

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Greenfield Township Trustees

Meeting

March 13, 2019

Held 2:00 PM

The Greenfield Township Trustees met in regular session at the firehouse. Dave Cotner called the meeting to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Dave Cotner and Lonnie Kosch were present. Kent Searle was out of state.

Trustee Cotner made a motion at 2:05 PM to go into executive session to discuss with FLSA issue with legal counsel, seconded by Trustee Kosch.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes; Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0.

Motion to come out of executive session at 2:29 made by Trustee Cotner, seconded by Trustee Kosch

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes; Kosch: yes; Searle: abstained. Motion Passed 2-0.

Trustee Cotner stated the reason for the executive session was to discuss FLSA hours for an employee's work time with our attorney.

After each Trustee reviewed the minutes from the trustee meeting that was held on February 27, 2019, Trustee Kosch made the motion to approve the minutes as written; Trustee Cotner seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes; Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0.

After each Trustee reviewed the minutes from the trustee meeting that was held on March 5, 2019, Trustee Kosch made the motion to approve the minutes as written; Trustee Cotner seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes; Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0.

FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER

The Fiscal Officer passed various pieces of correspondence and the financial reports.

Trustee Cotner made a motion to approve financial reports; Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL Cotner: yes, Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0

Trustee Cotner made a motion to pay the bills associated with warrants 32842 – 32868 and the electronic debits 17 2019 – 29 2019 and Trustee Kosch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes, Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0

Trustee Kosch made a motion to accept the purchases orders and/or then and now purchase orders; Trustee Cotner seconded.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes, Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0

Fiscal Officer Wyne stated that the AFLAC rep will be in the fire house meeting room on Wednesday, March 20 from 10:30 a.m. to noon for those employees that want to make any changes to their AFLAC insurance since March is open enrollment.

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FLOOR

Mike Graszl of 5253 Brook Road voiced concerns of the water drainage on the road. It comes across the road and is washing out our driveway. He stated the mail carrier can't get to the mailbox because the road is eroding. Tom said he had cleaned the pipe opening across the road. Tom is to look into this. Tom stated there is a lot of berming to be done and that area is one of the areas.

Numerous people voiced their opposition to the storage units being built on Walter Beatty's property. After heated discussion (yelling & profanity), Trustee Cotner asked those people to leave as the meeting was getting out of hand.

Bryan Swinford, 2144 Greencrest Way, Lancaster said that Mr. Beatty is not allowed to connect the road leading to the storage units to a city street or county highway according to city & county engineering. Mr. Swinford asked if the trustees could make a motion to reverse the decision on the storage units. Trustee Cotner told him no, that after it had been approved, Mr. Beatty would take Greenfield Township to court and wipe us out.

Brent Criser of 1640 Bush Hill Drive, Lancaster passed out a photo of Greenfield Estates of the planned storage units and spoke of his concerns of the planned storage units. He said RPC stated they felt it wasn't a good fit

John Reef spoke on the February 22nd zoning commission meeting, asking where were the notices of the meeting posted and questioned what the commission talked about. He heard they questioned if a kennel is really under agriculture. John stated the prosecutor had researched this for the BZA; it is case law and wondered why this is being talked about in a zoning commission meeting. John feels these meetings are a fraudulent use of Greenfield tax payers' monies and the members should not be paid for this meeting. We just had a meeting on this on February 5th with the prosecutor.

Kim Wickham stated that in 2015 she was appointed to the Zoning Commission and talked about her progression with the commission and her hours spent on meetings and working on the book. She talked about the township monies spent on the zoning commission and felt she gets no respect. She asked if the trustees wanted her to email them each month of their monthly meeting. She also wanted to address the issue of Mr. Reef's question of why they had a meeting. Kim said that the prosecutor stated that they were allowed to discuss the rules of procedure at their meeting and that is why they had that meeting. Trustee Cotner replied that if you are working on zoning book or zoning changes that is a reason to have a meeting. Jim Beiter said he has been on the commission for quit a while and the last year or so it has gone downhill and lost several members. Jim Beiter stated that there are still mistakes in the book even after there was a professional hired to help with the book. Kim stated the reason for the last meeting and the meeting next Wednesday is to discuss the rules and procedure and members need to attend the meetings and need to be a part of what we are trying to do. John Reef stated that Don Brosius advised the Zoning Commission in the past that what goes on with the Zoning Inspector is no concern of the Zoning Commission. Trustee Cotner suggested the commission submit an agenda for the upcoming meeting prior to the meeting. Trustee Kosch also suggested they make an agenda about the book and they pass it out to the other zoning commission members so that they could research and give it to Dawn to have it posted. Lengthy discussion followed.

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Kim Wickham asked Tom if the ditch in front of her house was going to be dredged this year. Tom said yes and they would be starting farther up the hill from her and coming down the hill dredging.

ZONING DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

There was no fee & permit report as there was no activity.

Kevin said the zoning book is being printed (20 copies) and should be ready soon.

Kevin stated he has the plans for the new school and they are in the office. Kevin stated if there are any concerns, you have until March 15th to voice them. Kevin pointed out there is no turn lane into the school from Carroll Eastern Road and said if that is a concern for the board, they do have until March 15th to voice that.

Kevin passed out the paperwork that is needed for the removal of the junk cars on 158. Trustee Cotner stated he went out today and took pictures of the cars so they can get started soon. Trustee Cotner said we need to contact the auditor's office to find out what we can charge per car.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Chief Smith stated that the department is working on grants to offset cost of software through South Central Power, Shriners and Fire House Subs grant

Chief Smith needs approval to pay invoice for new fire helmets in the amount of \$ 1,746.50. Trustee Cotner made motion to approve the payment, seconded by Trustee Kosch

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes, Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0

Dawn said this was made in 2018 so Brad was not aware of this purchase.

Trustee Kosch asked how often turn out gear needs updated. Captain Smith said every 10 years and for the next 2 years, 10 to 16 sets will need replaced. We will be applying for grants thru FEMA and Fire House Subs to help off sett costs. Each set costs on average \$2500 to \$3000 for each fire fighter.

Chief Smith received a letter from Donald Chaples for his resignation effective today. Trustee Cotner made a motion to accept Mr. Chaples letter of resignation, seconded by Trustee Kosch.

ROLL CALL Cotner: yes, Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0

The State Fire Marshall will be present to make presentation for MARCS grant at the Fairfield County chiefs meeting. We will try and get the Eagle Gazette to come for this for some PR for the department.

Chief Smith stated that on March 30th from 4 pm to 7 pm the Fire Department will be hosting a spaghetti dinner for a Liberty Union 4th grader who has leukemia.

Chief Smith stated we need to purchase software for the firehouse to do inspections. We had been using Google but it is not working out. We have spoken to 4 different vendors. Streamline is the software we have decided to

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go with and hopefully we will get some grants to help pay for this. Our fire department does about 200 or more inspections of businesses. Motion to approve purchase of Streamline made by Trustee Cotner, seconded by Trustee Kosch.

ROLL CALL Cotner: yes, Kosch: yes. Motion Passed 2-0

ROAD AND CEMETERY DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Tom said he has not has not heard anything back from the EPA grant that he applied for.

We will need to get a couple loads of cold mix for patching.

Tom said he has to take the balance of the winter salt allotment which is about 200 tons. There might be a waiting period because he heard the mine collapsed under Lake Erie.

Trustee Cotner asked about the hidden driveway sign on Election House Road. Tom said he has to put it up. Trustee Cotner asked him to get it up.

Trustee Kosch said he noticed when he went out to put up the high water & road closed signs; they are in pretty bad shape and asked if we had a better set. Tom said that is the good set. It was decided they are readable, functional and are reflective so we will keep using them as people keep driving over them.

FROM THE TRUSTEES

Fiscal Officer Wyne asked if any of the trustees were planning on attending the March 19th zoning commission meeting as the members need to be sworn in. Trustee Cotner stated he will attend and swear them in.

Trustee Kosch asked Kevin if he had heard anymore about software for zoning. Kevin stated just the 2 quotes. Trustee Kosch asked him to bring them to the next trustee meeting with his recommendation so they can make a decision on this. Tom asked if Softworks carried a zoning program and Trustee Kosch asked Kevin to check with them also.

Trustee Kosch asked Tom if he had heard any more about getting us on GIS program. Tom said no

Trustee Cotner apologized to the attendees of the meeting for it getting out of hand and told them that's not usually the way our meetings go.

Trustee Cotner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Kosch.

ROLL CALL: Cotner: yes, Kosch: yes: Motion Passed 2-0

Business concluded; meeting adjourned at 3:49 pm.