

German Township  
Meeting Minutes  
March 11, 2014

The German Township Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. at the German Township Office at 3940 Lawrenceville Drive, Springfield, Ohio. The meeting is called into order by Mr. Rodney Kaffenbarger, President.

**Roll Call:** Mr. Clark – present; Mr. Metzger - absent; Mr. Kaffenbarger – present. Other Township Department personnel present: Mike Stitzel, Police Chief; George Degenhart, Zoning; Rosemary Naulty, Secretary; and Angela Griest, Fiscal Officer.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Fiscal Officer Report:**

Motion to approve the minutes of February 11, 2014:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the checks & EFT's February 11<sup>th</sup> through March 11, 2014:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to receive the February financial reports:

Motion: Mr. Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the payment of an invoice for \$525.00 for generator annual maintenance to Jeff Bonham electric (disperse to all 4 departments):

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the annual maintenance agreement for the fuel system with Syn-tech systems for \$495.00:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to allow Chief Holman and Mrs. Griest to attend the 2014 Ohio State Fund Worker's Compensation Seminar which is a requirement of our Worker's Comp Group Retro Rating program for \$100.00:

Motion: Mr. Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the following resolution:

*Whereas, German Township is desirous of decorating graves, conducting memorial services, and otherwise engaging in activities appropriate to the observance of Memorial Day on May 26, 2014 and,*

*Whereas, Section 307.66 of the General Code of Ohio provides that the Commissioners of a County, annually, upon request of the officials thereof, shall appropriate to "each chartered cap or post of an organization of veterans of the World War, in the County, the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00), to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial day," now,*

*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that request be and the same is hereby made of the Board of County Commissioners of Clark County that such appropriation to be made to this ORGANIZATION for the purpose herein set forth, and to be paid to:*

*ADDRESS: CLARK COUNTY VETERANS COUNCIL  
120 S CENTER ST, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
SPRINGFIELD, OHIO 45502-1204*

*No expenses for this purpose have been incurred as of this date.*

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

**Hearing of the Public:**

Mr. Argeri Lagos introduced himself. He is running For State Representative. Mr. Lagos is a property owner in German Township of the area previously owned by Frank's Nursery. Mr. Lagos informed the Trustees that he has received a letter from the City of Springfield stating they would turn off his water if he did not sign their DIA (Development Incentive Agreement). He replied to them that he would not be signing.

**Zoning:**

Motion to approve the request from Mr. Degenhart to consider Mr. Bill Wolfarth to fill the open position as an alternate on the Zoning Commission:

Motion: Mr. Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Mr. Wolfarth introduced himself, commended the Maintenance Department for their work this winter, and had a concern about litter along Upper Valley Pike near the mall area.

**Fire Department**

Mr. Kaffenbarger would like to request the Fire Department send a few people to attend a Natural Gas Training put on by Columbia Gas.

Motion to approve preventative maintenance service from Howell Rescue systems on rescue equipment \$895.00: Motion: Mr. Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to reimburse the German Township Fire Association for Fire Department uniform expenses for a total of \$1402.43: Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

The 2014 EMS Grant has been approved.

**Police Report:**

Motion to approve the changes to the German Township Police Department Parking Regulations as requested by Chief Stitzel and presented to the Trustees:

Motion: Mr. Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to move Officer Danni Hiles from auxiliary to part-time at a rate of \$12.00 per hour:

Motion: Mr. Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Chief Stitzel has received quotes for new police vehicles.

**Maintenance Department:**

Motion to approve the cost up to \$4,500 for vegetation control, post/pole sterilant, and grass growth control programs for 2014:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

The Trustees will need to check roads to decide which roads to include on the 2014 Pride Program.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer for the Great American Cleanup, please contact the Solid Waste District.

**Old Business:**

Rosemary Naulty, Office Secretary, attended a web construction seminar and shared information.

**New Business:**

Chief Stitzel wanted everyone to be aware there have been a lot of burglaries around the County and in our Township, and to be watchful of what is going on in your neighborhoods.

Motion to adjourn by: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Ayes: All

Approved by:

Board of German Township Trustees

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Rodney Kaffenbarger, President

\_\_\_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Metzger, Vice President

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Robert Clark, Member

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Angela D. Griest, Fiscal Officer