at it.

Bob Kusmer – Had annual meeting for Economic Development last Friday and nothing really got done that he needs to mention.

The Health Department meeting is set for Monday and local townships are asking about sanitation of homes that don't have sewer systems hooked into their properties.

The pond liner for Chudzinski-Johannson park is scheduled now for April 23rd.

Bob mentioned Regional Planning meeting is set for Monday and the zoning information will be going back to tax maps and updated.

Bob mentioned down at the State House that they making recommendations from a group in Franklin County that is pushing hard to eliminate zoning for townships and let the counties start doing it.

Old Business – No Old Business

New Business – No New Business

There being no further business, Mr. Farmer made motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Reser. Upon a vote, Mr. Farmer – 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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Bob Kusmer, Trustee Chairperson

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Mary Ann Reser, Trustee

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Rich Farmer, Trustee