



## ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 3, 2018

The Ross Township Board of Trustees met in regular session to transact the business for Ross Township.

### CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### ROLL CALL

Present – Keith Ballauer, Thomas E. Willsey and Ellen Yordy.

#### PROCEDURAL ACTION

##### Motion 18-060

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 24, 2018.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

##### Motion 18-061

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Ballauer, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 24, 2018.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Judy Huffman reported as of this date the township has on deposit \$3,459,571.24. She provided the Board with copies of the Bank Reconciliation Statement and the Cash Summary by Fund Report for April, 2018.

David Brown, representing the Butler County Auditor's Office announced that 765 cases have been filed with their Board of Revisions as a result of the Triennial update of property values; its street imaging project is underway and should be seen in Ross in late spring of 2018 and the Auditor is trying to change legislation to allow for Auditor's offices across the state to check the quality of gasoline at the pump.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Administration** – Administrator Bob Bass provided evidence of two nuisance properties for resolution consideration.

**Fire Department** – Chief Steve Miller presented the monthly report for April.

**Road Department** – Road Superintendent Paul Bulach had no report.

**Police Department** – Chief Darryl Haussler presented the monthly report for April, 2018.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Resident Joe Schuler of Ficus Court asked when the Board is considering moving Fire Station #1 to the Government Center. Trustee Willsey stated that the intent of the building's purchase was to move the Fire Department when the department could no longer fit its' equipment in Station #1 due to expansion and that no specific timeline has been set..

Ross Coalition member Janae Arno announced that as a result of the Police Department's Drug Take Back Day on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 66.2 pounds of pills and capsules were incinerated instead of ending in landfills.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

As directed at the last meeting, Administrator Bob Bass provided the Board with photos of the construction progress on US 27 regarding the Hendel Tree Service business. He also announced that as of May 1<sup>st</sup> no court date had been set for the case filed by the Prosecutor. Trustee Yordy stated that she would contact the Prosecutor to try to expedite the court case.

Trustee Willsey set the date of May 14<sup>th</sup> for the Board to meet to discuss the police levy. He also advised that as a result of his communication with MRAA, an email was sent to parents of soccer players using the fields next to the Road Department facility that stated that the portion of the facility used by the Road Department was off limits to parking and especially to children using it as a playground. Finally, he gave an account of the May 1<sup>st</sup> groundbreaking ceremony for the new Skyline restaurant on Hamilton Cleves Road.

Resulting from the previous meetings discussion regarding construction traffic on Township roads leading to the Venice Crossings subdivision, Trustee Yordy announced the County Engineer's attempt to set a meeting with the developer of to discuss the delay in setting a required bridge in the subdivision to keep construction traffic off of other Township roads.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Announcements**

Trustee Willsey announced the Township's Open House on May 20<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 4 pm at Fire Station #2 at 1308 Ross Millville Road (US 27).

### **Correspondence**

The Butler County Engineer's Office reports that Layhigh Road closed 0.5 mile southeast of Windy Knoll Drive and 0.6 mile northwest of School Road for a culvert replacement beginning Wednesday, May 2, 2018. The road is tentatively scheduled to reopen the week of May 7, 2018. **Detour:** Southeast bound Layhigh Road traffic will detour southwest on Hamilton New London Road and east on Ohio 126 to Layhigh. Northwest bound traffic will reverse this route.

### **Legislation**

**Purpose** - Earlier in the meeting, the Administrator provided evidence of nuisance violations to exist at 2364 Robin Avenue and 2221 Timberman Road. This resolution declares those properties to be a nuisance and orders their abatement.

#### **Resolution 2018-021**

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution declaring a nuisance for accumulated debris and/or excessive vegetation at 2364 Robin Avenue and 2221 Timberman Road.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

#### **Motion 18-063**

Upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Ballauer, the Board voted to approve the following voucher/warrants totaling \$60,911.84 and authorize payment:

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>PAYEE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
44769	A. E. DAVID COMPANY	\$662.85
44770	AIRGAS GREAT LAKES	\$101.02
44771	BILL SPADE ELECTRIC INC	\$922.00
44772	DELTA DENTAL	\$502.74
44773	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC	\$190.02
44774	ERNST CONCRETE	\$595.00
44775	FORTRESS SAFE & LOCK	\$5,610.25
44776	HAMILTON RENTAL CENTER	\$246.60
44777	HEALTH & SAFETY INSTITUTE	\$134.69
44778	KIESLER'S POLICE SUPPLY INC	\$861.00
44779	MELVIN STONE	\$331.28
44780	MIAMI VALLEY TOPSOIL LLC	\$275.03
44781	PAUL BULACH	\$44.75
44782	SRM CONCRETE	\$125.00
44783	STRYKER SALES CORPORATION	\$457.55
44784	TREASURER STATE OF OHIO	\$275.00
44785	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	\$61.00
44786	VISION SERVICE PLAN - (OH)	\$181.12

44787 WOODHULL LLC \$1,038.68  
44789 CHIEF STEVE MILLER \$92.50  
The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

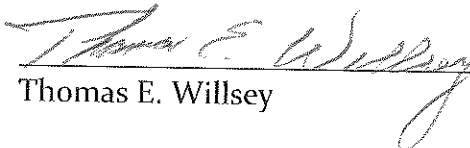
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There being no further business to come before the Board at the time; upon motion by Trustee Willsey and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Ross Township Board of Trustees will be held on May 17, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Ross Township Government Center.

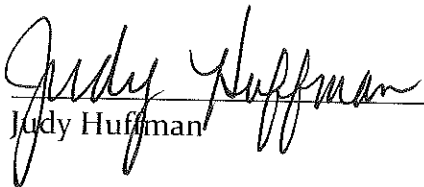
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Thomas E. Willsey President

  
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Ellen Yordy Vice President

  
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Keith Ballauer Trustee

**ATTEST:**

  
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Judy Huffman Fiscal Officer