BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING April 1, 2025, 5:30PM

Officials in Attendance: Trustee Mary Ann Reser Vice Chairperson, Trustee Bob Kusmer, and Absent were Trustee Rich Farmer and Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Reser.

Minutes-
Trustee Kusmer made a motion to accept the minutes from March 4 2025, Seconded by Trustee Reser. Roll Call Vote, Trustee Reser - Yes; Trustee Kusmer - Yes: Trustee Farmer N/A; The Motion Passed.

Financial Report - Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman
No Report as Mr. Ackerman was absent.

Public Comment -
Mr. Binkley asked about the possibility of allowing chickens in the township. Trustee Reser suggested the Zoning Commission make a recommendation. Discussion took place between the Trustees and Zoning Inspector Mr.Thatcher. Both Trustee Reser and Kusmer are against allowing this in residential. Mr. Thatcher will review neighboring townships and the city Resolutions and report back.

Cemetery Board Report - Jack Ferguson Chairperson
Mr. Ferguson has no updates.
Mr. Lagrou reported they are working on the Ford Dump Truck and hope to have it back soon. Cemetery spring cleanup has begun with much to do yet.
The Cemetery Board Meeting is scheduled for April 15th at noon.
Trustee Reser mentioned she posts Township information on Next Door App targeting residents of Ballville with items like Cemetery Cleanup.

Zoning Inspector Report - Troy Thatcher Inspector
Mr. Thatcher passed out a report dated April 1, to the Trustees and reviewed it with them.
Mr. Thatcher reported the Zoning Commission met last Wednesday as a Public Meeting to consider the Resolutions changes, and Chairman Ollom will be creating a letter about making changes and will start the process over.
Trustee Reser asked the township Attorney Abby T. what happens if the zoning commission elects not to approve a Zoning Amendment? Does the Amendment still come to Trustees for consideration or does it die? Abby said the Zoning Commission should still bring the resolution to the Trustees, for them to either recommend or deny it. Trustee Reser mentioned what would happen if we made a change to the area being proposed? Abby said she would look into the process that would be needed to be done. The Trustees can adopt, deny, or adopt with a modification. Trustee Reser mentioned the Zoning Commission tabled a decision until the next meeting.

Parks Board Report - Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou
Mr. Wood passed out the minutes of the last Park Board Meeting.
They discussed putting solar lighting on the signs at Chudzinski- Johannsson Park. The fences on the ballfields at Conner Park are now finished.
Trustee Kusmer reported on the proposal for the community center at Chuzinski-Johannsson Park, and decided to continue with the discussion when all three Trustees were present.
Mr. Wood mentioned about creating signs to tell of the different animals that you can see at the Chudzinski-Johannsson Park.
Trustee Kusmer would like to get a sign of a map of the Park created, containing the different trails and the lengths of each.
Mr. Lagrou mentioned that the Restrooms should be opening in the upcoming week and that the Easter Egg Hunts is set for April 12th at 11am.

Mr. Lagou reported the paying of the Park Board Members would be handled by Mr. Wood reporting in consideration of who attended the meetings. Mr. Wood will sign, as well as Mr. Lagrou as Township Superintendent.

Road Superintendent Report - Bill Lagrou

Mr. Lagrou reported receiving a letter from the County Engineer about the striping of the roads. He will put together a potential list of the roads, to be reviewed and voted on at the next meeting.

Mr. Lagrou reported on equipping the Twp. Equipment Truck with a generator and that he got prices on two.

A resident on Twp. Road 9 contacted Bill about putting a field tile into the right of way. This has been brought up previously and had been denied then. The Trustee decided to leave that decision the same as before.

A resident on Center St. is having trouble with trucks from EZ Shop damaging her yard.The Twp. gave her a few options and Trustees Kusmer suggested putting berm along the road.

Trustees Comments

Trustee Kusmer - reported on the bids for the CO-OP Repaving Project. There were 3 bidders, with the lowest from Gerken Paving at $826,370.00 - M&B bid was $837,647.00 - Erie was much higher than the others. Trustee Kusmer made a motion to accept the bid from Gerken-Paving at $826,370.00. Seconded by Trustee Reser. Roll Call Vote, Trustee Reser - Yes; Trustee Kusmer - Yes; Trustee Farmer N/A; The Motion Passed.

Trustee Kusmer gave an update on the Timpe Road Sewer Project. There are some road issues which will cause an over run on the project, with the additional paving. The project is going well and moving fast.

Trustee Kusmer gave an update on the Roselawn Project that the pipework is almost done. Clean up should be completed in the next few weeks.

Trustee Kusmer passed out paperwork on the Mitigation.

Trustee Kusmer reported going to Columbus to to testify on a sub committee on Senate Bill 104 which is trying to remove zoning for short term rentals.

Trustee Reser - reported Josh Randall has the website updated and is ready to go live for the Zoning Application and allow credit card payments for it.

Trustee Farmer - N/A

Old Business - No Old Business

New Business - No New Business

Trustee Kusmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with no objections, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

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Thomas Ackerman, Fiscal Officer

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Rich Farmer, Trustee Chairperson

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Mary Ann Reser, Trustee Vice- Chairperson

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Bob Kusmer, Trustee