

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, November 13, 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 accept the previous
08-185 minutes. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes. (Present: Trustees Mike Lang, Gary Horning, Roger Klodt, Fiscal Officer Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. Klodt, B. Carter)

Old Business

Roger contacted AT&T regarding caller ID for the 1904 line at the fire station. The cost is \$7.30 for installation and \$10.50 per month for service. Mike expressed his views at the last meeting. He feels screening calls need to be dealt with at some time. Roger asked how often the line is used. Mike stated that the 1904 is not used that much. The emergency number 325-1212 or 911 is used for emergency assistance or patients just drive in. Mike stated that most people are geared to 911. Gary feels we should save the money if we do not need it. Roger recommends dropping this issue until the need arises in the future.

Roger stated that Dan found one recorder on the internet but it does not have a time stamp and does not record continuously. Roger also contacted Chris Meduri regarding the Hillegas and Marz issue. Chris stated we should absolutely not get involved with this issue. Mr. Hillegas needs to deal with this as a private nuisance. Roger feels we need to follow the recommendations of our legal counsel. Mike stated a formal letter from us, and possibly Chris Meduri, should be sent to Mr. Hillegas stating our position on this issue.

Roger wanted to talk about spill containment devices. Roger asked Larry to get the quotes together for the next meeting. Roger stated that we should keep the damage waiver with Miller & Company. Mike agrees. Roger moved to accept the new proposal from Miller & Company
08-186 concerning our portable toilets. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Gary asked about the fire station roof. Mike had a meeting with Frank Pavliga. He will come up with a preliminary estimate and drawing. Gary brought up the issue that the berm was not shot on Alexander Road. Larry stated that it was in previous proposals but not in the Alexander Road proposal. Larry received a quote from Henry Luli for \$4,680 and Shelly \$12,800. Gary made a motion to have H. Luli shoot the berm for \$4,680 on Alexander Road within the next two
08-187 weeks. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mike spoke about the sidewalk replacement and he is not happy with portions of the sidewalk replacement. Mike presented the FireTec catalog that the pumper will be in. Mike reported that Ravenna Township sent a letter stating that the proposed dispatching service increase was put on hold for further review. Mike stated that Stow has a regional dispatch and is very interested in acquiring our business. Stow presented a proposal of \$19,500 with 3% increases each year for dispatch service along with programming our present equipment. The benefit to Randolph Township is not only the savings on the dispatch service, but also the ability to utilize some of our older equipment. They also provide a “text page” to cell phones which saves purchasing new pagers. Stow agreed to absorb the cost of the transition, installation, and conversion of pagers. Mike feels we should seriously look into this service. He realizes that Ravenna Township needs the proposed increase to meet their needs, but our budget cannot handle this increase. Mike made a motion to accept the Stow dispatch service proposal contingent on contract review. Roger seconded. Discussion: Roger stated that Ravenna Township needs all the townships to keep the proposed rates. The rate could up if anyone pulls out. Gary agrees. He is not comfortable with the back and forth decision. Mike stated we need to move forward and be financially responsible. Mike stated that we have changed dispatch services in the past.
08-188 RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Randolph Fire Department roof repair patching is completed and good to go for the winter. There were no problems with the employee evaluation schedule.

New Business

Roger stated that the 1995 Kodiak dump truck sold on eBay for \$15,500. Dan had community service workers cleaning out the cold storage building. Roger would like to attempt to sell the unneeded fire items. Mike stated that much of the equipment is outdated and should be discarded for safety issues.

Gary stated that there may be a possible roof issue on the town hall. Gary reported that Regional Planning is in the process of hiring a new executive director. Gary asked if all the gutters have been cleaned. Mike stated that it has not been addressed. Larry cleaned all the gutters at the administration complex. Larry stated that the spouting on the back of the SC/CC and at the road garage should be replaced. Mike asked Larry to get estimates.

Mike asked about the ShredIt service. Gary thought that although the service is a good one, he does not feel we can justify the cost at this time.

08-189 Mary presented the new Working Partners contract for the drug and alcohol testing. Mike moved to accept the new contract with Working Partners. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary received a call from Mark Griffiths. He was the former Portage County EMA director and is now employed with Stark County. After reading the minutes on the website, he suggested that instead of purchasing equipment it might be a better idea to utilize an open ended contract for equipment needs. It can be renewed each year with a rate guarantee from various companies. Mary will get a sample form.

Mary attended the FEMA class. In talking with Chris Smieles, he told her about the excess office equipment and furniture from the commissioner's office located at the old nursing home. It is free to townships.

08-190 Mary placed the October bank reconciliation statement in the trustees' mailboxes. She asked if there were any questions. Roger moved to accept the October bank reconciliation statement. Gary seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

08-191 Mary requested a motion for supplemental appropriations for Operating Supplies and Repair and Maintenance in the Road fund, Operating Supplies in the general fund, and Payroll Taxes in the fire fund. Mike so moved. Roger seconded; RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

08-192 Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 217 – 231 totaling \$38,429.71 and pay warrants 29527 – 29569 and EFTs 410 – 414 totaling \$43,075.76. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Gary – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry presented the road report. Larry received a call from a resident on Alexander Road where the crossover pipe was replaced. They requested that the dirt be leveled. Larry feels a small dozer would be better than the backhoe. Larry contacted Mike Wells and received a quote of \$450. Gary feels this is not the right time of year and it would be better to wait until spring. Larry will discuss this with the resident. They installed a catch basin and driveway pipe on Aberagg Road along with an earthen barrier to keep road water from eroding the resident's property. A farm field access drive was installed on Alexander Road. They moved the ditch line back at the intersection of Unger and Industry roads. They worked on tree clean up at the school park. They are still mowing. The grader needs brakes. Larry will work on replacing the cylinders. There were two funerals with a year to date total of 19.

Dan presented the zoning report. A few permits were issued. There was one lot split. The sewer plant is completed. Roger asked Dan to contact Water Resources for additional information on discounts for senior citizens.

Gary received a call about Scott Burkley on Alexander Road about four-wheeler noise. Dan will send a letter about the noise issue.

Public Comment

Bill asked what amount the aluminum cans brought. Mary stated that about \$1,200 was received. Mike reminded everyone that the next meeting is on November 26 at 7:00 a.m.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 a.m.

Michelle Lang
Mary A. Kokenbuecher