

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, December 11, 2008

Trustee Mike Lang opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00 a.m. Fiscal Officer Mary Rodenbucher read the minutes from the previous meeting. Roger moved to
08-203 accept the previous minutes. Gary seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary - yes; Roger – yes. (Present: Trustees Mike Lang, Gary Horning, Roger Klodt, Fiscal Officer Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. McKay, B. Carter M. Kehrer, T. Manion.)

Old Business

Roger spoke about the position of fire chief. He would like to keep the position in house. Roger recommended we advertise the position at the fire station for a time to be determined and accept resumes. Gary agrees. Gary feels we need to decide what direction we are going, full-time or part-time, in regards to long term planning for the township. Roger made a motion advertise the position of fire chief in house and to accept applications due by December 24, 2008. Gary seconded.
08-204 RCV: Mike – abstain; Gary – yes; Roger - yes.

Last meeting we talked about getting cots for the SC/CC for emergency situations. Roger spoke with Jon Barber from Homeland Security. Roger was informed that our Town Hall is listed as the emergency place for Randolph. Roger suggested that the SC/CC may be more accessible. Roger is to receive a packet with more information.

Roger has been working on a list of active duty military people from our township. He has received information regarding six residents. Roger called the army recruiter's office who suggested contacting the USO. Roger spoke with Jean Soley, program manager, and received suggestions about what to send. It would cost about \$30-40 per person to mail a care package. The program is funded by donations. Chris Meduri stated we can donate to a non-profit organization. Roger suggested donation of \$250 with names of our residents to send a package to let them know we are thinking of them. Mike feels this is a good idea. Roger moved to donate \$250 to the USO. Gary
08-205 seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Gary reported that Portage County Regional Planning hired an executive director who will start in February with a probationary period of six months. Gary asked about the fire station roof. Mike stated that Frank has not gotten back to him.

Mike presented the fire report. November EMS – 27; Fire – 5; MVC – 5; Inc. – 0 for a monthly total of 37 and a year to date total of 523. The new fire truck is on schedule to be delivered in March. We received the contract for dispatching service from Stow. Chris Meduri has reviewed and approved the contract. Mike suggested waiting until after the Portage County Commissioners informal meeting on central dispatch on December 22 to make a decision.

New Business

Roger was approached by a few employees who would like to have their paychecks before the December 31 meeting. Roger suggested a meeting for check signing on
08-206 December 24 at 7:00 a.m. Gary seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Roger received an e-mail about Martin's Clerk Assistance. He feels it would be a good investment with a wealth of information. Roger moved to sign up for one year
08-207 of service for \$150. Gary seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Gary received a call from Davey Tree about working on trees that need to be removed. He received a quote of \$864 per day. Roger feels we need to be proactive with this issue. Gary suggested that we try a few days and go from there. Gary moved to try Davey Tree for two days, up to \$2000, to do tree work in the township. Roger seconded. Discussion: Mike asked if any areas have been identified. Gary and Larry

will evaluate the areas that need immediate attention. Len feels this is a good idea and asked if the Lion's Club could have the wood if it is not spoken for. Gary will talk to
08-208 Len later about this matter. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Gary and Roger have been working on getting information out to our senior citizens about the sewer discount and funds that are available. It was suggested to send an invitation to everyone on SR 44 inviting them to a meeting in January. Gary suggested a meeting on Wednesday, January 7 at 4:00 p.m. Mike asked Dan to come up with a list to take attendance. Roger will look into this. Mike moved to hold an informational meeting on sewer hook up on Wednesday, January 7 at 4:00 p.m. in the
08-209 Town Hall. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mike stated we need to appoint two people to the RFD indemnity board. Mike moved to appoint Dan Kolasky and Gary Harrison. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes;
08-110 Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mike reviewed the items in the storage building and feels that the fire items should be discarded.

Mary received a request from Donna Yoder to receive her pay this week instead of the end of the month. No one had any objection to this request.

Mary received a request from Diane Bunker to receive payment for her unused vacation days and a request from Dan Kolasky to carry over one week of vacation to next year. Mike moved to accept these requests. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes;
08-111 Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary received information about the dental insurance premium from Delta Dental. The proposed increase is locked in for 2009. Mike so moved to accept the new dental
08-112 insurance premiums. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary placed the November bank reconciliation statement in the trustee's mailboxes last week. She asked if there were any questions. Roger moved to accept the November bank reconciliation statement. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes;
08-113 Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary stated that we received a letter from the Randolph Fair asking we would like to purchase an ad in the fair premium book as we have in the past. Mike moved to purchase an ad in the Randolph Fair premium book for \$70. Roger seconded.
08-114 RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary presented information that Mark Griffiths forwarded which was a sample of the contracts used for bidding equipment and/or services used in Stark County.

The OTA conference is February 4 – 7 in Columbus. The registration deadline is January 22, 2009. Mike moved to pay travel expenses for any elected officials who
08-115 wish to attend. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary stated that February 1 is Township Day. It has always been a conflict with the conference. It might be nice to plan something to promote our township.

Mary was contacted by Portage Salt regarding our water coolers. They sell reconditioned water coolers for \$55 with a one year warranty. The bottled water cost would be \$4.85 - \$5.75 depending on the quantity ordered. Mary left a message with Culligan to check on prices.

Mary requested a motion for supplemental appropriations for operating supplies in the Road and EMS funds. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes;
08-116 Gary – yes; Roger - yes

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 243 – 250 totaling \$5,407.25 and pay warrants 29615 – 29670 and EFTs 428 – 431 totaling \$36,759.65. Mike so moved.
08-117 Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Dan presented the zoning report. One permit for an accessory building was issued. Roger stated he noted a realtor sign on the Duffy property. Dan spoke to the realtor expressing our concern about the property.

Public Comment

Len was asked to speak on behalf on the ball teams. Troy Manion, president of Randolph Baseball, would like to place lights at Moyer Fields. He is able to obtain free 60 foot poles. These poles cost approximated \$1,600 - \$1,700 each. Mark Kehrer provided information on lighting. The ball field has been contacted to rent our fields for tournaments. They are working on getting everything donated with minimal cost to the township. Troy stated that the main goal right now is obtaining the poles. Gary feels we need a game plan. His concern is the long term maintenance. They will have drawing with a cost estimate soon. Mike asked about the window of opportunity for obtaining the poles. Troy stated we are on standby. Mike feels we should get the poles. Len stated that Stan W from East Mfg. is willing to help. Mike moved to support the acquisition of the poles to be used for lighting purposes. Roger seconded.
08-118 RCV: Mike – yes; Gary - yes; Roger – yes.

Len stated that the Lions Club has cleaned out the shed except for the grills used for the pancake breakfasts. He thanked everyone for their help with the gazebo lighting. Len asked if there were any restrictions for notices on the sign at the school park. There are no restrictions. Gary suggested looking into signs welcoming travelers to Randolph Township.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 a.m.

Michael Long
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