

Randolph Township Trustee Meeting Thursday, July 24, 2008

08-143 Trustee Mike Lang opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:30 p.m. Fiscal Officer Mary Rodenbucher read the minutes from the previous meeting. Roger moved 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, J. Jones, T. Baker, G. Klag, B. Murphy, B. Carter, D. Ebner, G. Harrison, D. Guziak, L. Klodt)

Judy Jones spoke about her campaign for State Representative. Her major concern is the tax rate for businesses. She feels that is the reason we are losing business in our local area and in the state. School funding is at an all time high, but we are not seeing the money for our students. There is not a definitive plan in Gov. Strickland's budget. Our unemployment rate is higher than the national rate. We need to lower taxes for the employer so he is able to create more jobs. We need more average people running our government than long time politicians. Only the voter can make a difference.

Don Ebner presented information on Aflac. Aflac is a supplemental insurance paid by the employee. Employee pays for the benefits through pre-tax dollars, which saves the township money. Aflac pays the supplemental benefit directly to the employee. Supplemental insurance can be used to pay for any extra expenses. A minimum of three people is needed for a group rates. Gary feels it is worth looking into and would like to review the information presented. Mike has it and likes it. Don will follow up for any questions or an employee presentation.

#### **Old Business**

Roger placed the sound panels around the room as a test only. Roger spoke with Ron Skibiski regarding the SC/CC parking lot. Roger thought we might want to wait until the sewer is done before doing any work. Mike feels we should begin with the back parking lot soon. Tony DiBona cut down the trees and will have the stumps taken out by the first meeting in August. The e-bay and PayPal accounts are set up. Dan has taken the pictures and Jasen is working on the ad. Charge backs from the health department lowered our cost to about \$3,600 by adding Aurora and Streetsboro.

Gary wanted to talk about the fire station roof. Mike will get together with Gary before the next meeting. There was discussion about the types of roofs.

Gary asked about the ODNR letter. Dan has mailed the letter. Gary stated that the shrubs at the Randolph School Park still need to be watered.

Mike reported that KME purchased the bond for the new truck. A meeting is scheduled for August 9 to finalize the details. Mike stated that he wants the parts separated before placing the pictures on e-bay. Mike asked about the status of the electric at the Randolph School Park. Gary stated that it was approved by the county but not hooked up. First Energy should have it hooked up within the next week. Mike and Roger spoke with Friendship Acres regarding the zoning violation. He will file an appeal.

#### **New Business**

Roger spoke with Dan Banks, Portage County Commissioners grants coordinator, regarding the study to evaluate the feasibility for a simple dispatch for emergency services. Mike thought the study was already in place.

Gary received approval of the contract for Alexander Road from Chris Meduri and also the notice to proceed. He will have the contract signed next week.

Mary stated that she received a phone call from Jason Matney regarding our medical insurance renewal. Our premium will increase by 9.01%. This is good as the average increase is 19%. Our

current premium is \$6,708.73. The new premium would be \$7,313.24. Jason asked if we still wanted to review other policies. It is not a problem, but she still needs a few applications.

Mary reviewed the bill for the trash service from Republic Waste. She made a call regarding a discrepancy in charges. The rep informed her that they didn't know why we were paying so much. Mary stated asked that with the trustee's approval she would engage in a new contract. The current price for the four yard container at the SC/CC center is \$243.36 with a new rate of \$105.00 and the two yard container at the administration building is \$374.62 with a new rate of \$85.00. Mike asked why the big difference. The only reason they could come up with is that the initial contract had a higher rate and it was never checked.

Mary received a letter from the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Liquor Control stating that all establishments that sell alcohol, the liquor permits will expire in October 1, 2008. Are there any objections to any of these places selling alcohol? No complaints were expressed. Mike stated we will review this issue again at a later date.

Mary stated that she received a phone call from a resident who was upset at the condition of the cemetery. The resident stated that trimming needs to be done and that a lot of grass is blown on the headstones. Mike will look into this with the fire department.

Mary placed the June bank reconciliation in the trustee's mailboxes for review. She asked if there were any questions. Roger moved to accept the June bank reconciliation. Mike seconded.

08-144 RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 143 – 152 totaling \$13,686.56 and pay warrants 29231 – 29284 totaling \$32,326.39. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary –

08-145 yes; Roger – yes.

Mary provided additional information regarding direct deposit. There will not be any additional charge. We should be ready to go with direct deposit for the next pay period.

Dan presented the zoning report. There were no permits or lot splits issued. He has been helping the road department. He has been working on the Trickett issue and the Marz issue. He provided minutes from the sewer meeting he attended. The ZBA will meet on August 18. Dan presented a resolution for a zoning violation against Terry Baker. Terry stated that he is working on it. It was corrected a year ago and has not gotten worse. He feels you have to really look for the problem. Gary stated if you are in compliance there is not a problem. Dan disagrees and feels a judge may need to get involved. Dan received complaints from the neighbors. Dan feels Terry has been given plenty of consideration. We have been dealing with this issue for many years. Mike asked Terry how long he thought it would take to get in compliance. Terry stated that he is working on it, but it will never be it to Dan's specifications. Dan stated the traditionally the neighbors do not want others to know that they have complained. Dan adamantly stated that he needs to take care of it. Terry asked the trustees what he needs to do. Mike suggested he should scrap out everything in front and everything behind the fence. There should be nothing parked in the front yard. Mike said he does not want to close any business, but he needs to be in compliance. Roger agreed that it is cluttered and he is willing to meet with him and figure out what needs to be done. Roger would like to table this until the next meeting. If it has not been addressed we will proceed with the resolution.

Gary presented the road report on behalf of Larry. Gary stated that the work on Alexander Road is quite extensive. Henry Luli is scheduled to begin the chip and seal work next week. Two crossover culverts were replaced on Trump Road last week. The parts for the mower came in and the repair should be completed by early next week. Dan Rodenbucher completed the necessary air conditioning repair on the backhoe.

#### **Public Comment**

George asked about the curbside recycling. Mike stated that it is a feasibility study.

Bob asked about moving the recycling containers. Roger stated that no matter how you move them it doesn't change. Bob asked that the can container only be moved. Roger will try to get those changed. Bob asked how the fair could put up the tacky sign at the center of town. Roger stated no one has come to the trustees.

Bill asked if the parks commission and community members will be involved in the planning for the Randolph School Park. Mike stated that all we have done is prepped it for electric and possible trenching for future use. Gary stated he met with the park commission two years ago. Bill stated that although the sound is better, it is still hard to hear.

Terry suggested opening the doors may help with the sound.

Gary reported on the Food Shelf raffle. The goal was to raise \$1000 and they raised \$1,002. He thanked everyone for their participation and to St. Joseph for allowing them to have a booth at the festival.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

