

July 9, 2024

Salem Township Trustees - At the Salem Township Conference Room

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The Salem Township Board of Trustees met on July 9, 2024 in regular session at the Salem Township Fire Station Conference Room for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. Trustee Susan Ramsey called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with Trustee Heath Kilburn and Trustee Ralph Blanton present. Mrs. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge to the flag.

Meeting Minutes:

- The trustees read the minutes from the June 25, 2024 meeting. Mrs. Kilburn made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

Fire Department: Fire Chief Harrison reported:

- Would like to offer a part-time firefighter position to Ryan Dalton pending successful completion of our physical agility test and a pre-employment physical exam. Mrs. Ramsey made a motion to offer a part-time firefighter position to Ryan Dalton pending successful completion of our physical agility test and a pre-employment physical exam. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

- Insurance Renewal – Quotes came in for 2024-2025: OTAMRA (who we currently have) \$45,701.26 and Ohio Plan \$33,009.00. Chief Harrison that both plans are very different. Chief Harrison suggest that we request a special meeting and invite both representatives to the meeting to explain their plans. Mr. Kilburn made a motion to table the insurance renewal which is due 07/28/2024 and schedule a special meeting on 07/16/2024 at 7pm for the purpose of reviewing insurance renewal due to the deadline. Mrs. Ramsey second the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

- Mr. Blanton asked if the new tanker is in use. Chief Harrison replied they are doing drivers training on the new tanker. It's a lot different than the old one.

Guest: Greg Gatman and Ron Brinkman

- Mr. Ron Brinkman asked if there has been any feedback from the meetings for the new Library. Mr. Kilburn stated that his opinion is that we want it to stay in Salem Township and hopefully in the Morrow Plaza. Everyone agreed.
- Mr. Ron Brinkman also asked if the Township had any interest in the land auction coming up on 22/3 of 150 acres. Mr. Blanton stated he heard it will be going in the Millions. In his opinion the township does not have any interest in the property. Everyone agreed.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Mike Yetter reported:

- Three new permits came in
- 6324 Morrow Rossburg – reported high grass. Will send letter
- 7551 Woodward Claypool – Applied for a variance for a mechanical garage and it was denied. Neighbors are calling in and complaining again. Will send letter
- 6349 22/3 – Morris Property – Sold property to family – may have to start clean-up process all over again. Will contact legal counsel for directions on what to do next.
- 4063 Washington Way – complaints about chickens. Will send letter.

Trustee Susan Ramsey reported:

- Asked Trustee Blanton if we took care of the mailbox at 5881 Lake Rd. He reported that the home owner took care of it and did not want reimbursed.

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Trustee Heath Kilburn reported:

- Looked into a grant for the cemetery through OTA. Max amount awarded is \$2,500.00. Do not feel that is enough funds to cover the amount needed to cut down trees, remove stumps, etc. for the amount of paperwork that is involved. Everyone agreed.
- Road crew – We need 2 more loads of rock on Halls Creek. Mr. Blanton said he will add it to the road crews list.

Trustee Ralph Blanton reported:

- Anderson Rd. – Big limb came down and top of tree is splitting need to see if it's in the right of way.
- McIntyre – There is a big tree there that needs looked at as well. Chief Harrison suggest to contact WC Engineers office to use one of their trucks.
- Arm Mower is up and running – they had to put a new controller on it. Not sure if we will be invoiced or not.
- Shadow Lawn – Talked to Freeze and they are going to start in August and be done before school starts.
- Following up with Troy Gaddis regarding concrete work to be done.

Cemetery updates:

June 2024 Cemetery

06/28/24 Arch Morris Sec 5 Lot 11 SE Corner (Cremation) Family

Fiscal Business: Susan Ramsey on behalf of Vicky VonHolle, Fiscal Officer (absent)

- Presented Resolution 2024-06 Proposed budget for 2025. Mrs. Ramsey made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-06 Proposed Budget for 2025. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey - yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

- Presented payroll and bills that are ready for payment. Mr. Kilburn made a motion to approve the payroll and to pay the bills as presented. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey - yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

Adjournment:

- With no further business to come before the board, Mr. Kilburn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey - yea Mr. Kilburn – yea