

**German Township Trustees
Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2013**

The German Township Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the German Township Office, 3940 Lawrenceville Drive, Springfield, Ohio. The meeting is called into session by Charles Metzger, President. Other member(s) present: Rodney Kaffenbarger and Robert Erlewine. Also present Angela Griest, Fiscal Officer: George Degenhart, Zoning: Mike Stitzel, Police Chief: and Tim Holman, Fire Chief.

Motion to approve the minutes of December 28, 2012:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Erlewine Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the checks for January 2013:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Erlewine Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to contract with the State Local Government Services for bank reconciliation services at a cost of \$50.00 per hour for a maximum of 100 hours:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Erlewine Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the ad for the Northwestern yearbook - ¼ page, \$120.00:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Erlewine Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to amend the December resolution for Temporary appropriations to 3.1 million instead of the 3.8 million:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Erlewine Roll Call: Ayes – all

Hearing of the Public – Mr. Steve Bevan would like to know when the lot on Saint Paris Pike where the house that was destroyed by fire will be cleaned up. Chief Holman responded that the fire department will not be able to finish burning it down for training due to EPA restrictions. Mr. Degenhart stated the house is on the county list for the Moving Ohio Grant, which will allow for the demolition of the home.

Ms. Pam McKee informed the trustees that a “Stop Ahead” sign is missing at the intersection of Johnson Road and Ballentine Pike. Concerned that people run that stop sign. Both the Police Department and Road Department will be notified.

Mr. Ty Peshek is concerned that meeting minutes of December 11, 2012 and the actual events of the meeting concerning an executive session and the appointment of the new police chief are not accurate. Trustees stated that the tape will be reviewed.

Motion to approve the following individuals to the Volunteer Fire Fighter’s Dependent Fund Board: President: Charles Metzger

Secretary: Angela Griest

Member: Robert Erlewine, Lee Sindle, Mark Lane, and George Degenhart

Motion: Mr. Erlewine 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the repairs to the police cruiser which will be paid by the insurance with a \$500.00 deductible:

Motion: Mr. Erlewine 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve the repairs to be done at Pencil’s Body Shop:

Motion: Mr. Erlewine 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Motion to approve two new police officers for auxiliary positions on the Police Department; Officers Jeffrey Steltzer and Matthew Randolph:

Motion: Mr. Erlewine 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Roll Call: Ayes – all

On March 12th through March 14th the Ohio State Attorney General's Office will be providing a free simulation training for the police department called Shoot Don't Shoot, and Defensive Driving. This is provided for by the state and will be open to all our officers and any surrounding area officers.

Chief Stitzel provided the Trustees with a report of the 2012 Police Department activities for the year. Our Police Department responded to a total of 5275 dispatched calls which averages out to 14.4 calls per day.

Mr. Metzger would like to discuss at the next township meeting the possibility of putting a new ½ mill road levy on the ballot. About 10 years ago the ½ mill road levy failed. The road funds are getting low due to the fact that we have always kept our roads in good repair. Last year we spent close to \$140,000 on road repairs. A ½ mill levy will generate approximately \$73,428.00.

Motion to approve removal of trees along Willowdale Road by Napier Tree Service for a total cost of \$550.00:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Erlewine Roll Call: Ayes – all

We received a request from the Young's Ice Cream Charity Bike Tour to use the west parking lot on July 20th and July 21st as one of their rest stops. There were no objections.

Motion to adjourn: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Erlewine Roll Call: Ayes – all

Approved by:
Board of German Township Trustees:

Charles Metzger, President

Rodney Kaffenbarger, Vice President

Robert Erlewine, Member

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Angela D. Griest, Fiscal Officer