

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees

August 28, 2006

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday August 28, 2006 to transact business. Chairman Henning called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. James Danbury, Bari Henning and Jim Taylor answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Yvonne Malott, Earl Whiteman, Carl Rayles and Richard Malott.

Mr. Taylor motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Danbury second. Mr. Danbury and Mr. Taylor voted yea and Mr. Henning abstained. Mr. Carson presented a financial report, including a comprehensive account of expenditures and receipts and the trustees accepted it.

Receipts of the meeting:

Total Receipts: \$274,888.70

Mr. Danbury motioned to pay the following bills. Mr. Taylor second. All yeas.

Total Bills: \$30,767.90

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman said that he talked to Jim Sammons about doing pavement work on Elston Hockstock Road and he estimated a cost of about \$2,400 for the repairs. Mr. Henning motioned to hire Jim Sammons to do pavement work on Elston Hockstock Road at a cost of about \$2,400. Mr. Danbury second. All yeas. Mr. Whiteman said that he is concerned about all of the pipes on Todds Run Foster Road, because he thinks the new subdivision in the village is going to cause too much run off of water onto the roads. Mr. Henning said that he spoke with the Village Administrator about the village subdivisions. He said that he was told that the Santoro subdivision will have 193 homes and it is a PUD. He said that the homes will average in price between \$180,000 and \$300,000. Mr. Whiteman said that he has seen that road under water before and he is very concerned about it. Mr. Henning said that the village administrator told him that it has to go through the Clermont County storm water management department for approval. Mr. Whiteman said that they are receiving about two or three hundred loads of free dirt and he is telling them to dump it in the field behind the cemetery and he said that they are going to level it out. Mr. Whiteman said that he thinks we will have problems on Todds Run Foster Road as soon as this winter. Mr. Henning said that they assured him that the water wouldn't be a problem; because of there should be retention ponds in the PUD. Mr. Danbury said that it may not be until next year until the retention ponds are put in.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She asked if we could get name plates for the zoning board members, because they are currently using cardboard name plates and they look tacky. The trustees said that she could order some. Mrs. Malott asked if the zoning board members could get a raise, because they have worked a lot over the years. Mr. Henning asked what other members in surrounding townships get paid and she said anywhere from \$15 to \$30/meeting. Mr. Taylor said that it would be easiest if we gave them raises at the end of the year and asked her to remind them at the end of the year.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Malott said that there is a mechanic's school at the academy and he is planning to send Kevin Wiedemann. Mr. Danbury motioned to send Kevin Wiedemann to the mechanic's school. Mr. Taylor second. All yeas. Mr. Malott said that two of the tires are bad on the aerial truck. Mr. Henning said that he is going to check to see if he can find the same tires. Mr. Malott said that it's time to order fire prevention material and it will cost around \$791.20. Mr. Danbury motioned to buy the fire prevention material. Mr. Taylor second. All yeas. Mr. Malott said that the cellular phones in the life squads are on an old system and the technology. He said that he is checking on prices. He said that he is having problems with skateboarding in the parking lot of the emergency services building. He asked if he could put up some signs to say No Skateboarding and No Loitering, etc. The trustees told him to talk to Mr. Whiteman about ordering the signs. Mr. Danbury asked if we should say something to the village police chief. Mr. Taylor said that we should wait until they put up the signs and then talk to the police. Mr. Malott said that the radios that he has ordered at an earlier meeting have a programming feature and it will cost about \$350 if we want to have our own. He said that the Fire Chief's Association has one in the county, but he thinks we need our own. He said that during the first month of soft billing, about 39 life squad bills and one fire bill went out. He said that this has increased Judy's work load and she can't get in done in two days like she did before, so he may need her to work a little extra to get it done.

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Ed Barber from Burnham and Flower Insurance Agency said that we have been with them since 1993. He gave a quote of \$19,250 for our next year's premium, which is about \$5,000 less than last year. He said that there plans are a lot different than the Ohio Plan. He said that they cover zoning losses. He said that they cover pollution up to \$500,000, whereas the Ohio Plan does not. He said that they provide mold coverage and terrorism coverage whereas the Ohio Plan does not. He said that they are endorsed by the Ohio Township Association and they have 965 townships across the state. He said that he is not criticizing the other program, but he wanted to point out a few key differences. He said that he thinks that getting competitive quotes is a good idea, but he thinks that if someone decides to change coverage, there should be a good reason to leave such as being unhappy with service, etc. He said that punitive damages are not excluded, but they are excluded in the Ohio Plan. He said that there is \$25,000 coverage for cleaning up mold and \$25,000 coverage for anyone that sues due to getting sick or something from the mold. He said that there are some exciting changes coming soon to the plan in the coming year. He said that there have not been increases in the base premium with their plan. Increases have come due to claims. Mr. Danbury asked about what they provide to the State Auditor, because the Ohio Plan salesman stated at the last meeting that OTARMA's plan is quite alarming to the State Auditor. He said that he isn't sure what they are referring to, because they comply with all State Audit requirements. Mr. Barber said that if we decided to leave, we should buy prior acts coverage to cover us back to 1993 and the Ohio Plan should offer it. Mr. Danbury said that the Ohio Plan didn't cover that. Mr. Barber said that the assets of their program are very secure. Mr. Danbury said that we have been very happy with OTARMA's plan. Mr. Danbury said that there is only \$382 difference in the premiums and he isn't prepared to make a change because of that and we have been very happy with OTARMA. Mr. Danbury motioned to stay with OTARMA for the next year. Mr. Taylor second. All yeas.

Mr. Taylor motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:30 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman