

Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees Minutes

September 22, 2008

The Williamsburg Township Board of Trustees met on Monday September 22, 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, Brian Tatman, Richard Malott, Ed Boll, Earl Whiteman and Yvonne Malott.

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

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

Zoning Report

Mrs. Malott presented a zoning report. She explained that there is a lot of trash in the driveway at 4275 North Ellis Road. She said that the county is going to mow the grass, but the owners have abandoned the house and dumped the junk that they didn't need in front of the house. She explained that there was a huge discrepancy in the survey for the Boars Head property, but Mr. Sammons and Mr. Arnold worked it out.

Cemetery & Maintenance Report

Mr. Whiteman reported that the dumpsters are still on schedule for October. Mr. Tatman reported that the new dump truck broke down and was towed to 32 Ford. The truck only has 650 miles on it, but the part will be in this week. He said that the roads are now open after the huge wind storm last week. Mr. Henning said that we normally don't accept brush, but since we had such a huge tragedy of a wind storm, we have set up a place at the fire house for residents to dump their brush. Mr. Tatman said that we'll have to rent a chipper for a couple of days to chip up all of the brush. He said that Dualite cut down a tree in the cemetery for us. Mr. Henning said that a track on the door on the new shed was bent back during the wind storm and needs to be repaired and we lost several shingles, so Hosea is going to do the repairs soon. Mr. Tatman said that he has made great progress on entering the cemetery owners into the new software.

Emergency Services Report

Mr. Henning thanked the emergency services and our road crew for working extremely hard during the wind storm. Mr. Malott said that he has two applications for volunteer firefighters. He said that they are Christopher Wright and Christina Amriott. Mr. Henning motioned to accept Christopher Wright and Christina Amriott as volunteer fire fighters for the normal probationary period of 1 year. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. He said that a law was passed and it's a federal regulation that everyone in the right of way must have a highly visible reflective 2 color vest of lime green or burnt orange. He said that a lot of the fire chief's have written letters in protest to this new law, because non flame retardant vests will melt at a fire scene and stick to the nice reflective coats that we currently have. He said that if we buy new coats, they will be around \$200/each. He said that the volunteer fire fighters will pay for half of the cost if the township will pay the other half and they need approximately 38 coats. He said that these coats are lime green. Mr. Henning suggested burnt orange coats, because he is afraid it will blend into the greenery. Mr. Malott said that he hasn't seen any orange coats, but he will check. Mr. Henning motioned to buy the new coats and to split the cost with the volunteer fire fighters. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Mr. Bainum said that he spoke to the village to find out what they gave to Harmony Hill and they gave \$2,500 last year. Mr. Taylor said that the ORC allows for a township to donate to a non profit agency if it is for the betterment of the community for historical purposes per our county prosecutor. Mr. Taylor said that he struggles with this type of donation, because its tax money being donated. Mr. Henning said that he feels the same way, but this is a little different, because it's preserving the history of Williamsburg and feels that we shouldn't budget this for years to come, but a one time donation might be in order. Mr. Henning motioned to donate \$2,000 to Williamsburg Harmony Hill Association, Inc. for the preservation of the history of Williamsburg. Mr. Taylor second. All yeas. Mr. Henning said that the Village asked us to donate money for half of the cost of the port-a-lets and the cost will be around \$77.50. Mr. Henning motioned to pay for half of the cost of the port-a-lets for the Williamsburg Christmas Walk. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas. Mr. Henning said that the village administrator said that we didn't pay for half of the cost for the port-a-lets for last year. Mr. Carson said that we didn't receive an invoice, but requested one and we will pay it.

Mr. Carson said that he met with the State Auditor and finalized the paperwork for the 2006/2007 audit and everything looked good. He said that he waived the post audit since there weren't any issues.

Mr. Carson said that he received a quote on a network for the township. The trustees asked him to talk to a couple of other vendors to get other quotes for comparison.

Mr. Henning said that there is an open house on Tuesday September 23 at Williamsburg Schools to show residents possible plans for the 32 Corridor study. He said that the County Commissioners are holding a meeting at the Williamsburg Village Hall to discuss issues with the Township Trustees and the Village Council on Wednesday. Mr. Taylor said that he doesn't have any issues to discuss with the County Commissioners.

Mr. Taylor motioned to adjourn at approximately 9:00 p.m. Mr. Bainum second. All yeas.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman