

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
German Township Board of Trustees
Regular Session
January 08, 2019

The German Township Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, January 08, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the German Township Office, 3940 Lawrenceville Dr., Springfield, Ohio. Mr. Clark called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Mr. Clark – present; Mr. Kaffenbarger - present; Mr. Metzger- present
Fiscal Officer: Angela Griest: present

Township Personnel present: Mike Stitzel, Police Chief; Tim Holman, Fire Chief; Mark Bevan, Road Supervisor; George Degenhart, Zoning Inspector; and Karina Emory, secretary

Visitors: Beau Thompson, Clark County Prosecutor’s Office; and Jill Acuff.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

A. Motion to approve the December 11, 2018 minutes:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Clark

Roll Call: Mr. Clark – yes; Mr. Kaffenbarger – Yes; Mr. Metzger – Abstain

Hearing of the Public:

Beau Thompson: Brought a proposed legal solution concerning the Mount Cemetery Old Section.

- Township to continue to pay for the maintenance of the whole cemetery
- Township keep the Bequest Fund
- Old Section remains part of the Village.

Trustees concerned about Church Hill Road, which runs through the Cemetery. Although some believe the road is part of the Cemetery, it is actually a village road. It is in very bad shape. The road cannot be included as part of the Cemetery. Village needs to repair the road.

Also, it was brought up about the recent vandalism of the stones in the Old Section of the Cemetery. Because it was in the old section, which is the Villages, the Village Police Department would be responsible for that investigation. Trustees would like the Village to repair the stones.

Trustees agreed that at this time they would not accept this resolution.

Mr. Thompson suggested that the Township could try to contract with them to mow the cemetery and to do the burials. Trustees asked him to take it back to the Village.

As a note, Mr. Metzger will be attending a meeting with Mad River Township concerning the Rector Gard Cemetery.

Fiscal Officer:

B. Motion approve payments December 31, 2018 through January 11, 2019 at \$63,331.10:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All

C. Motion to receive the December 2018 Management Reports:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All

D. Motion to approve payment of the CareWorksComp 2020/2021 Oho Workers’ Compensation Group Rating.

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All

- The Year End is closed.

Zoning Department:

Presented by Mr. Degenhart:

- A developer has put a deposit down on the Mall. There will be a meeting with current leaseholders and the current owner. There will still need to be a final appraisal.
- There has been some review for turning the Penney’s store area into a gymnasium.
- Nothing concerning Sears at this time.

Fire Department:

Chief Holman presented the following:

Kyle Artis has been to court. He pleaded to a misdemeanor. He has resigned from the fire department.

Police Department:

Chief Stitzel presented the following:

- Received the year-end status reports. Total of 3857 calls. We are down about 1000 calls this year. Does not include investigative or follow up, extra duty or special assignments.
 - Request to purchase a new computer system for the Police Department for the purchase of storing evidence photos. Current system is getting old and do not want it to crash and lose the evidence currently stored. The system will not be connected to internet for security reasons. Cost \$600. To \$800.
- E. Motion to purchase the new computer system:
 Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All
- The County asked us to join an agreement with them as a shared agency to apply for a CAD system grant. We declined. They include our numbers in their grants, and then do not share the grants with us so we do not benefit. Then we are unable to apply for grants ourselves because we were included in their numbers.

• **Maintenance Department:**

Mr. Bevan presented the following:

- Radars has finished the eeling of the ditches.
 - Westridge ditches need cleaned out.
 - Deed trees on Miller Road need removed. Quote Bucks Trees Service \$700 to cut and dispose of brush.
- F. Motion to Have Bucks Tree Service remove the trees at a cost of \$700.00.
 Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes- All
- Water on Baker Road. Need to get a quote on ditching.
 - When Radars’ ran the eel down the ditch along Willowdale, the resident at 4492 Willowdale requested to be reimbursed for what she paid to have it done prior. Estimated costs to reimburse \$200.00. Mr. Kaffenbarger stated that since we were paying to have all the ditches cleared in that row, he saw no reason not to reimburse her. Give Mrs. Griest the information
- G. Motion to reimburse the resident at 4492 Willowdale for \$200.00:
 Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Metzger Ayes- All
- Discussion concerning finding someone to contract the servicing of the Maintenance Department Trucks rather than trying to do the work in house. Need to be quick with no long waits. Mr. Kaffenbarger to make calls.
 - Need someone to help for a couple hours for flagging on Hominy Ridge Road while cutting a tree down. Trustees can help. Check scheduling times.
 - Information regarding the possible lawn mower purchase. Coleman’s could not come down on their quote. Need to review quotes. Need further discussion.
 - Mr. Clark to look into requirements for the Composting Certification.

Old Business:

- The 2018 Ohio Checkbook information will be released once the 2018 year end is closed.

New Business:

- Development Disabilities of Clark County – Update on current issues. Anyone is welcome to attend this breakfast meeting on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 from 8-9 a.m. at 2340 Van Buren Avenue, Springfield. Please RSVP.

H. Motion to adjourn: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Metzger Ayes: All

Approved by:
Board of German Township Trustees

Robert Clark, President

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Rodney Kaffenbarger, Vice President

Angela D. Griest, Fiscal Officer

Charles Metzger, Member