

**German Township Trustees
Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2013**

The German Township Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. at the German Township Office at 3940 Lawrenceville Drive, Springfield, Ohio. The meeting is called into session by Charles Metzger, President.

Roll Call: Mr. Metzger – present; Mr. Kaffenbarger – present; Mr. Erlewine – present.
Also present: Tim Holman, Fire Chief; Mike Stitzel, Police Chief; George Degenhart, Zoning; and Fiscal Officer, Angela Griest.

Fiscal Officer Report:

Motion to approve the minutes of: July 9, 2013; July 16, 2013; and August 6, 2013:

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

Motion to approve the checks issued July 9th through August 13, 2013:

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

Motion to receive the July financial reports from the fiscal office:

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

Motion to receive the report from the Fiscal Officer concerning the LGS Reconciliation:

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

Motion to transfer funds from the FEMA Fund 2903 received for the 2012 Wind Storm to redistribute back into the original funds as required:

General Fund 1000 - \$462.00

Road District Fund 2141 - \$1877.00

Road and Bridge Fund 2031 - \$13,642.00

Motor Vehicle License Tax fund 2011 - \$10,950.00

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

Motion to move \$40,000 from line item 2031-330-360-0000 to 2031-330-190-0000:

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

Hearing of the Public:

Sheryl Chen and Marilyn Welker, President representing People for Safe Water.

This organization was organized to help protect the water aquifer that is threatened by the Tremont Barrel Field, and Landfill. With the help of local, state, and federal elected officials they are trying to get the USEPA to reverse its decision on how to best remediate the barrel field. People for Safe Water is trying to continue the work that was started with CF Water. Information may be found online at their website, and email address. Pamphlets were distributed.

Zoning Report:

The Trustees received a thank you from Mr. & Mrs. Oakes concerning the AG Grant demolition. Mr. Degenhart reports that two of the four properties in the grant have been demolished. Two properties are still in the process.

Fire Report:

The Fire Department has 7 people going to the EMS Expo. The registration costs will be turned in on the EMS Grant for reimbursement. Chief Holman requests that the Township pay a flat rate to help cover meals. The remaining costs will be assumed by the attendant.

Motion to pay \$30.00 per day for each person attending the conference for their meals:

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

APHA Response training was held at the new Northwestern Schools. Cooperation between Township Police, other local police departments, and the Township Fire department was good. A news release concerning the joint training will be forthcoming.

The drain in front of Station 78 is plugged. The Fire Department will try to clean it out; if unable, it will have to be hired out to someone.

German Township Fire Department Cadets participated in a Cadet Challenge at the Clark County Fair. This is a contest putting cadet programs from different fire departments through challenges. Our cadets won first place for the second year in a row. Great Job!

The Fire Department is having less members responding to accidents than there have been in the past. However, those that do respond are working hard to accomplish what needs to be done. All first responders, police & fire, are working well together.

Police Report:

The Police have received a letter of complaint concerning the Anita, Delrey and Hanson areas of Westridge, wanting more traffic enforcement. The Police Department is patrolling in this area.

Motion to approve the hiring of two new auxiliary officers: Anthony Roberts and Teresa Jordan:

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

Chief Stitzel performed the swearing in of both officers.

Maintenance Report:

Mr. Kaffenbarger presented a list of three roads that need to have the ditches cleaned out: Hominy Ridge, Crescent Hill, and Greenridge; approximate total cost of \$1300.00.

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

Need to check on the expiration date of the burning permit for the Township Maintenance Department to see when it will need to be renewed.

Old Business:

Mrs. Fisher requested to see the LGS Reconciliation Report. Mrs. Griest responded that the report is available as a public record request through the secretary's office.

New Business:

Mr. Kaffenbarger spoke with Mr. Suter from the Ohio Edison Company, and they do not have any tree trimming scheduled in this area.

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