BALLVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING July 15, 2025, 5:30PM

Officials in Attendance: Trustee Rich Farmer Chairperson, Trustee Mary Ann Reser Vice-Chairperson, Trustee Bob Kusmer, and Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Farmer

Minutes-

Trustees tabled the minutes to make changes.

Financial Report - Fiscal Officer Thomas Ackerman

Mr. Ackerman passed out reports to the Trustees for the 2nd quarter of the year. These reports were Payment Listings, Receipt Listings, Fund Status, and Appropriation Status.

Mr. Ackerman reported the Audit of the Township is still not complete. They are awaiting the Supervisor to sign off on it and then we will receive the findings.

Mr. Ackerman mentioned he will be setting up an office in the Oakwood Office Building as soon as the room is prepped.

Public Comment-

No Public Comment.

Cemetery Board Report- Jack Ferguson Chairperson -

Mr. Ferguson was present for the Board Meeting today, and absent for the General Meeting.

Mr.Lagrou reported they held the Cemetery Board Meeting today and mentioned the numerous projects going on. They also decided they will be changing the meeting dates to only three times a year. That change will be made at the next meeting in October.

Zoning Inspector Report - Troy Thatcher Inspector -

Mr. Thatcher provided a report ending July 15, to the Trustees and reviewed it with them. Mr. Thatcher reported there was a Ballville Zoning Appeals Meeting on Tuesday at 5:30 regarding a *special use permit* applied for by Jamie Miller for property on Bartson Road. For consideration is a Trucking Company and Haunted Woods Venue. All was approved.

Parks Board Report - Kerry Wood and Bill Lagrou -

Mr. Wood mentioned they had a Board Meeting last night, and discussed the purchase of *gazebos* for Connor Park. Mr. Wood discussed with Mr. Ackerman the possibility of residents purchasing and donating them for naming rights. Mr. Kusmer said he will look into getting prices, and if there would be discounts if we purchase multiple ones.

Mr. Lagrou mentioned they have the new bench installed at the Daves's Place tribute.

Mr. Wood asked about the Feasibility Study, and Trustee Farmer reported the possibility of having the result for the next General Meeting.

Road Superintendent Report - Bill Lagrou -

Mr. Lagrou reported he went to Timpe Rd. and Roselawn to see if the properties were draining as expected and reported all looks good for now. Mr. Lagrou mentioned the township crew should be berming Timpe Rd. next.

Trustee Kusmer mentioned they had a meeting with Great Lakes about the extra work on the Timpe Rd. Sewer Project, and they have negotiated a cost for the overruns, and will be sending an invoice for the township to review and decide to reject or accept.

Trustees Comments -

Trustee Farmer - brought up the need for a job description for the potential Township Clerk/ Secretary position, discussed in a prior meeting. Trustee Reser will look into if the county has one that we may use as a starting point.

Trustee Reser thanked Trustee Kusmer for attending the Sandusky County Regional Planning Meeting in her absence.

Trustee Kusmer mentioned he attended the Sandusky County Regional Planning Meeting, and their fees will be the same for the next year. The State of Ohio is looking into dissolution of Villages that are under 500 in population. This would put them into the township that they reside. This would start in 2030 after the latest census.

Ballville Township Zoning Amendments have been approved by Regional Planning.

Trustee Kusmer attended a Local Government Funding Committee Meeting in which City Auditor Paul Grahl reported he will work on a formula to set a program that would work for all. This could get revisited every 5 years. The next meeting will be in three weeks.

Trustee Kusmer mentioned the Sandusky County Township Association picnic is scheduled for this Thursday. Ohio Township Association Director Heidi Fought will be the guest speaker, and will be discussing *Property Tax.*

Old Business -

No old Business

New Business -

Chairperson Dan Penn asked if the Board of Zoning Appeals has bylaws?
In discussion with Trustees, the subject in question is of *rotation* of Chairman on an annual basis.

Trustee Reser made a *motion* to adjourn, with no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned,

Respectfully Submitted:_____Thomas Ackerman, Fiscal Officer.

_____Rich Farmer, Trustee Chairperson

_____Mary Ann Reser, Trustee Vice-Chairperson

_____Bob Kusmer, Trustee