

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

September 8, 2008

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday September 8, 2008 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. Guy Bainum, Bari Henning and Jim Taylor answered the roll call. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Gregory W. Carson, Yvonne Malott, Deputy John Schaeffer, Earl Whiteman, Ed Boll and Brian Tatman.

Mr. Taylor motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Carson presented a financial report, including a comprehensive account of expenditures and receipts and the trustees accepted it.

Mr. Bainum motioned to pay the attached bills. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Sheriff Report

Deputy Schaeffer said that there is nothing new to report. The trustees said that no news is good news from the Deputy.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman said that he has heard from the county that salt may be between \$150-\$200/ton this year and it may be hard to get and we may not be able to get it. He thinks we should move the current salt inventory to the new salt shed and fill the old salt shed with sand in case we need to use it this winter. Mr. Henning said that he has information from the SWOP4G program and it doesn't look good, because they didn't put us in their bid package. He said that he has information from another company with costs of around \$150/ton. He said that he talked to another entity that bid more than they can use and he thinks we might be able to get some of their salt, but it was only preliminary discussion. Mr. Henning said that we might be able to mix the salt and sand and make it go farther. Mr. Henning suggested going ahead and moving the salt to the new shed and filling the old one with sand. Mr. Whiteman said that there are about three dead trees in the cemeteries and we need to take them down after fall is over. Mr. Bainum asked if we hire someone to drop the trees or if we drop them ourselves. Mr. Whiteman said that we usually quote different tree companies to drop the trees and then we do all of the clean up and removal. Mr. Tatman said that the new law on the street signs takes effect in 2011. Mr. Henning asked him to find out how many signs we need to replace and get estimates on them. Mr. Henning said that Mr. Tatman has been entering data into the new cemetery software and has entered quite a bit of data. He is working overtime to get this done, because there isn't any time available during the normal work day. The trustees agreed that he could work as much overtime as needed to get this done. Mr. Tatman said that the bench is in and it was installed Thursday by Hiron's Memorial Works.

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She said that Mr. Lester from Maple Drive stopped by today and said that there is still water standing in his ditch. Mr. Henning said that the trustees and the roads department stopped by a few weeks ago and looked at it and informed him that he had dug his ditch too deep and until he filled it back in to the same level as the other ditches, he is going to have standing water. Mr. Tatman said that they looked at the pipe under the road and water is still flowing through it. Mr. Bainum said that he talked to Mr. Posey on North Ellis Road and their neighbor's yard is a mess with junk in the yard and the lawn isn't mowed. Mr. Henning said that there is a property on Musgrove Road with high grass also, but she will have to drive buy and find it, because he doesn't know the address. Mrs. Malott said that she is having problems again with Mr. Williams at 2905 Old State Route 32 and trash. She said that the trash is stacked up and there are several tires stacked up also. She said that she has contacted the Board of Health about this.

Mr. Henning said that the County Commissioners approved changing the name of Front Wheel Drive to James E. Sauls Sr. Drive. He said that Lucy Snell asked if the Williamsburg Harmony Hill Association could put a flyer in our newsletter each time. The trustees agreed that we could do this. Mr. Henning said that we received a letter from the Williamsburg Harmony Hill Association asking for a donation. Mr. Bainum said that he would investigate what the Village of Williamsburg has done in the past and let us know. Mr. Taylor said that he has some reluctance in doing this, because they are a private not for profit. Mr. Taylor said that T. David Burgess contacted him to get proof that the Township didn't have a problem with annexation of the Bohl property into the village. Mr. Henning stated that the trustees had no objection to the David & Jody Bohl annexation on Lytle Avenue due to the fact that the township can't provide sewers and the village can. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Bainum agreed.

Mr. Taylor motioned to approve the resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Mr. Bainum motioned to adjourn at approximately 8:40 p.m. Mr. Henning second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman