

Randolph Township Regular Meeting Thursday, February 28, 2008

08-49 Chairman Lang opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. with the pledge. Lang asked if there were any corrections to the minutes they reviewed. Roger moved to accept the previous minutes. Gary seconded. RCV - 3 yes. (Present Trustees Mike Lang, Gary Horning, Roger Klodt, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, F. Rodenbucher, J. Presley, G. Harrison, M. Perry, D. Hluch, B. Fox, D. Guziak, L. Klodt, B. Siegferth, B. Carter.)

08-50 Mike had some second thoughts on the recorded meetings on the internet and thinks we should put them on the internet. Roger also agreed. Another resident in town listens to them. If someone wants this info as public record can be requested. Gary feels that the audio doesn't paint a true picture without the visual motions. He suggested we revisit this issue if things are being misinterpreted in the future. The meetings are open and open to all. Mike moved to record our meetings and place the recordings on the website. Roger seconded. RCV - 3 yes

### Old Business

08-51 Roger has been in contact with the state auditor regarding the records policy update. He is waiting for more information regarding a listing from the state. Regarding the property disposal policy – State of Oh requires an internet auction be on for 15 days. E-bay standard auction is 10 days. Roger requested information from E-bay on length of auctions for those in our situation. A neighbor at the school park caught the young man who was responsible for a second turfing incident and informed Roger. Roger contacted the sheriff to file another report. He wants to file charges to discourage further damage. Roger suggested a sign stating that damage to property is a felony and include ORC wording and that charges will be filed. He will look into it and get info for the next meeting. Roger received one quote from Carol's ChemDry for the SC/CC carpet maintenance. A second quote should be coming tomorrow. He will update at the next meeting. Roger received some sewer questions from residents. He spoke to Jeff Lonzrick and all the contractors have been given notice to proceed. They are waiting for weather to break to get started. He spoke about Melanie Perry's group meeting last week. They want confirmation that the trustees are on board with the improvements for the township. Gary stated it is good for community development and wants to work together. Roger moved to support the activities of Melanie Perry and her group with the installation of a playground and upgrading the baseball fields in Randolph Township with the understanding that all equipment installed will become the property of Randolph Township. Gary seconded. RCV - 3 yes

Gary requested thoughts on filling the position of township administrator. Roger is not ready to do anything about this yet. Feels that the pay and benefits he receives as trustee, he can research his own projects. He has asked Dan to research a few things and received good feedback. Mike agrees with Roger and feels that we should wait. If there is an issue, the trustees can kick in and do a bit more. Gary feels that the past two years have been utilized with an administrator. He doesn't have time to research all the items he would like to address this year. It was agreed to keep it in mind for future consideration.

Mike reported on the status of the Atwater FD. We are preparing a time statement for them for reimbursement. Atwater FD will hopefully be on their own within a month.

### New Business

08-52 Roger stated that Erin Myrta's term on the Zoning Board expires tomorrow. He spoke with her and she is willing to serve another five year term. Roger moved to reappoint Erin to the Zoning Board with her new term expiring February 28, 2013. Mike seconded. RCV - 3 yes

Roger noticed that Kevin Warner has a house and the former Horning Trucking complex for sale. Are we interested in either property? New cold storage building needs built, but maybe we should consider the trucking complex. Gary and Mike both feel we should look into it. Roger will set up a time to meet with Kevin. Roger spoke to other townships regarding the Vera

Gatchall grant workshop. She charges a flat fee of \$450 plus 3% of the grant up to a maximum of \$3,000. She is willing to come to a meeting with a presentation. Gary feels this is worth looking into.

Gary stated that the Beverly Sanctuary tree trimming and removal will take place soon. He thinks we should look into cutting some trees in sanctuary to open it up more. The timber could be used to build a bridge to access the back of the park. He's thinking of a Community Betterment walking club started at the school park. Gary shared thoughts on future projects at the school park: spring planting; water and electric; gazebo/shelter; suggested the need for a concrete area for seating which could double as skating rink in winter. Gary suggested working on signs for distances and diagrams of the walking track.

Mike reported that 2211 (newer squad) was sent for repair for possible transmission failure. It is under warranty. He would like to discuss Regional Planning upping their fees. Roger feels that they provide a good service, but does not like how it has been presented (mandatory increase without public input).

Mary presented the trustees with correspondence for their review. She asked that they sign the copy request for items they would like copied. Mary attended the Portage County Township Association dinner and presented information given at that meeting. The carpets were cleaned in the administration building by Carol's ChemDry and they look great. We can be placed on a 6 month maintenance program if we are interested.

The January bank reconciliation was given to the trustees last week. Are there any questions?

08-53 Mike moved to accept the January bank reconciliation. Roger seconded. RCV – 3 yes.

The EMT fund is running low. Levy money is expected to come in toward end of March. She recommends an advance from the General Fund to the EMT fund for \$15,000, to be paid back when they receive the money. Mike moved to advance the necessary funds. Roger seconded.

08-54 RCV – 3 yes.

We need Supplemental Appropriations of the Works' Comp funds in Road and EMT - \$500 each within each fund from salaries. Mike moved to approve the Supplemental Appropriations. Roger

08-55 seconded. RCV – 3 yes.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 18 – 42 totaling \$104,456.15 and pay warrants

08-56 28762 – 28830 totaling \$49,703.04. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV – 3 yes.

Larry gave the road report. They have been plowing/and salting roads. F450 repaired due to a safety recall at Jenior's. The tires for the new truck were purchased as approved at the last meeting. They are working on finishing the administration building renovations. He recommends that the kitchen be painted. Cemetery – 1 Funeral; YTD - 3. The new truck should be ready in a few weeks. He doesn't want to take out in the snow this year. He feels it is better to get a feel for the truck first.

Dan presented the zoning report. One accessory building permit. Dan sent a letter to Mr. Trickett. The prosecutor will follow up. Dan would like to know if he is to work on the township newsletter. Roger and Mike agree that he would do a good job. Dan spoke with Chuck Breiding regarding the tile floor in the SC/CC. Chuck's stated that not enough adhesive was used and moisture got in. He suggested overlaying the existing floor with a solid sheet material. Dan is waiting for more information. Roger feels that this needs to be addressed.

Melanie noticed some severe stains on the CC side. She stated that in her plan for the school park she has someone lined up to do the water and electric work. She stated that the foundation meetings are scheduled for the first and third Fridays of the month. Fundraising will be discussed at the next meeting.

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Barb Fox stated that spring soccer is scheduled to begin April 15. Will the league need to work on the fields? Roger stated that his intent is to have a landscaping company come out and give an estimate. He hopes insurance will be involved, but the individual is responsible for repairs. She offered that whatever needs done they are willing to help.

Betty questioned the reading of minutes. Mike explained that more time was needed for the items to be addressed this evening. We will resume reading the minutes at the next meeting.

Dale Hluch spoke to Regional Planning about getting a grant to remove slum/blight (old feed mill). He feels that it would benefit both him and the community. Mike presented his thoughts that it is not feasible to burn the mill due to the great liability regarding the close proximity of other buildings and EPA approval.

Gary Harrison shared that the Atwater Lions will host a benefit Euchre Tournament on March 9, 2008 to benefit the Food Shelf. There has been big increase for assistance.

Bill asked if the contractors will come back and fill in the areas where settling occurred due to sewer installations. Mike doesn't know – can't answer that. Larry thought it was to be done in a year. Bill had a few questions that he asked previously – Mike stated that the medical benefits will stand as approved. Bill stated that if you don't have time to do your job, don't run. Gary feels that comment is derogatory to himself. He spends much time doing work for the community.

Gary reported on the temporary lighting for the recycle center. Martell Electric gave a quote of \$890. Gary would like to fix the existing light on the pole and reevaluate the lighting situation in the spring.

Mike stated that Waterloo School is asking for support of a levy on March 4.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

