

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
German Township Board of Trustees
Regular Session
May 12, 2015

The German Township Trustees met in a regular session on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at the German Township Office, 3940 Lawrenceville Drive, Springfield, Ohio. The meeting is called into order by Mr. Rodney Kaffenbarger, President.

Roll Call: Mr. Clark – present; Mr. Metzger – present; Mr. Kaffenbarger – present

Other Township Personnel present: Angela Griest, Fiscal Officer; Mike Stitzel, Police Chief; Mark Bevan and Dave Brown, Maintenance Department; Karina Emory, Secretary; and George Degenhart, Zoning Inspector.

Visitors: Heather Brackney, Bill Wolfarth, Steve Bevan

Pledge of Allegiance

Fiscal Officer Report:

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of April 14 and April 25, 2015:
Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes - all
- B. Motion to approve the checks issued April 14, through May 12, 2015:
Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes - all
- C. Motion to receive the April 2015 Financial Reports from the Fiscal Officer:
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Metzger Roll Call: Ayes – all
- D. Motion to approve the renewal for participation with the BWC administrator group – CareWorksComp (Frank Gates and Care Works Combined)- \$1819; and the Townships participation in the Group Retrospective Rating Program for 2016:
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Metzger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Hearing of the Public: None

Zoning Report:

Mr. Degenhart reported that the Upper Valley Mall is losing more stores due the absence of the anchor stores.

Fire Report: None

Police Report:

The 2011 Dodge cruiser was damaged. Repairs to be done at Pencil's Body Shop at a cost of \$969.40. It will be turned into the insurance company.

Chief Stitzel requests that the Sick Leave and Vacation Leave for the Police Department be reviewed, and he would like to go by the state standards. Trustees stated they needed the information to review and then will sort it out. Mr., Degenhart recommended that the Township should have a personnel manual.

- E. Motion to approve the hiring of Terrance Sanders as an auxiliary police officer:
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Metzger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Mr. Sanders was sworn in by Chief Stitzel.

- F. Motion to approve moving Officer Erica Barga to the full time position available at a rate of \$13.00 an hour:
Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes - all

The police cruisers are ready to list on Gov.Deals.

Road Maintenance Report:

Road Department is working on cutting brush in Forest Hills. There are 3 Ash trees that will need to come down on Dogwood & White Oak. They will get several estimates.

There is a collapsed drainage pipes in the Lawrenceville Cemetery proposed section that will need to be fixed or re-routed. If the pipes are buried deep enough they would not interfere with any burials. Or the

area could be incorporated as a green space. Mr. Metzger suggested having Mr. Hiles run a camera the other direction to see if any other pipes are collapsed or blocked while we have it open.

Ditching for Hominy Ridge Road will be done as time allows this summer. It was also mentioned that there are two culverts on Miller Road that need to be fixed. Mr. Metzger stated that since that road is on the paving schedule, the culverts should be repaired before the paving is done.

G. Motion to get an estimate on the two miller road single wall culverts that need to be repaired:
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Metzger Roll Call: Ayes – all

Mr. Kaffenbarger stated that Richie Brothers estimate on the value of the old dump truck with the plow and sander is about \$20,000. The trustees need to decide whether to sell it or keep it as a secondary vehicle. There have been several other entities interested in the truck.

H. Motion to sell the 1998 dump truck:
Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes - all

Old Business:

The siren that goes off at noon has been out of service due to a bad timer. It should be back in service next week.

New Business:

The Indigent Burial policy review has been tabled.

I. Motion to approve the Donnelsville Creek Church Kids Club to use the Township grassy area on June 15th:
Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – all

The Memorial Day Flags have been picked up and are ready to put out in the cemeteries for Memorial Day. There have been complaints concerning the mowing in the cemeteries. Mr. Kaffenbarger has spoken to our contracted mower concerning the matter.

National Trails is moving the Fourth of July fireworks from the fairgrounds out to the reservoir. There is a concern that the traffic situation coming and going would be congested and pose more of a safety issue than if the firework were done at the mall. The mall would have better much better access for traffic.

J. Motion to adjourn: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes: All

Approved by:

Board of German Township Trustees

Rodney Kaffenbarger, President

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Robert Clark, Vice President

Charles Metzger, Member

Angela D. Griest, Fiscal Officer