

The regular session of the Washington Township Trustees

at the Township Hall, Lewistown, Monday, November 12, 2018 at 6:30 PM

The Washington Township Trustees met in regular session on November 12, 2018 at 6:30 PM at the township hall with Trustees Rick Beck, Tucker Berg and Jason Faulder present. Also present were: Fiscal Officer, Lisa Miller, Zoning Inspector Gary Bias, and Police Chief Rick Core. Others Present: Sharon DeVault, Sharon Klahr, Carlotta & Butch Jones, Pam Rogers, Melissa Miller, Ellie Mouser, David Wallace, Dave Rogers, Don Lewis, John Coleman, Butch & Cheryl Dilbone.

The meeting was opened by Trustee Beck with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Fiscal Officer, Lisa Miller read the roll call – Trustee Beck, Trustee Berg, Trustee Faulder, Chief Core, Gary Bias were present; absent was Road Supervisor, John Newland. Trustee Faulder made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 8, 2018 regular meeting and accept them as written. Trustee Berg seconded the motion. All answered “Aye” – motion passed 3-0.

**Financial Obligations** - The Fiscal Officer presented financial obligations to the trustees. Trustee Faulder made a motion to pay all financial obligations. Trustee Berg seconded the motion and all answered “Aye” – motion passed 3-0.

**Financial Reports** - the Fiscal Officer also presented the Trustees for the period of 10/1/2018 -10/31/2018 a Fund Status Report, Receipt Register, Appropriation Status, Revenue Status, Payment Register, and Bank Reconciliation for their review and signatures. Trustee Faulder made a motion to approve the financial reports. Trustee Berg seconded the motion and all answered “Aye” - motion passed 3-0.

#### **Fiscal Officer Report** – Lisa Miller

- **Fund Status Balance** as of 10/31/2018 is \$1,193,690.88. The Township has received 83.49% (\$538,937.45) of the anticipated \$645,544.57 in revenue with two months remaining. We have not yet received \$75,609.52 in OPWC monies from the Logan County Engineer’s office. Once received, our revenue status will meet or exceed the estimated revenue for FY2018.
- **Resolution 2018-010** – to increase expected revenue and make additional appropriations for the Police Department for FY2018 due to an increase in donations and in fees collected from Criminal Court Cases.

#### **Police Department** – Chief Rick Core

- **Calls for Service** – there were 282 CFS with drugs dominating most of what we do.
- **Neighborhood Watch** -I need your help to keep your eyes on your neighbors. Significant activity at Midway and North Side and a shed in Five Parks a (threw a rock threw a sliding glass door). This is the season for that. Please call I would rather come out and it be nothing than to not be called at all. Pam: The little garage in Five Parks. Guy told us that his camera didn't work as the batteries went dead. Chief Core: That's true - the last time it worked was in 2017. Pam: He said there was a boot print outside the door. Chief Core: There was a scuffmark, but a partial boot print won't narrow things down for me. I looked for prints - didn't find any. Melissa: This wasn't the first time, right? Chief Core: No, the third time. Pam: It was said that the person who called it in didn't live in our neighborhood. Isn't that odd? Chief Core: I don't count anything out. Pam: Her children are known thieves. I have turned on my big light on our garage. And bought a solar light for the older people that live behind us. Chief Core: Be vigilant and watch the people around you. Pam: Mrs. True is 83 and she doesn't pay attention to what's going on. There is so much noise from across the road - she wouldn't know what she was hearing.
- **Levy Support** – I definitely want to thank everyone for their support of the levy. Very humbling and grateful to have your support. We wouldn't exist without you! Words can't describe how thankful we are. We will keep things growing and running due to your generous support. Trust me – we had a happy bunch of fellows on Tuesday night. A special thanks to Pirate's Cove Bill Simms and Fred Borden for all of their hard work and efforts in getting information out to the public regarding the levy for the Police Department – couldn't possibly thank them enough!
  - Don Lewis: Plans? Chief Core: The first change that passage will allow is one officer on full time duty between 7:30-3:30 every day. That combined with school emergency response plan, door barricade that was implemented, and an officer during peak hours. Don: School Resource Officer? Chief Core: IL is only school in the county that doesn't have a resource officer. Trustee Beck: Is the other two districts paid 100% by the school? Chief Core: Three of them Bellefontaine, Riverside, and Ben Logan are all paid 100% by the school. And, Bellefontaine has three resource officers. Indian Lake is the only one who does not have a school resource officer. Washington Township's dedicated officer is not just for the schools.
- **Thank you's**- I would like to thank Mr. Beck - he fixed our lights on the cruisers. He fixed it all. He's done that forever. We genuinely appreciate his help.
- **Issue 1 failed** – thank you again to voters. That would have been devastating to this community. If you're a felony 5 offender, you could cross our path 5 times before you go to jail. People think of drugs differently than I do. If I could eradicate the drugs, we would have no burglary, majority have to steal to support that habit. It's an erosion of the community. Again, I appreciate voter's wisdom in defeating that issue.

#### **Zoning – Gary Bias**

- 75 calls last month and 8 zoning permits written (one demo, five buildings, one HTM, and one deck)
- ZAB approved gas station at Tinsley's and the covered deck/shed in Lewistown.
- ZCB – Trustees signed resolution tonight
- LUC will be printing new maps for Lewistown
- Sent out follow-ups on a few zoning resolutions. Have talked to Howard Traul about survey on Walnut. Not approving it until he fills paperwork.
- Talked to Eric Stewart about Mingo way dispute and advised to tell them it doesn't involve zoning.

#### **Road Department** - Trustee Rick Beck

- Finished up culverts on 215 (blacktopped those in) to fill road cuts
- 207 did not contract with berm material; Jack to finish up tonight.
- Mowers off the tractors, cleaned the garage out.
- We got the snow plows out to get them ready for winter
- Was back towards Sharron house to watch them take a couple trees down.
- Sharron: had one branch from that tree land on my truck - not recently. Trustee Beck: We'll get it trimmed and take it down.
- When I left, John was cleaning things up.
- Front tires on the 350 are balding. He called R&R and can get the tires for \$405.65 - all agreed to get it done.

#### **LUC Board** –Trustee Berg

- ODOT reports - finish culverts and crack sealing for the year.
- Making headway on building. Met with prosecutor in September sent a letter to purchaser to finish the sale or they will put it back out for bids. Looks like Reliant Mechanical is who is buying it, to make another branch right there.
- Annual dinner is November 15, 2018 at conference center at 6:30.

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**EMS Board – Trustee Faulder**

- 2016 audit had a little hiccup. Dave Rogers compiled some things for that and Mike found all issues so the 2016 audit is favorable.
- Construction underway at the new building
- I had a couple meetings last month working on Health Insurance - more coverage with less premiums
- Gary Bias is the project lead for the EMS building and he is doing a fantastic job. Has been a tremendous help.

**Fire Board – Trustee Beck**

- Steve Spath – reported running behind new truck. Company to pay \$200/day. Lisa: 120 days behind right now, so if delivery isn't until March they will be paying \$200/day for 270 days? Trustee Beck: Yes, but I need to look into that and make sure we're stable on both ends of that. Gibby is going up to inspect the chassis and then it will be shipped to the company that is holding them. They are having problems getting parts (ladder, etc.).
- Three new guys - can't believe what it costs to get them into apparatus - \$1500-\$3000. We lost one but gained three. Gibby is pretty much doing this full time now since he left Fire Safety and is there during the day. Don: Finances are good? Trustee Beck: Yes

**Old Business – Trustees**

None

**New Business - Trustees**

- Tree limb trimming on 211. Trustee Beck: We'll be going down there after transition on the trucks. On Thursdays we usually make a trip to check them places. There's places in Five Parks so buses, garbage trucks, etc.. an incident back there where new fire truck hit a limb. Somewhere back there are some low branches. I can only say that truck has more than paid for itself. Dave: What do you do with the branches? Trustee Beck: We chip them. Dave: Looking for a way to get rid of our stuff. Trustee Beck: Are they chipped? Dave: Place in Sidney rent/buy 40 yards dumpster. Trustee Beck: The chips I would take back at my place - I take leaves, branches, if you want to dump those on me - I can till them under and disk it. Makes the best garden ever. I took in 6-8 truckloads so far.....just the leaves.
- Chief Core: Law Enforcement are exposed to fentanyl. The Logan County Health Dept. donated Hazmat suits so if we think we will be exposed to it, we have them to use and appreciate this donation from the Health Dept.
- Fiscal Office Miller: We participate in sharing the cost of two tornado sirens. One we share with Richland Township and we split the electric and repair which this year was \$450. The other is on CR 91 and we share costs for that siren with IL Schools. They pay the electric and we share in cost of maintenance and repair. Three years ago we paid for a repair and last month IL Schools paid for the repair. Normally, repairs run from \$450 - \$900 every 3-4 years.

**Public Comments**

- There is a home at Woodlawn / Crescent - pink one. Can Logan County Land Bank take care of it? Gary: Not at the present time, we can't. They have more condemned structures inside the city limits in Bellefontaine that they want to take care of so no funds available for demolition of condemned structures in townships / villages.

With no further business to come before the group, Trustee Faulder made a motion to adjourn at 7:21 PM. Trustee Berg seconded. All answered "Aye". Motion carried 3-0. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Hall.

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Lisa A. Miller, Fiscal Officer

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Rick Beck, Chairman

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Tucker Berg, Vice Chairman

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Jason Faulder, Member