

# **Pittsfield Township Board of Trustees**

**August 18, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Pittsfield Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Vice Chairman Forrest Mohrman at 7:30 p.m. in the Pittsfield Township Hall. Trustee Mark McConnell was present as well as Fiscal Officer Tari Diedrick. Trustee Mark Diedrick was absent. Also present were Dan Shinsky, Maintenance Supervisor, and 14 guests.

## **#14-145 APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 4, 2014. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **#14-146 APPROVAL OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of August 11, 2014. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **#14-147 APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

Current fund balance                      \$288,383.76

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **#14-148 APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve a purchase order #96-2014 in the amount of \$244.00 to Office Max for the purchase of recycled paper, part of which will be reimbursed by the Lorain County Solid Waste grant. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **#14-149 APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS**

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

Voucher #56-58-59

Warrants #9760 through #9780

All totaling \$14,478.37

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

## **MEETING REPORTS**

RLCWA – Aug. 13 - Mark McConnell

CLCAD – Aug. 14 – Mark McConnell

## **OLD BUSINESS –**

It was brought to the attention of the Trustees that possibly a business is being established in a private home. The Trustees reassured the resident that a permit would be needed for the business and that a conditional use permit would have to be obtained through the Pittsfield Township Board of Zoning Appeals.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

All were reminded that Dumpster Day is scheduled for September 6, 2014. Postcards will be sent to residents.

Forrest Mohrman presented a letter from the EPA stating their concern regarding the zoning changes recently made by Pittsfield Township. The EPA stated that the recent amendment about sewage management was in conflict with Ohio Revised Code. Discussion followed.

### **#14-150 APPROVAL TO FORWARD THE EPA LETTER TO PROSECUTING ATTORNEY GERALD INNES FOR HIS RESPONSE**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the forwarding of the EPA letter dated August 18, 2014 to Prosecuting Attorney Gerald Innes for his response. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Mark McConnell stated that the Ohio Department of Health is proposing changes to home sewage regulations. Their proposals are currently available for public comment before the regulations are officially approved.

### **#14-151 APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00 TO HARRISON FORD FOR REPAIRS TO THE ONE-TON TRUCK**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve a purchase order in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Harrison Ford for repairs to the one-ton truck. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

### **#14-152 APPROVAL TO FILE APPLICATION TO OPWC FOR 2015 ROAD WORK FOR THE RESURFACING OF WHITNEY ROAD BETWEEN QUARRY ROAD AND PITTS ROAD**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve the filing of an application to OPWC for 2015 road work for the resurfacing of Whitney Road between Quarry Road and Pitts Road. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

### **#14-153 APPROVAL TO APPOINT MARK DIEDRICK AS THE CONTACT PERSON FOR THE OPWC PROJECT**

Motion was made by Mark McConnell and seconded by Forrest Mohrman to approve a resolution authorizing Mark Diedrick, Trustee, to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program(s) and to execute contracts as required. The motion passed on a voice vote.

## **ROAD AND MAINTENANCE REPORT –**

Mark McConnell reported that repairs have been made to Pitts Road south of Hughes Road due to a culvert problem.

**ZONING BUSINESS**

Jennifer Abram stated her concern regarding new property owners near her home. She is concerned about the property being used for recreational purposes such as hunting and bike trails. She suggested zoning resolutions to prohibit the hunting and also the noise of bikes or four-wheelers. Discussion followed. Mark McConnell stated that it is hard to regulate the noise factor as it is often difficult to measure noise. The issue of hunting probably cannot be zoned as illegal if it has been used as hunting grounds in the past.

It was suggested that a fall newsletter be published, probably in October. Renee Overstreet asked for suggestions for article topics for this newsletter.

**#14-154 ADJOURNMENT**

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

The next meeting will be held on September 1, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

**THE PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**

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