

# Pittsfield Township Board of Trustees

February 3, 2014

The regular meeting of the Pittsfield Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Chairman Mark Diedrick at 7:30 p.m. in the Pittsfield Township Hall. Trustee Mark McConnell and Trustee Forrest Mohrman were present as well as Fiscal Officer Tari Diedrick. Also present were Dan Shinsky, Maintenance Supervisor and 10 guests.

## **#14-39 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Motion was made by Forrest Mohrman and seconded by Mark McConnell to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2014. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **#14-40 APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the financial reports as presented.

Current fund balance	\$331,962.57
Balance on 12/31/13	\$341,113.87

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **#14-41 APPROVAL OF PUBLIC FUNDS AGREEMENT WITH FIRSTMERIT BANK**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Mark Diedrick to approve the Public Funds Resolution with FirstMerit Bank and to make the necessary changes in authorized individuals to sign for bank transactions. The motion passed on a roll call vote. Forrest Mohrman abstained from the vote.

## **#14-42 APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE LAND PURCHASE**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve a purchase order #24-2014 in the amount of \$149,320.00 to Fidelity National Title for the land purchase. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **#14-43 APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS**

Motion was made by Forrest Mohrman and seconded by Mark McConnell to approve the following:

- Vouchers #4-2014 through #6-2014
- Warrants #9491 through #9506
- All totaling \$8,044.93

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

### **MEETING REPORTS –**

- Storm Water – Mark McConnell
- Trash Consortium – Forrest Mohrman
- RLCWA – Mark McConnell

### **OLD BUSINESS –**

Forrest Mohrman gave an update on the Quasar storage lagoon issue. He recently spoke with the Army Corp of Engineers and they stated that the situation was close to resolution.

The cemetery records were discussed. The old record books have been scanned, paper copies made, and a copy burned onto a CD for safe storage. The software program has been loaded on the computer and data entry will begin soon. Mark Diedrick is checking into the purchase of a fireproof safe for the original documents.

The Plum Creek Ditch Project was discussed. Because we were unable to obtain an easement from one of the residents, the project will not be able to be completed. Currently easements are being obtained for the Guthrie Ditch Project.

**#14-44 AGREEMENT TO RETURN APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR THE PLUM CREEK DITCH PROJECT AND TO ABANDON SAID PROJECT**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the returning of appropriated funds held by the Storm Water District for the Plum Creek Ditch Project and to abandon said project at this time. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

**#14-45 AGREEMENT TO DENY A BUREAU OF WORKERS COMP CLAIM FOR A FORMER EMPLOYEE**

Motion was made by Forrest Mohrman and seconded by Mark McConnell to deny a Bureau of Workers Comp claim for a former employee. The date of his injury was in 1982. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Deputy Vansant gave a brief update on the Pittsfield Township patrolling by the Lorain County Sheriff's Office. He will be the patrol representative in Pittsfield Township. A grant has been obtained to help with the cost of this community policing in area townships.

There was a brief discussion concerning the Service Agreement presented by Wellington Indoor Comfort for service to the new heating and air conditioning equipment in the Townhall.

**#14-46 AGREEMENT NOT TO OBTAIN THE SERVICE AGREEMENT PRESENTED BY WELLINGTON INDOOR COMFORT FOR SERVICE AND REPAIRS TO THE HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AT THE TOWNHALL**

Motion was made by Forrest Mohrman and seconded by Mark McConnell to not obtain the service agreement as presented by Wellington Indoor Comfort for service and repairs to the heating and air conditioning equipment at the Townhall. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

**#14-47 APPROVAL TO APPOINT JIM McCONNELL AS THE LORCO REPRESENTATIVE FOR PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP**

Motion was made by Mark Diedrick and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to appoint Jim McConnell as the LORCO representative for Pittsfield Township. This is a three year term. The motion passed on a roll call vote. Mark McConnell abstained from the vote.

**ZONING BUSINESS –**

Dan Shinsky reported on current zoning issues. He has received a building permit for the individual who had asked for an appeal for a variance which was heard at the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting. There is a resident who was having a driveway problem but the Trustees cannot help with the issue due to zoning regulations.

**ROAD AND MAINTENANCE REPORT –**

Dan Shinsky reported on the shortage of salt, which is a common problem in the entire state. He estimates that the Township currently has from 45 to 60 tons of salt in storage. If the weather continues, the Township will need to obtain more salt. Officials from the County Engineers Office are suggesting that the salt be spread only on the intersections and hills in order to save salt.

**#14-48 APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A CARBIDE CUTTING EDGE BLADE FOR THE SNOWPLOW TRUCK**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the purchase of a carbide cutting edge blade for the snowplow truck. This would be purchased from Judco and is a bit more expensive but would last longer than the type of blade currently used. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

**#14-49 APPROVAL FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$50.00 AS THE REPLACEMENT COST OFFERED TO RESIDENTS WHOSE MAILBOX WAS DAMAGED BY THE TOWNSHIP SNOWPLOW ON TOWNSHIP ROADS**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Mark Diedrick to approve the amount of \$50.00 as the replacement cost offered to residents whose mailbox was damaged by the Township snowplow on Township roads. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

**#14-50 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Forrest Mohrman and seconded by Mark McConnell to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The next meeting will be held on February 17, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

**THE PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**

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