

Pittsfield Township Board of Trustees

March 17, 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 12 guests.

#14-64 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Forrest Mohrman and seconded by Mark McConnell to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 3, 2014. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

#14-65 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	\$161,754.91
Balance on 3/3/14	\$163,047.99

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

#14-66 APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS

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

PO #31-2014	\$415.00	Farm & Home Hardware –air compressor
PO #32-2014	\$450.00	Columbia Gas–natural gas- additional needed-March

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

#14-67 APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS

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

Voucher #15
Warrants #9551 through #9572
All totaling \$9,180.19

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

MEETING REPORTS –

WFD – March 5 – Mark Diedrick
LC Health District Meeting – Forrest Mohrman
CLCAD – March 13 – Mark McConnell
LORCO – Mark McConnell

OLD BUSINESS –

Forrest Mohrman gave a report on the Quasar storage lagoon issue. He stated that there is not a full resolution to the issue as of yet. The Army Corp of Engineers was not able to disclose the terms of the restoration of the project. Negotiations are still going on between the Ortner and the Army Corp of Engineers.

Forrest also reported that there is a volunteer program called Storm Watchers. There is to be a meeting on March 24th to train interested individuals who wish to become “storm watchers”.

There was a brief discussion on acceptable septic systems for this area. Mark McConnell stated that the Health Dept. makes suggestions to home owners based upon each situation. Although the mound septic system is very popular, it is not necessarily the best option in all situations.

Deputy Vansant displayed the "Crime Watch" security light bulb to residents. This light bulb is placed in a lamp in a home window and can help emergency personnel locate a home in need of help faster. He gave out applications to be completed to receive these security light bulbs.

Sandy Diedrick reported that she is progressing with the entry of the cemetery records into the computer. The fireproof safe has been delivered to the Township office and will be used to store the original cemetery records.

Regarding the Guthrie Ditch, Mark McConnell stated that he is meeting with residents in April to review the approval needed from the land owners. Mark also stated that he is working on the project of cleaning a ditch on the east side of 58 just south of the LCJVS. He is asking approval from ODOT and has a volunteer contractor ready to do the project.

NEW BUSINESS –

#14-68 APPROVAL TO PURCHASE 350 TON OF ROAD SALT THROUGH THE ODOT SALT CONTRACT BID SYSTEM FOR THE 2014-2015 WINTER SEASON

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the purchase of 350 ton of road salt through the ODOT cooperative purchasing system for the winter of 2014-2015. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

#14-69 APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A \$25.00 GIFT CARD TO BE USED AS A DOOR PRIZE FOR THE LORAIN COUNTY TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION SPRING BANQUET

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the purchase of a \$25.00 gift card to be used as a door prize for the Lorain County Township Association Spring Banquet to be held on April 17, 2014. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

#14-70 APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STATE ISSUE I, RENEWAL OF THE STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM, ON THE MAY 6, 2014 BALLOT

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve a resolution in support of State Issue I for the renewal of the State Capital Improvements Program on the May 6, 2014 ballot. See resolution attached. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Pride Day will be on May 17, 2014. Mark Diedrick announced that the Pittsfield 4-H Club will be doing a community service project of planting flowers and mulching around the townhall and park.

Forrest Mohrman announced that there would be a fall sign-up for entities to attend the Lorain County Safety Council meetings in order to receive a discount on BWC premiums.

ZONING BUSINESS

Dan Shinsky reported that he has issued a building permit for a barn on Hughes Road. He also reported that a landowner on Route 20 is considering a concrete making facility on the property. After discussion it was decided that the landowner would need to make application for a permit. It would then be taken to the Zoning Board for review for a variance to be zoned industrial.

ROAD & MAINTENANCE REPORT

It was reported that there are three picnic tables for disposal. It was decided to have a silent auction published in the next newsletter with the tables being given to the highest bidder.

Dan Shinsky reported that he is getting the equipment ready for spring. The tractor trade-in, as part of our contract with Wellington Implement, will be happening soon.

#14-71 ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Forrest Mohrman and seconded by Mark McConnell to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. The motion passed on a voice vote.

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

THE PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Attest: _____