



ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 17, 2019

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

CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

PROCEDURAL ACTION

Motion 19-011

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted to appoint Township Administrator, Robert Bass as the Acting Fiscal Officer for the purpose of taking minutes for this meeting.

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

Motion 19-012

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Ballauer, the Board voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 3, 2019.

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

Motion 19-013

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 3, 2019.

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administration – Bob Bass provided an explanation for a resolution to be considered as follows: *Personnel* - amends the Personnel Policy pertaining to vacations so that the units for 24-hour employee vacation time matched those of an 8-hour employee. The Administrator also provided updates on the 2042 Thrush nuisance and Hendel zoning violations. The Board decided that the declaration of a nuisance on Thrush would be held off until the second meeting in March provided that the family keep the Township informed of the progress of the property clean-up.

Fire Department – Chief Steve Miller presented the yearly report for 2018.

Road Department – Road Superintendent Paul Bulach provided an

explanation for a resolution to be considered as follows: *Road Repair Necessity* – declares the 2019 projects list to be performed through the Butler County Engineer’s Office to be a necessity; orders the design to move forward and commits the Township to the contractual expenses. The Superintendent also reported on the annual Township mileage certification; provided an up-date on the Fernbach driveway situation; and commendations from a resident for his staff.

Police Department – Acting Chief Jack Tremain presented the yearly report for 2018. The Acting Chief also reported on “Excellence in Investigation” commendations for Officer Brickles and Det. Johnson relating to the arrest of an individual who was vandalizing roadway signs by shooting them.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Layhigh Road resident Jerry Hilbert asked for the township’s assistance in determining the age of the Ross Post Office.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Announcements

Trustee Yordy announced an Economic Development Executive Session on January 21st at 5:00pm and the Annual Budget Meeting on January 23rd at 5:00pm; both at the Ross Township Government Center. She also announced the UDF Grand Opening on Saturday, January 26th at its new location at 2675 Cincinnati Brookville Road.

Correspondence

Butler County Engineer has sent an invitation to its annual township seminar on Thursday, Feb. 28th at the Butler County Engineer’s office. An RSVP is required for attendance to the 6:30 pm dinner and seminar. The Board was requested to RSVP to the Administrator.

Legislation

Purpose- This resolution declares the 2019 project list to be performed through the Butler County Engineer’s Office to be a necessity; orders the design to move forward and commits the Township to the contractual expenses. This resolution sets that policy.

Resolution 2019-006

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Ballauer, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution declaring a necessity for the repair, maintenance, reconstruction, resurfacing or improvement various roadways within Ross Township.

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

Purpose- To amend the Personnel Policy pertaining to vacations so that the units for 24-hour employee vacation time matched those of an 8-hour employee. The next resolution reflects that change.

Resolution 2019-007

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution amending Article 5, Section 5.03 Authorized Leave, Subsection (3) Vacation Leave of the Ross Township Personnel Policy.

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

Motion 19-014

Upon motion by Trustee Yordy and seconded by Trustee Ballauer, the Board voted to approve the following voucher/warrants totaling \$52,429.15 and authorize payment:

NUMBER	PAYEE / AMOUNT
45520	VERIZON WIRELESS \$467.66
45521	ADMINISTRATORS \$11,195.00
45522	A. E. DAVID COMPANY \$232.75
45523	AIRGAS GREAT LAKES \$685.70
45524	BUTLER COUNTY TREASURER \$796.35
45525	DUKE ENERGY \$1,231.69
45526	ELLEN W. YORDY \$97.31
45527	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC \$119.00
45528	LEADSONLINE \$2,128.00
45529	MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO \$14,148.95
45530	PAUL BULACH \$115.04
45531	ROSS HARDWARE \$87.59
45532	TIME WARNER CABLE \$6.69
45533	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE \$47.30
45534	TREASURER, STATE OF OHIO \$150.00
45535	UNIFIRST CORPORATION \$30.96
45536	WINELCO INC \$1,040.00
45537	CHIEF STEVE MILLER \$82.50
45538	RITA \$8.61
45539	BOB BASS \$1,112.57
45540	DUKE ENERGY \$2,239.88
45541	JACK TREMAIN \$433.50
45542	KENWOOD DEALER GROUP \$194.96
45543	KRISTEN L. GILLUM \$350.00
45544	LOWES BUSINESS ACCOUNT \$136.44
45545	MILLENNIUM BUSINESS SYSTEMS \$91.08
45546	OHIO FIRE & EMERGENCY SERV. FOUNDATION \$290.00
45547	ROSS AUTO PARTS \$886.40
45548	ROSS OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH \$346.00

45549 SOUTHWEST REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT \$217.04
 45550 SURDYKE, DOWD & TURNER CO., LPA \$157.50
 45551 TIME WARNER CABLE \$337.38
 45552 BURNHAM & FLOWER GROUP \$8,996.00
 45553 BUTLER CO. CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOCIATION \$175.00
 45554 MATHESON TRI-GAS INC \$78.15
 45555 UNIFIRST CORPORATION \$30.50
 45556 WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERV \$190.00
 45557 PENN CARE \$53.22
 45558 TIME WARNER CABLE \$109.98
 45559 AMERIGAS \$852.87
 45560 BENISTAR/HARTFORD - 6795 \$957.34
 45561 SRM CONCRETE \$400.00
 45562 STAPLES ADVANTAGE \$405.85
 45563 RUMPKE \$351.04
 45564 AMERIGAS \$170.39
 45565 NORTHGATE FORD LINCOLN MERCURY INC \$194.96

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

Motion 19-015

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

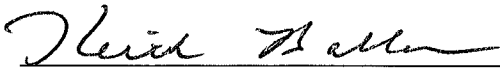
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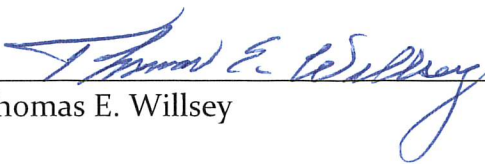
The next regular meeting of the Ross Township Board of Trustees will be held on February 7, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the Ross Township Government Center.

Special meetings of the Ross Township Board of Trustees will be held on January 21, 2019 at 5:00 pm to discuss Economic Development and on January 23, 2019 at 5:00 pm to discuss the 2019 Appropriations Budget. Both meetings will be held at the Ross Township Government Center.

ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES


 Ellen Yordy _____ President


 Keith Ballauer _____ Vice President


Thomas E. Willsey Trustee

ATTEST:


Judy Huffman Fiscal Officer