

CLAY TOWNSHIP

Board of Trustees Meeting

November 21, 2016

The regular meeting of Clay Township Trustees was called to order by Trustee President Dale Winner at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and a moment of silence was observed for our veterans, first responders serving our community and country and prayers for safe travels in the upcoming holiday season.

Roll call: Mr. Vore, present, Mr. Woolf, present Mr. Winner, present

Trustee Winner moved to approve the minutes from the November 7, 2016 trustee meeting, seconded by Trustee Woolf.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

Hearing from the Public:

Phillipsburg Mayor, Cheryl Crabtree, expressed concern with the funding of Fire/EMS services being provided and shared the possibility of splitting taxing districts to help fund the Phillipsburg Fire Department. The splitting would allow residents they serve provide additional funds rather than the current arrangement where the three districts share all proceeds proportionately. Trustee Woolf indicated the Township is still waiting on the study being done as to recommendations, etc. for treatment of the Clay Township's Fire and EMS needs. Everyone acknowledges the need for more money for all the districts with more regulations, demand and keeping equipment current and each district is different. Trustee Winner agreed that we need to wait to see what the study results are before action is taken. The possibility of splitting taxing district was one of the items that is to be addressed. Trustee Vore commented that he received comments from the residents throughout the year and the splitting of the districts would allow each district to address their specific needs...if the levies pass. This situation will need the cooperation of all districts once we see what the recommendations of the study are. Trustee Woolf indicated that May would be the earliest to get anything on the ballot assuming we get the study back in time to make necessary decisions.

Department Reports:

Police – Chief VanGundy – reported that all officers have completed their required CPT hours for the year. The Township is looking at about \$2,500 in reimbursement for the education classes. The Department has completed 496 hours of training this year.

The Chief reported that both Chris Maleski, Road Superintendent and himself, attended the ODOT preconstruction meeting for the Brookville Lake Estate project. They were notified that a bridge over the creek on south bond SR 49 is to be replaced starting November 28 and to be completed in May 2017.

Trustee Woolf again thanked Chief VanGundy and the Clay Township Police Department for fund raising efforts and the participation for the recent Veteran dinner.

Road & Cemetery – Chris Maleski, Road/Cemetery Superintendent, reported on the Pleasant Plain Issue II project. The road was bermed today, striping will be starting soon and the paving company is expected to complete the project next week. Road Superintendent Maleski does not expect to be able to get the grass seeding done until spring along with some tile to be installed.

Road/Cemetery Superintendent Maleski reported that the trucks are ready to go for winter snow work. They are also done with cemetery mowing for the year and have serviced the equipment.

Zoning Report – Zoning Enforcement Officer (ZEO) Justin Brown indicated his report distributed had all updates on activities of the Zoning Department and would entertain any questions. There were none.

Trustee Woolf reported that the county has started Brookville Lake Estates Project and will be laying the pipe next week. There will be a December 5th meeting at 2:00pm at the mobile home park for the residents and representatives from the Township are encouraged to attend.

Fiscal Officer:

Blanket Certificate and Purchase Orders were presented. Trustee Winner moved to approve as presented and Trustee Vore seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf - Yes

Fiscal Officer Limbert presented the warrants through November 21, 2016 for approval. Trustee Winner moved to approve, Trustee Vore seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

Fiscal Officer Limbert reminded the Trustees of the need of a closing meeting for 2016 and an opening meeting for 2017. New Year Day is on a Sunday this year with the holiday that following Monday. Fiscal Officer Limbert will be attending a year-end Fiscal Officer meeting on December 6th and will prepare a list of all things to be addressed at these meetings so items can be scheduled accordingly.

Unfinished Business:

Fiscal Officer Limbert presented an allocation for the refund of the recent health insurance refund received to eligible 2015 participants. After general discussion, Trustee Vore moved to prepare refund checks to all eligible 2015 participants and that his and Trustee Woolf's refund would be returned to the Township. Trustee Woolf seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

New Business

Trustee Winner presented information concerning trading in the two 721DT Grasshopper mowers for two new 721D Grasshopper mowers used in maintaining the Township's cemeteries per quote received from North Star Hardware dated November 11, 2106 in the amount of \$4,700. Trustee Winner moved to trade the mowers per the quote received from North Star Hardware. Trustee Vore seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

Trustee Winner presented information concerning adjusting the hourly rate of the road department permanent part-time position to \$15.00 per hour. Trustee Winner moved to adjust the hourly rate for the Road Department permanent part-time position to \$15 per hour. Trustee Woolf seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

Trustee Winner presented 2017 Arlington and Parish Cemetery Fee Schedule prepared with Cemetery Superintendent Maleski. After general discussion, Trustee Winner moved to

accept the 2017 Arlington and Parrish Cemetery Fee Schedule as presented. Trustee Vore seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

Trustee Winner presented Resolution 2016-045 Issue II OPWC Project Grant Agreement for the Pansing Road Widening & Resurfacing Phase II project. Trustee Winner moved to accept Resolution 2016-045 for the Pansing Road Phase II project as prepared. Trustee Vore seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

It was noted that most small projects do not completed until late October/early November. Trustee Woolf requested that Fiscal Officer Limbert encumbers monies for the 2017 project during the budget process of approximately \$41,500 for the Township's share of the cost.

Trustee Woolf presented Resolution 2016-046 for the Renewal of the City of Brookville fire and EMS contract for 2017. Trustee Woolf moved to accept Resolution 21016-046 as presented. Trustee Winner seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

Fiscal Officer Limbert will take the contract to the City of Brookville for their approval and signature before the end of the year.

Trustee Committee Reports:

Trustee Woolf reported that the Ohio Valley Regional Planning Commission is working on plans of an Old National Road Bike Trail connecting the Woolf Creek trail to the Stillwater trail. A meeting has been set to discuss "the dream" at the Aullwood Center on December 9, 2016. There also has been discussion that the trail network could tie into the Englewood Reserve. Trustee Vore and Trustee Woolf are planning to attend

Trustee Vore reported that a RFP for county-wide warning sirens RFP is to be completed in December; however, a revised draft is to be out at the end of November.

Trustee Vore updated Trustees the Farm Bureau is working with two representatives to support House Bill 398 concerning CAUV rates to revise the calculation for farmers. He will continue to report the progress of the upcoming legislation.

Trustee Vore wanted to thank to the Road and Police Department on the work on the Pleasant Plain Road project. The Road and Police Departments have kept it very coordinated while the work was being done.

Trustee Winner reported that the Pansing Road Phase II project grant was for \$396,554 and the engineer was going to start this month with plans on having the project out for bid in the April/May time-frame. Also the Upper Lewisburg Salem Road and Wengerlawn Road Issue applications have been submitted.

Trustee Winner moved to go into executive session for discussion of a legal issue with Mr. Lance. Trustee Woolf seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes

Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

Trustee came out of executive session at 6:41pm.

Trustee Vore moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Woolf seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Vore – Yes


Winner – Yes

Woolf – Yes

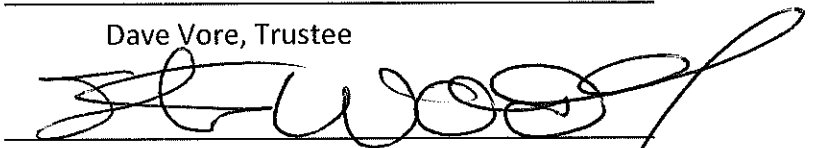
Meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.



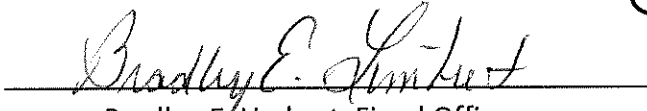
Dale Winner, Trustee



Dave Vore, Trustee



Steve Woolf, Trustee



Bradley E. Limbert, Fiscal Officer